



**West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection**  
**Division of Air Quality**  
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**Approval to Conduct Open Burning**  
**(Land Clearing Debris Only)**

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Town: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Location where burning will occur: Street/Road: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Lat/Long Coordinates: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Person in charge of burning operation: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone number where this person can be contacted during all burning activity: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Distance to nearest residence (or off site business): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Description of material to be burned: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approval for open burning is hereby requested for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ days beginning \_\_\_\_\_  
 subject to the following conditions:

1. No trash, asphaltic, rubber or plastic materials are to be burned.
2. No construction or demolition debris is to be burned.
3. There is no practical alternative disposal method for the materials to be burned.
4. Vegetation to be burned must be thoroughly dried (at least 10 days) and must have been grown on the premises of the home, farm, or site of land clearing operation.
5. Burning must be conducted during daylight hours only. Fires must be completely extinguished and not allowed to smolder overnight.
6. Give careful consideration to the effects, or potential effects, on other people or property. Time of day, proximity, type of materials, wind direction and other weather conditions have a bearing on the effect to others.

**In addition this approval is subject to the conditions checked below:**

- No trunks, limbs, or stumps over 8 inches in diameter (before splitting) are to be burned.
- A pit burner must be used for burning all vegetation at this site. Setup and operation of the pit burner must be in conformance with manufacturer's specifications.
- Permit must be obtained from the Division of Forestry during forest fire season (March 1 – May 31 and October 1 - December 31) to burn during hours of 7 a.m. and 5 p.m.

**Note that the Division of Forestry also requires all combustible materials to be removed for at least 10 feet from material to be burned and that someone attend the fire at all times.**

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Approval by: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: (304) 926-0499, Extension \_\_\_\_\_  
 Fax: (304) 926-0479 Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Municipal Fire Departments should also be contacted to determine if any additional requirements are to be met. (In Charleston: 304-348-8137, fax: 304-348-0731).

- Approval required in accordance with Section 3.1.C.3 of 45 CSR 6.

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