AGRICULTURAL/PRAIRIE
BURN
APPLICATION and REQUIREMENTS

Definition: A controlled burn for disposing of growing form material that originated on agricultural property or property classified as prairie.

Agricultural/Prairie Burn Permit Applicants shall comply with the following requirements before a permit may be issued.

1. Only growing form wood or brush may be burned.
2. Burning shall be done on clear days with calm winds from sunrise to sunset.
3. No processed wood, building materials, or rubbish shall be burned.
4. Burning will be allowed twice a year, in the spring and the fall.
5. Permit shall be valid 30 days from issuance.
6. Applicant shall notify Dubuque Dispatch by phone each day prior to burning. Applicant shall call the non-emergency number 589-4415 for notification.
7. Open burning shall not take place within 50 ft. of any combustibles or structures.
8. Open burning shall be constantly attended until fire is extinguished.
9. A burn plan and map of the affected area shall be submitted as part of the permit application.
10. At least one bonded and qualified fire management specialist shall be present for agricultural and prairie land burns within ¼ mile of the nearest inhabitable structure of neighboring property.

Applications shall include the following information:

1. Name of landowner/tenant.
2. Address of landowner/tenant
3. Phone number
4. Location of burn
5. Burn plan and map

Permit Fee: None required

Special Conditions:

Fire may be extinguished at any time the Fire Department deems necessary due to a hazardous condition that creates a fire danger. Weather and atmospheric conditions may be a factor. The permit will be considered suspended by the issuance of a County Wide Burn Ban as mandated by the State Fire Marshal, throughout the duration of the burn ban.

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