## Burning Prohibitions

## General



There are several prohibitions in place with regard to all outdoor fires. The following activities are not permitted at any time on any property within the Town of Bracebridge:

#### Prohibited at all times:

- 1. Setting or permitting a recreational fire (campfire) between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
- 2. Burning grass.
- 3. Burning other than dry wood for recreational fires and natural vegetation (other than grass) for non-recreational fires.
- 4. Setting or permitting a fire that is not under constant supervision.
- 5. Setting or permitting a recreational fire (campfire) that is greater than 0.6 metres (2 feet) in size.
- 6. Setting or permitting a fire that is closer than 6 metres (20 feet) to any adjacent property.
- 7. Setting or permitting a fire of any type during periods of dry conditions, drought, high winds or when a fire ban has been declared.
- 8. Setting or permitting a fire to burn that, in the opinion of a By-Law Enforcement Officer, Fire Department Official or Police Officer, causes (through sparking, smoke or odour) discomfort, irritation, nuisance or danger to any person residing in the general area of the fire.

Open air (outdoor) burning anywhere within the geographic limits of the Town of Bracebridge is regulated and controlled by the Burning Control By-Law. Enforcement of this by-law is the responsibility of the Town's By-Law Enforcement Officers as well as the members of the Bracebridge Fire Department.

The Burning Control By-law regulates outdoor burning on every property within the Town of Bracebridge. The by-law makes an important distinction between the central urban areas of Bracebridge (fire zone 1) and the outlying rural areas (fire zones 2, 3 and 4).

### **Contact Information**

This informational brochure has been prepared for general information only. For specific information, please refer to the entire Burning Control By-Law at:

#### www.bracebridge.ca

If you have any questions about the bylaw, please contact the By-Law Enforcement Branch at the:

#### Town of Bracebridge

1000 Taylor Court Bracebridge, ON P1L 1R6 Canada

telephone: (705) 645-5264 administration fax: (705) 645-1262 fire department: (705) 645-8258

## Open Air (Outdoor) Burning In Bracebridge

Important Information For Residents, Cottagers and campers



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# Violations And Consequences

# Fires For Cooking and Warmth

### Slash Pile Fires

Any person setting or permitting an open air (outdoor) fire in Bracebridge that violates any section of the Burning Control By-Law will be required to immediately extinguish the fire when directed to do so by a By-Law Enforcement Officer, Fire Department Official or Police Officer. In addition to a minimum fine of \$300.00 being issued for each violation under the by-law, the Fire Department may extinguish the fire with all associated costs for personnel and equipment being billed to the property owner.

If you have any questions about the Burning Control By-Law or require fire zone confirmation, please review the entire by-law and map at: www.bracebridge.ca

If you are unable to access the by-law or have additional questions, please contact the Town of Bracebridge By-Law Enforcement Branch at (705) 645-5264.



Between the period of April 1st and October 31st each year, recreational open air fires are permitted in all four fire zones between the hours of 6:00p.m. and 8:00a.m. only. No daytime burning is permitted for recreational fires.

Under no circumstances may recreational fires be used to burn yard waste including leaves, pine needles, grass or green wood. Recreational fires must be fuelled by dry wood only and must be supervised at all times. There must be an immediately accessible and adequate supply of water and tools available to extinguish the fire at all times. Recreational fires are not permitted when a fire ban has been declared.



A slash pile fire involves the burning of natural materials such as brush, trees, yard waste and vegetation (other than grass) including leaves. Slash pile fires are only permitted in fire zones 2,3 and 4 (rural areas) between the period of November 1st and March 31st only. No slash pile fires are permitted between the period of April 1st to October 31st. As with campfires, slash pile fires must be supervised at all times and there must be an immediately accessible and adequate supply of tools and water available to extinguish the fire if necessary. Slash pile fires are not permitted when a fire ban has been declared.