

**Fire Prevention and Protection**<sup>10</sup>  
Chapter 34

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**Sec. 34-1. Open burning in residential areas.**

Incineration or burning of waste materials, refuse, leaves, paper, and other combustible debris, outside of a building or structure in the residential areas in the Village shall be permitted if done in accordance with the following rules:

- (1) No such burning may be done within 15 feet of an existing building, nor upon the paved portion of any street; nor shall any person burn on property other than his own or that upon which he has permission.
- (2) No burning shall be done unless under the charge or supervision of a person of over 18 years of age and discretion.
- (3) No such burning shall be done at any time or place when wind conditions will create or be apt to create a nuisance to anyone or the property of anyone in the vicinity thereof, or be a danger to the property of any person in the vicinity thereof.
- (4) No burning shall be done where its maximum size is not controllable by one person over 18 years of age and discretion.
- (5) These regulations do not apply to operation of the Village compost area.
- (6) No open burning of any kind shall be done on October 30 and 31.

(Ord. No. 12-133 Eff. 1-17-17)

**Sec. 34-2. Outdoor furnaces throughout Vernon.**

- (a) **Outdoor furnaces prohibited.** No person, corporation, partnership or entity shall install, use or maintain an outdoor furnace fired by wood, corn, pellets, coal, gas or any other type of combustible material within the Village of Vernon.
- (b) **Penalties for violations.** Persons, corporations and partnerships or other entities violating this section shall be responsible for a civil infraction pursuant to section 34-4, Penalties, subject to the schedule of civil infraction fines therein established, as amended from time to time.
- (c) **Continuing noncompliance.** When persons, corporations, partnerships or entities who/ which continue to violate this section, each and every day of such noncompliance shall be deemed a separate violation hereof.

(Ord. No. 06-119, §§ II-IV, 1-18-2006)

**Sec. 34-3. Recreational fires.**

Recreational or cooking fires shall be only between 8:00a.m. and 1:00 a.m. the following day. Such fires shall burn only unprocessed wood. Recreational fires shall be permitted on private property, so long as such fire does not present a fire hazard. A recreational fire shall be constantly attended by a competent adult of 18 years or older and shall be completely extinguished before being left alone.

(Ord. No. 06-123, § 2, 9-20-2006)

**Editor's Note-Ord.** No. 06-123, adopted Sept. 20, 2006, supplied provisions to be added to the Code as § 34-2. In order to preserve the style of the Code and facilitate ease of use, at the discretion of the editor, these provisions have re-designated as § 34-3.

**Sec. 34-4. Penalty.**

(a) All penalties relative to violation of this chapter shall be civil infractions only and shall carry fines as follows:

(1) \$25.00 for a first offense;

(2) \$50.00 for a second offense within a 12-month period;

(3) \$100.00 for a third or subsequent offense within a 12-month period.

(b) Each day for which an offense is committed or is ongoing shall constitute a separate and distinct offense.

(Ord. No. 85, 7-12-95; Ord. No. 99, 2-18-98; Ord. No. 06-119, §I, 1-18-2006; Ord. No. 06-123, § 1, 9-20-2006)