

Village of Slinger

Incorporated 1869
Washington County

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Slinger, Wisconsin 53086



Slinger Utilities

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OPEN BURNING PERMIT

Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____

Date of Application _____

*** Permits (\$10) are good for 1 year from date of application.**

Address Where Burning _____

Applicant's Signature: _____

Chapter 56-10

E. Materials that may not be burned. Unless a specific written approval has been obtained from the Department of Natural Resources, the following materials may not be burned in an open fire, furnace, stove or any other indoor or outdoor incineration or heating device:

- (1) Rubbish or garbage, including but not limited to food wastes, food wraps, packaging, animal carcasses, paint or painted materials, furniture, composite shingles, construction or demolition debris or other household or business wastes or recyclable or yard waste as defined in Village Ordinance 412-18.
- (2) Waste oil or other oily wastes except when in a waste oil heating device for energy recovery subject to the restrictions in the state building code and manufactures listing.
- (3) Asphalt shingles which includes any and all products containing asphalt.
- (4) Treated or painted wood, including but not limited to plywood, composite wood products or other wood products that are painted, varnished or treated with preservatives.
- (5) Any plastic material including but not limited to nylon, PVC, ABS, polystyrene or urethane foam, and synthetic fabrics, plastic films and plastic containers.
- (6) Rubber including tires and synthetic rubber-like products.
- (7) Newspaper, corrugated cardboard, container board, office paper and other materials that are recyclable must be recycled in accordance with the Village recycling ordinance.
- (8) Leaves, weeds, grass clippings, brush, and other vegetative debris.

F. **General Prohibition of Burning.** Open Burning, Outdoor Burning, and Prohibited Fuel Burning are prohibited within the Village of Slinger unless the burning is specifically permitted by this ordinance, or a burn permit has been issued prior to such burning.

(1) All allowed open burning shall be conducted in a safe nuisance free manner, when wind (not to exceed 12 mph as reported by the US Weather Bureau in Milwaukee) and weather conditions are such as to minimize adverse effects and not create a health hazard or a visibility hazard on roadways or railroads. Open burning shall be conducted in conformance with all local and state fire protection regulations.

(2) Except for barbecue, gas and charcoal grills, no open burning shall be undertaken during periods when either the Fire Chief or the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources has issued a burning ban applicable to the area.

(3) Fires set for prairie or wildlife habitat management may be allowed with a permit and the approval of the local municipality (644-5265) and Fire Department (644-5331). Open burning of brush, trees or other vegetative debris may be allowed on agricultural, conservancy or other undeveloped land if conducted in accordance with other applicable provisions of this section.

(4) Small bonfires for cooking or recreation are allowed without permit provided that the fire is confined by a control device, structure or other device specifically designed for that use such as a firepit, masonry barbecue pit, chimineas or similar device or as approved by the municipality and the Fire Department. The maximum open burn area is 33 inches in diameter or six square feet. All of the above must have a screen to prevent sparks from becoming readily airborne and a cover which fits and encloses the entire opening to ensure all hot embers are confined. Small bonfires are allowed only if approved by and in accordance with the above provisions and all other provisions in this code.

(5) In emergency situations such as natural disasters burning is prohibited unless specifically approved by the Village of Slinger.

(6) Open burning under this section shall be conducted only following issuance of and in accordance with a permit issued by the Village of Slinger.

(7) Small bonfires for cooking or recreation that are not contained in an outdoor permanent or portable fire permit may be conducted with a permit at a location not closer than 25 feet from the nearest building, accessory structure, fence, deck or any other combustible surface. Any open burning of this type shall be constantly attended and supervised by enough competent persons of at least 18 years of age; this includes the time from ignition until the fire is extinguished. These persons shall have readily available for use such fire extinguishing equipment as may be necessary for the total control and extinguishment of the fire, i.e., a garden hose that is connected and charged, five-gallon buckets of water or other suitable extinguishing method.

(8) Ceremonial fires (permit required) under this section shall not be greater than five feet in diameter and wood being burned is not greater than three feet high and shall only be conducted at a location not closer than 50 feet from any building, accessory structure, fence, deck or any other combustible surface. Any open burning of this type shall be constantly attended and supervised by enough competent persons of at least 18 years of age; this includes the time from ignition until the fire is extinguished. These persons shall have readily available for use such fire extinguishing equipment as may be necessary for the total control and extinguishment of the fire, i.e., a garden hose that is connected and charged, five-gallon buckets of water or other suitable extinguishing method.

(9) No materials may be burned upon any street, curb, gutter or sidewalk.

(10) No materials may be burned on the ice of a lake, pond, stream or body of water without prior approval from the Department of Natural Resources, the Village of Slinger and the Fire Department.

H. Burning permits.

(1) No person(s) shall start or maintain any open fire without a burning permit unless the burning activity is specifically permitted by this section.

(2) All ceremonial fires require a permit and such fires shall comply with all other applicable provisions of this chapter.

I. Liability. Any person(s) starting or maintaining an outdoor fire will be held financially responsible for all fire suppression costs and any other liabilities resulting from damage caused by such fire, including all costs related to emergency personnel and equipment response.