

SAMPLE OF APPROVED APPLIANCES
FOR OUTDOOR FIRE PITS



Residents must use common sense to ensure the safety of our community. Please check with the Fire Department periodically during extreme heat and dry conditions to ensure a burn ban is not in effect.

Outdoor fires must be contained in non-combustible appliances that meet fire regulations.

Only seasoned wood, charcoal, or commercially fabricated logs are acceptable forms of fuel for outdoor fires.

Materials such as rubbish, garden refuse and manure shall not be burned at anytime in backyard fire pits within the City limits.

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**BACKYARD
FIREPITS**

***What You
Need
to Know***

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In the past, Kitimat Fire & Ambulance Services responded to complaints about outdoor fires, which were started in a variety of different configurations, ranging from grass piles to outdoor brick fireplaces.

Until 2009, the Fire Department requested all fires that were not in approved barbecues, be extinguished.

Backyard firepits are now permissible within the limits of the District of Kitimat.

This pamphlet has been produced to explain the regulations and guidelines controlling outdoor fires in a straight forward, easy to understand terms.



The District of Kitimat 's Bylaw #1, 2010

Backyard Fire Pit Regulation provides for residential fire pits within city limits subject to the following conditions:

- Fires must be contained within a non-combustible receptacle constructed of cement, brick or metal and no more than 1 meter in diameter.
- In Cablecar, Strawberry Meadows and Kitimaat Village Road properties fire pits shall be no more than 1.5 meters in diameter.
- Fire Pits must be a minimum of 3 meters from any dwelling, structure, fence or standing timber.
- Only cut, seasoned wood, charcoal or commercially fabricated fire place logs shall be burned in a Fire Pit.
- All fires must be supervised by an adult at all times and extinguishment capabilities be within the immediate vicinity of the pit.
- Fires are to be extinguished immediately if they are causing "an unreasonable interference with the use and enjoyment of another person's property".

- Fires will be prohibited in fire pits when the Fire Department or the Ministry of Forest has issued a Fire Ban for our area and will not be permitted until the ban has been lifted.
- Fires must be extinguished immediately if a Member of the Kitimat Fire Rescue Services, RCMP Officer or a Bylaw Enforcement Officer has directed you to do so.

The following items are not permitted to be burned in open fires within Kitimat City limits.

- Rubbish
- Garden refuse
- Plastics
- Any materials that will result in the production of dense, black smoke including:
 - Insulation from electrical wiring or equipment
 - Asphalt roofing materials
 - Hydrocarbons, plastics, rubber materials or creosoted wood.
- Any material which will generate a foul odor
- Any material classified as a dangerous goods.