

CAROLINA TRACE ASSOCIATION, INC
51 TRACEWAY
GATEHOUSE PLAZA
SANFORD, NC 27332

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Subject: Open Burning Within Carolina Trace

1. "Open Burning" is defined by the NC Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) under NC Administrative Code 15A.02D.1902 as the following

"Open burning" means the burning of any matter in such a manner that the products of combustion resulting from the burning are emitted directly into the atmosphere without passing through a stack, chimney, or a permitted air pollution control device.

2. "Open Burning" is prohibited throughout the State without an air quality permit and fines may reach \$25,000 or more. However NC DEQ has listed exceptions to "open burning" fires that require an air quality permit in NCAC 15A 02D.1903 to include:

(1). Open burning of leaves, logs, stumps, tree branches or yard trimmings, if the following conditions are met:

- (A) The material burned originates on the premises of private residences and is burned on those premises;
- (B) There are no public pickup services available;
- (C) Non-vegetative materials, such as household garbage, lumber, or any other synthetic materials are not burned;
- (D) The burning is initiated no earlier than 8:00 a.m. and no additional combustible material is added to the fire between 6:00 p.m. on one day and 8:00 a.m. on the following day; and
- (E) The burning does not create a nuisance; and
- (F) Material is not burned when the North Carolina Forest Service has banned burning for that area.

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(3) Camp fires and fires used solely for outdoor cooking and other recreational purposes, or for ceremonial occasions, or for human warmth and comfort and which do not create a nuisance and do not use synthetic materials or refuse or salvageable materials for fuel

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3. IAW Article VII Section 2.B of CTA Bylaws, Open Burning of any material is prohibited within CTA property without the express consent of the Traceway Roads and Maintenance Committee or the Executive Committee.

4. For the purpose of clarifying open burning policies within the individual Property Owners Associations (POA) the following summary list is provided:

POA	Common Property	Individual Lot
CTA	Forbidden	N/A
Eagles Nest	Not Specified	No garbage, trash or other refuse
Golf East	Not Specified	No garbage, trash or other refuse
Golf North	Forbidden	Personal grilling units and licensed welders only
Golf West	Not Specified	No leaves or refuse
Harbor Creek	Not Specified	No leaves, limbs or refuse
Hidden Lake	Not Specified	Per State Law
Highland Woods	Not Specified	No garbage, trash or other refuse
Lakewood	Not Specified	No garbage, trash or other refuse
Laurel Thicket	Not Specified	Encouraged to refrain from open burning
Mallard Cove	Not Specified	No yard waste or trash, fire pits only with permission
North Shore	Forbidden	No garbage/trash
Sedgemoor	Not Specified	No garbage, trash or other refuse
South Landing	Not Specified	No garbage, trash or other refuse
Southwind	No leaves/refuse	No leaves/refuse
Stonegate	Forbidden	Forbidden, exception: gas grills
Village at Trace	Not Specified	Per State Law
Woodfield	Forbidden	Forbidden, exception: operated charcoal grills, welding torches or implements used in construction or maintenance work.
Woodmere/ Trentwood	Not Specified	No garbage, trash or other refuse

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