

Town of Sutton Residential Open Burning Season 2024

Opening brush burning in Sutton will begin on January 15^{th} , 2024 and end May 1^{st} , 2024. Permits may be obtained online beginning on Monday, January 15, 2024. Please visit the Departments website at www.suttonma.org/fire-department to obtain a permit. The fee is \$10.00.

The following regulations are required to be followed based upon the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Fire Regulations and the State Department of Environmental Protection 310 CMR 7.07. Failure to comply with these regulations will void your permit application for the remainder of the burning season.

- 1. Burning will only be allowed during times set forth by the State Department of Environmental Management. No permits will be issued or authorized on windy days or when poor atmospheric ventilation conditions exist.
- 2. Fires cannot start before 10 a.m. and must be extinguished completely by 4 p.m. on days when burning is allowed by the state.
- 3. Only brush, cane, driftwood and other forestry debris may be burned.
- 4. The following materials are not allowed to be burned at any time: grass, leaves, hay, whole trees, stumps, trash, building materials, and garbage. No exceptions!!
- 5. Only materials, which are generated on the site, can be burned with a permit on the site. Vegetation cannot be brought into a site to be burned. No commercial land clearing operations will be allowed.
- 6. Burning cannot take place within 75 feet of a dwelling.
- 7. A garden hose with water pressure or water buckets must be at each site capable of extinguishing the fire.

As required by the Opening Burning Law, from time to time a local or state fire official may stop by at a permitted fire for inspection purposes; we want everyone to have a safe burning season.

On the day that you intend to burn, please check online at www.suttonma.org/fire-department after 9:00 AM to see if burning is allowed that day and activate your permit.

If you require any additional information, please feel free to call us at (508) 865-8737 during normal business hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 4:00pm

