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Residents of Brigus who wish to light “backyard fires” are reminded of Provincial Regulations and Council’s expectations. The [NL Forest Fire Regulations](#) under the [Forestry Act](#) requires:

- If in an outdoor wood burning unit, the unit must be entirely of non-combustible materials; the unit completely contains the fire and is screened to prevent the escape of sparks or other burning material; and must rest on legs or supports and is placed on mineral soil or non-combustible material having a surface area of not less than 1.5 metres, and not less than 3.5 metres from the nearest woods, brush or other flammable material.
- If in a “drum type” container [generally considered an incinerator unit], the unit completely contains the fire and is screened to prevent the escape of sparks or other burning material; is located on private property and not less than 15 metres from the nearest woods, brush, or other flammable material. The unit must be in good working order and an attendant is on site if the fire index is high, very high or extreme. All incinerator ash must be totally extinguished before being discarded on mineral soil not less than 15 metres from nearest woods, brush or other flammable material.

Notwithstanding these provincial requirements, the Town expects residents to be aware of and respect Provincially mandated bans while they may be put into effect from time to time as conditions warrant; Please use caution and awareness of such variables as wind speed and direction along with respect for (possible effects on) neighboring properties.

Stay Safe.