5.4 Illegal Burn

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These SOPs/SOGs are based on FEMA guidelines FA-197

1.0 PURPOSE

Purpose:
The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance on incidents involving unauthorized burning within the City of Oak Point.

2.0 SCOPE

This SOP/SOG pertains to all personnel in this organization.

3.0 POLICY/GUIDELINES & INFORMATION

Policy:
Open burning is allowed in the City of Oak Point permitted it is a legal burn day and legal hours of the day. City of Oak Point residents are not currently required obtain a permit issued by the City.

Procedures

- Response to unauthorized burning will be made as an emergent
- Locate the burning site
- Determine if the burning is legal
- Contact the property owner or person responsible for the burning
- If necessary extinguish the fire
Authorized Burning:

- The following are the perimeters for approved burning activities as defined by the Denton county Fire Marshal’s Office:
  - Commercial cooking devices
  - Outdoor fire places
  - Chimeneas (<60”)
  - Fire pit with cover in place
  - Camp fires
  - Ceremonial fires
  - Cooking fires
  - Commercial trench burning (Only permitted by the Fire Marshal’s Office)
  - Between Dawn and Dusk

Unauthorized Burning:

- Burning illegal materials
- Uncontained fires
- When a burn ban is in effect
- When not a burn day
- Before dawn or after dusk
- Without adequate water supply to extinguish fire
- Unattended burn or fire