

Galveston Fire Department 1000.15 Open Burning Policy

Fire Chief _____

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By City Ordinance, opening burning is not permitted within the city limits without approval by the Fire Marshal. Any time a complaint is received regarding an open fire, we respond and must extinguish the fire unless the fire has been permitted by the Fire Marshal and does not violate any guidelines set forth by the Fire Marshal.

The Fire Marshal has developed an Open Burning application. This application is available in the Fire Marshal's Office. You will find the application attached to this policy for your review.

Citizens, who request information about open burning within the city limits, shall be referred to the Fire Marshal's Office. When a permit is issued for an open burn, the applicant will be required to contact the Fire Marshal's Office, the On Duty Battalion Chief and Dispatch prior to burning. In the event that you respond to an open fire and are presented an opening burning permit, the Company Officer will need to determine whether the fire is in accordance with the permit. If it is not, the fire shall be extinguished. If there is any question as to the need to extinguish, contact the on call Fire Marshal for guidance.