

## Safety Rules for Open Burning in Fire Pits and Outdoor Fireplaces

Residents of Paris ask about regulations relating to open burning in fire pits and outdoor fireplaces. The Paris Fire Department ask you to follow these general guidelines as a Burn Permit is not required for these types of fire.

Fire Pit should be no more than three feet in diameter;

The burning pile should be less than two feet in height;

Fire Pit should be at least 25 feet away from any structure and always make sure pit is on a level surface clear from vegetation and never on a wooden deck;

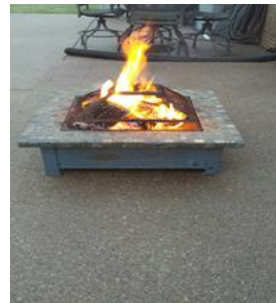
Only burn seasoned firewood that only creates a minimum amount of smoke and is not a nuisance to your neighbors;

Fire Pit must be attended by an adult at all times and have a water hose close by;

Screens should be left in place while fire is burning to prevent embers from flying and possibly igniting grass, leaves or other material.



Screen Off - Bad Fire



Screen On - Good Fire

And always make sure your fire is out when you are through with it and properly dispose of any ashes or remnants. Lots and lots of water is the easiest way to make sure your fire is out.

The Paris Fire Department encourages you to enjoy your outdoor fire pit or fireplace but as always use common sense to make your fire a safe one.