

Sec. 38-5. - Open burning of yard waste.

(a) *Burn days.* It shall be lawful to burn landscape waste on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Landscape wastes are defined as grass, shrubbery, leaves, tree limbs and all other vegetation.

(b) *Hours of burning.* It shall be lawful to burn landscape wastes from between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and sunset on the burn days set out in subsection (a) of this section.

(c) *Boundary limitations.* The burning of landscape wastes shall not be conducted within 15 feet of any structure.

(d) *Burning on public streets and sidewalks.* Burning of landscape wastes is forbidden on any city street, alley, sidewalk or avenue, as set out in [section 42-38](#) and in [chapter 78](#) pertaining to streets, sidewalks and other public places.

(e) *Attendance of open fires.* When burning landscape wastes all fires shall be attended by a competent person until such fires are extinguished. The person attending such fire shall have a garden hose connected to a working water supply or other fire extinguishing equipment readily available for use as long as the fire has not been extinguished.

(f) *Fire chief.* The fire chief may prohibit any or all such fires when atmospheric conditions or other local circumstances make such fires hazardous. Prohibitive burning shall be communicated by a dedicated phone line. The dedicated phone line shall be maintained and housed by, and at the fire department. Residents should call before burn.

(g) *Complaints.* The police department will handle all complaints regarding such fires. The minimum fine shall be \$50.00, and the maximum fine shall be \$500.00.