

Newton Fire Department Burning Permit Application

(Allow 3 Business Days for reply)

Please complete all fields, read the requirements and acknowledgement and affirmation below then click the submit button at the bottom of this page. A Burn Permit will be emailed to you for you to print or you may pick up at the Newton Fire Department. The person conducting the burn must be in possession of the permit during the burn. This permit applies to all incorporated areas of Newton, Iowa ONLY. A violation of this permit is a municipal infraction punishable upon conviction as set forth under the subsections of the Newton Municipal Code Section 1.0109. This permit, once approved, is valid the dates assigned to the permit.

Type of Burn: (required)

- Landscape Waste (Example: Trees, Tree Trimmings, Branches, Stumps, Brush, Weeds Shrubbery and Yard Trimmings)
- Commercial Operation (Example: Clearing, Grubbing and Construction Operations)
- Diseased Trees
- Flare Stacks (Compliant with applicable state Department of Water, Air and Waste Management)
- Annual Incinerator Permit

Location of Burn: (required)

Address/Location: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Type(s) of materials to be burned: _____

Date(S) of burn: _____

Applicant Information:

Applicant FULL Name (required): _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____ (Contact Phone Number)

Driver's License Number (required): _____

Email Address: _____

(Commercial Operation Information)

Contractor Information: (If same as applicant, enter SAME.)

Contractor Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____

BURN PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

By accepting a permit, you agree to abide by the following requirements:

1. I am in legal control of the lot or parcel of land herein described or have permission from the person with legal control of the lot or parcel of land herein described.
2. A competent person of legal age will attend burning continuously from the time of ignition to the time of extinguishment.
3. Burning will not be permitted if the wind speeds exceed 15 miles per hour.
4. Burning shall not create a smoke nuisance or hazard to neighboring properties or Persons. Precautions shall be taken to assure confinement, intensity, and size of said burn.
5. Burning of ANY HEAVY smoke-producing material is strictly prohibited. Per Iowa State regulations), burning of tires, pallets, railroad or bridge lumber, any treated lumber, plastics or rubber is illegal. When burning wood products only, "clean wood" shall be burned.
6. A garden hose or other fire extinguishing equipment shall be available at the burn location.
7. The person doing the burning will be in possession of this permit during the burn for immediate inspection by authorities.
8. Starting fires with combustible or flammable liquids is prohibited unless special permission is obtained from the City of Newton Fire Marshal's Office. Using gasoline or other ignition liquids in this manner is extremely dangerous!

It is mandatory that the permit holder call the Jasper County 9-1-1 dispatcher by telephone prior to conducting a permitted burn, notifying them of location and permit number. Jasper County 9-1-1 does not authorize any burning but simply gathers information on open burns called in for the day. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to check current weather conditions for wind speeds and other atmospheric conditions. You are required to abide by all of these codes and laws as well as those listed herein. A violation of this permit is a municipal infraction punishable upon conviction as set forth under the subsections of the Newton Municipal Code Section 1.0109.

Acknowledgement and Affirmation

By submitting this online application I do hereby make application for a permit to conduct a burning operation in Newton, Iowa pursuant to the authority contained in Title 3, Chapter 25 of the City of Newton Code of Ordinances.

I understand that the Fire Chief or his designated representative has the authority to revoke or cancel this permit and can require extinguishment of the burn. I hereby absolve the City of Newton and the Newton Fire Department from any responsibility from damage which may be caused to any person or to property by reason of the permitted burn, arising from any act or acts of myself, my agents, employees or subcontractors and shall release and forever discharge, and shall save and hold harmless, The City of Newton, The Newton Fire Department and their agents and employees; administrators, successors, contractors, sub-contractors and officers from each and every right and claim which I may hereafter have on account of damages to my (or the property owners) property or any other persons property resulting from any incident, occurrence or activity arising from the permitted burn and from liability of any nature or kind connected with the permitted burn, operations or work performed hereunder arising out of any negligent or willful act or omission of any person/entity or of any employee or agent of that person/entity to the degree such indemnification is allowed by law. I hereby affirm that the information I have provided is true and correct.

I have read the burn permit requirements of this application and reviewed and understand Title 3, Chapter 25 City of Newton Code of Ordinances regarding Fire Prevention and Protection. I agree to comply with all rules, regulations and requirements of Newton Fire Department and the State of Iowa.

Signature