



## *Borough of Dumont, New Jersey*

### ***FIRE DEPARTMENT - BUREAU OF FIRE PREVENTION***

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## ***Approved Outdoor Fire***

### Classification

An approved outdoor fire is classified as any fire taking place on a residential property within the Borough of Dumont for the sole purpose of providing warmth or recreation, and is contained within an approved device.

### Approved Devices

Approved devices include: commercially manufactured chimineas, outdoor fireplaces and fire pits, with a total fuel area not exceeding three (3) feet in diameter and two (2) feet in height.

### Type of Fuel

Only seasoned fire wood, natural gas or propane may be used as fuel for outdoor fires.

### Location

Outdoor fires cannot be located within twenty (20) feet of any property line and within fifteen (15) feet of any combustible structure. Combustible structures include: dwellings, garages, sheds, decks and fences. No such fire or approved device may be used on any porch, deck, balcony, or any other portion of a building; within any room or space; or under any building overhang.

### Screening

All openings in the container or fire pit must be covered with wire mesh or other screening materials that will prevent the passage of sparks or embers.

### Nuisance

The fire chief, fire official or any other code enforcement department within the Borough of Dumont may order any chiminea, outdoor fireplace or fire pit, which unreasonably interferes with the health, safety or welfare of neighboring residents or properties, to be immediately extinguished.

### Apartments and Multi-family Dwellings

Outdoor fires are prohibited at any R-2 (N.J.A.C. 5:70-4.1) Use Group (apartments and multi-family dwellings).

#### Extinguishment

Fires must be constantly attended until the fire is extinguished. A garden hose or fire extinguisher shall be located within 10 feet of the approved device.

#### Enforcement

Any outdoor fire not complying with the above is prohibited. Any person who violates any provision of this section shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$250. A separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during or on which a violation occurs or continues.