

Suffield Township Fire Department

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This is a copy of a letter given to residents when a burning complaint is logged with us.

We are here due to a complaint that was received about your open burning. The Akron Regional Air Quality Management District is the enforcing agency pertaining to all types of open burning in our township. The attached brochure contains the regulations that apply in Suffield Township. Please specifically remember the following:

We are considered to be "Outside a village or city"

(A) No person or property owner shall cause or allow open burning in an unrestricted area except as provided in paragraphs (b) to (c) or this rule or in Section 3704.11 of the Revised Code.

(B) Open burning shall be allowed for the following purposes without notification to or permission from the Ohio EPA:

(1) Cooking for human consumption

(2) Disposal of residential waste or agricultural waste generated on the premises if **all** of the following conditions are observed:

(a) The fire does not create a visibility hazard on the roadways, railroad tracks or air fields;

(b) The fire is located at a point on the premises no less than **1000 feet** from any inhabited building not located on said premises;

(c) The wastes are stacked and dried to provide the best practicable condition for efficient burning; and

(d) No materials are burned which contain rubber, grease, asphalt or liquid petroleum products.

If you have any questions concerning these regulations, or wish to report someone for illegal open burning, please contact the Air Quality Control Office at 330-375-2480.

Please note that if we are requested to respond to a *second* substantiated illegal open burn at this address, we will forward the complaint directly to the Air Quality Control Office.