

# Cloudcroft Fire / Rescue

## APPLICATION FOR OPENING BURNING

Property Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street/PO City State Zip

If different from above, location of burning: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Piles: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ and/or \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Tons/Acre  
Total Maximum per day total Maximum per day

Type of Fuel \_\_\_\_\_

Has the location been prepared to control the burn? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Distance to Adjacent Property: \_\_\_\_\_

Has suitable fire protection been provided? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Does burn have the potential to impact a smoke-sensitive area? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, what is the type and name of sensitive areas identified? \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**This application has been received by Cloudcroft Fire Department and is  
APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_ DENIED \_\_\_\_\_ for the following reasons:**

Does \_\_\_\_\_ Does not \_\_\_\_\_ Conform to NMED Air Quality Regulations 20.2.80  
Does \_\_\_\_\_ Does not \_\_\_\_\_ Conform to NFPA 1, requirements for open burning.  
Does \_\_\_\_\_ Does not \_\_\_\_\_ Conform to fuel type requirements.  
Does \_\_\_\_\_ Does not \_\_\_\_\_ Conform to requirements for fire protection.  
Does \_\_\_\_\_ Does not \_\_\_\_\_ Conform to requirements for separation from adjacent property.  
Other \_\_\_\_\_

This Permit is approved for the following dates: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

And is subject to the conditions set forth in 20 NMAC 2.60 and the following conditions.

Requirements: All burning must take place during the time period of one hour after sunrise to one hour before sunset. Winds must not take excessive smoke over roads or toward human habitation. All burning must cease if atmospheric conditions create smoke stagnation or a dangerous condition which may spread the fire (ie. Red flag condition) Material to be burned must be dry and the amount of dirt on material to be burned must be minimized. No natural or synthetic rubber or petroleum products may be burned. Otero County Sheriff's Department must be notified at the start of the burn and upon completion. The burn MUST be attended at all times. The burn attendee must have public communication on their person during the burn (ie. Cordless phone, cell phone) The property owner and the individual conducting the burn will be held legally and financially accountable for any fire spread or damage resulting from the burn.

The department reserves the right to cancel this permit at any time if the public interest warrants it. The holder of this permit is therefore cautioned and charged that he/she alone assumes full responsibility to exercise the utmost care and judgment before igniting fires. Cloudcroft Fire Department hereby disclaims any and all liability of itself or it's agents that might be incurred by the petitioner's acts.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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# **“OPEN BURN GUIDELINES”**

- 1. MUST HAVE VALID BURN PERMIT ON SITE AND APPROVED.**
  
- 2. WHEN ATTEMPTING TO BURN THE FOLLOWING NOTIFICATIONS MUST BE MADE:**
  - CALL CLOUDCROFT FIRE / RESCUE DEPARTMENT (575 430 3473)
  - CALL OTERO COUNTY DISPATCH FOR NOTIFICATION (575 437 2210)
  
- 3. PILE SIZES SHOULD BE LIMITED TO 4' h x 4' w x 2' h. YOU CAN ADD WOOD AND SLASH AS NEEDED ONCE THE PILE HAS BURNED DOWN. BUT MUST BE OUT BEFORE NIGHTFALL.**
  
- 4. NEVER LEAVE THE BURN PILE. IF FOUND UNATTENDED IT WILL BE EXTINGUISHED AND A FINE MAY INCUR FROM VILLAGE ORDINANCE 8-4-3 “Fire Code - Penalty”.**
  
- 5. NEVER BURN TIRES OR SYNTHETIC MATERIALS.**
  
- 6. THINGS YOU MUST HAVE ONSITE: A FORM OF COMMUNICATION (PHONE, CELL PHONE, ETC.) , WATER SOURCE, SHOVEL, HOE AND OR A RAKE.**
  
- 7. TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION POTENTIAL WEATHER CONDITIONS THE DAY BEFORE YOU BURN; WATCH THE NEWS AND *CALL BEFORE YOU BURN!!!* RED FLAG DAYS ARE STRICTLY ..... NO BURN..... !**

**Thank you for being careful !!**

## CHECK LIST FOR OPEN BURNING

	YES	NO
<b>Burn consists of no more than 10 acres or 1000 cubic feet of piles material per day.</b>		
<b>Is burn at least 20 feet from neighbors' property line?</b>		
<b>Is the material to be burned as dry as practicable?</b>		
<b>Is the material free of paper, plastic and other trash?</b>		
<b>Has the Sheriff's Department been notified?</b>		
<b>Are burn times within limits?    ½ hour before dawn and ½ hour after dusk</b>		
<b>Will the burn be attended at ALL times?</b>		
<b>Will you be using the minimum amount of fuel to start the fire? #2 Diesel is recommended. No gasoline.</b>		
<b>Is the appropriate communications available?</b>		
<b>Is the burn at least 30' from structures?</b>		
<b>If recreational, is burn at least 25' from structures?</b>		
<b>Conditions that could result in fire spread toward structures have been corrected.</b>		
<b>Is the appropriate fire protection equipment in place?</b>		
<b>Special considerations:</b>		