

Municipality of Murrysville
4100 Sardis Rd.
Murrysville, PA. 15668
(724) 327-2100
Open Burning Permit

Name: _____ Phone _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ St. _____ Zip: _____

Address of open burning: _____

Tax Map Number: ____ - ____ - ____ - ____ - ____

Location on property that burning is to take place:

Materials to be burned:

Type of Permit: (check one)

Residential _____ Commercial _____ Land Operation / Clearing _____

Open burning is permitted Tuesday through Saturday from 8:00 A.M. until 8:00 P.M. by permit only. All burning activities after these hours are not permitted unless authorized by the Fire Code Official.

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307.2.2 Prohibited open burning. Open burning that will be offensive or objectionable because of smoke or odor emissions when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fires hazardous shall be prohibited. The fire code official is authorized to order the extinguishment by the permit holder or the fire department of open burning which creates or adds to a hazardous or objectionable situation.

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307.4 Attendance. Open burning; bonfires or recreational fires shall be constantly attended until the fire is extinguished. A minimum of one portable fire extinguisher or other approved on-site fire-extinguishing equipment, such as dirt, sand, water barrel, garden hose or water truck, shall be available for immediate utilization.

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Ordinance 697-05. Burning of leaves on residential properties in lieu of the Municipality's leaf recycling program is prohibited unless exempted by Policy 23-05 as attached.

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Signature of Property Owner

Signature of Applicant

Address of Applicant

(Office Use Only)

Permit: Approved _____ Denied _____

Fire Code Official

Permit Number: _____

Permit Fee: _____

Date

**Municipality of Murrysville
Policy No. 23-05**

**ORDINANCE NO. 697-05 ENFORCEMENT POLICY, AN ORDINANCE
LIMITING THE BURNING OF LEAF WASTE.**

PURPOSE:

To establish a policy and guidelines related to the interpretation of that which constitutes “burning as a means of disposal in lieu of compliance with Murrysville’s leaf recycling program enacted by Ordinance 673-04.” The following policy shall be employed by the Code Enforcement Officer or Fire Code Official as an interpretive in his regular administration and enforcement of Ordinance 697-05.

STATEMENTS OF POLICY:

- Ordinance 697-05 amends the International Fire Code, Section 307.2.3 (C) to exclude, from the added leaf burning limitation, “any other lawful exemption provided for in this Ordinance.” Such exemptions include burning incidental to yard waste where leaf burning is not conducted in lieu of compliance with the leaf recycling program.
- Council, as a matter of policy, recognizes the need to clarify the express intent of these provisions, namely the threshold of which constitutes burning “in lieu of compliance.”
- Therefore, Council recognizes limited leaf burning in the following situations as incidental burning of yard waste or burning which is not conducted in lieu of the recycling program:
 1. Businesses, including golf courses and gun clubs are not subject to the recycling program and are therefore effectively exempt from ordinance 697-05.
 2. Residents with handicaps which inhibit participation.
 3. Properties with frontage or access solely on private lanes where no pick-up is available.
 4. Parcels of two or more acres, where the topography or depth of which restricts the ability to place all leaves at the curb.
- The aforementioned situations shall not exempt the subject residents from compliance with other provisions of the International Fire Code or the recycling surcharge as assessed.

PROCEDURES:

This policy shall be posted conspicuously at the Municipality of Murrysville and shall be reconsidered by Council every two calendar years.

This policy shall take effect on November 16, 2005.

THIS POLICY ADOPTED AT A REGULARLY CONSTITUTED, DULY CONVENED MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MURRYSVILLE, THIS 16th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2005.

COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MURRYSVILLE

Lawrence W. Keller, Council President

Diane P. Heming, Municipal Secretary

APPROVED/REJECTED:

Joyce K. Somers
Mayor

Dated: _____

Member	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
Jack Bankoske				
Robert J. Brooks				
William T. Ferri				
Joan C. Kearns				
Lawrence W. Keller				
Dennis Pavlik				
Theo van de Venne				