

Regulation II

Rule 205 – Fire Training Burn Permit



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A. APPLICABILITY

A *Fire Training Burn Permit* is required for the open outdoor burning of materials, buildings, or structures if the burning is being conducted for the purpose of the instruction of personnel in the methods and safety procedures of fire suppression, as determined by the APCO. [HSC §41801]

1. **Asbestos Survey:** Applicants for a *Fire Training Burn Permit* must have a full asbestos survey of the structure(s) prepared by a certified asbestos consultant subject to APCO approval. All asbestos containing materials must be abated by a certified abatement company prior to the training burn to the satisfaction of the APCO. [40 CFR 61 Subpart M]

B. APPLICATION

Applicants for a *Fire Training Burn Permit* shall provide the District with the following information using District approved forms.

1. Content:

- a. Responsible party for the proposed burn;
- b. Burn site address or location;
- c. Identification and description of the type of material, building, or structures proposed to be burned;
- d. Asbestos survey and evidence of full abatement;
- e. Statement from the sponsoring fire official identifying the training benefits of the proposed burn;
- f. Evidence that public notification, as required by the APCO, has been completed;
- g. Acknowledgement by written signature of the applicant that the information supplied on the forms is true and correct;
- h. Written authorization from the property owner to conduct the burn;
- i. Property owner name, mailing address, and phone number; and
- j. Statement certifying that the information provided by the responsible party is true and correct and that they have permission from the property owner to conduct burning.

2. **Smoke Management Plan:** The applicant shall submit to the District at the time of application, a *Smoke Management Plan* prepared in accordance with Rule 206.

- a. Notwithstanding Section 2.2 of this Rule, a *Smoke Management Plan* is not required for the burning of any structure less than 100 square feet in area, or for a quantity of material which does not exceed one ton.

C. REVIEW and DECISION

Upon receipt of an application for a *Fire Training Burn Permit*, the APCO will determine whether all the necessary information has been supplied. In the event of missing or incomplete information, the application will be considered incomplete and the applicant will be notified and given the opportunity to resubmit.

The APCO will deny an application for a *Fire Training Burn Permit* which does not meet the requirements of applicable District Rules and Regulations. If in the judgment of the APCO, the open burning described in the application cannot reasonably be conducted without creating a hazard or nuisance, the permit will be denied.

D. PERMIT

A separate burn permit is required for each training event. A *Fire Training Burn Permit* issued pursuant to this Rule shall have a limited term which shall be specified in the permit.

E. BURN AUTHORIZATION and NOTICE

- 1. Authorization:** Prior to ignition of materials pursuant to a *Fire Training Burn Permit*, the Permittee performing the burning shall obtain authorization from the APCO no earlier than 48 hours before any ignition. Once authorized, burning pursuant to the *Fire Training Burn Permit* may proceed regardless of burn day status on the day of the burn unless otherwise specifically prohibited by the APCO.
- 2. Notice:** The Permittee shall provide notice to the public to the satisfaction of the APCO. Notice may include but is not limited to the following: newspaper, placards, other signage, radio, television, flyers, etc.