

Rules on Control Burns Non-Agricultural

1. Permittee Shall Call Dispatch Center @ 785.483.2121 or Russell County Emergency Management @ 785.483.5100 to get Burn Permit Application. Burn Permit number may be issued by Russell County Emergency Management with approval by District, Township or City Fire Chief. After Burn permit is issued and rules to burn are followed on the date of burn, Permittee shall contact Russell Communications Dispatch Center @ 785.483.2121. Permittee shall give name, location of controlled burn (address preferred and legal description), contact phone numbers and Burn Permit number. Dispatch will advise if weather and Rangeland Fire Index criteria are met for that day. No controlled burns are allowed after sundown or when smoke will be across roadways. All Kansas State Regulations 28-19-645, 28-19-646, 28-19-647, 28-19-648 must be obeyed.
2. **Weather**
 - Wind shall be forecasted to be less than 15 mph throughout the burn period.
 - Rangeland Fire Index shall not be in the High or above range.
3. **Training:** County Fire School on CRP Prescribed Burns is recommended
4. **Equipment required to be on hand depending on size of burn:**(See number 7)
 - A. Hand sprayer w/minimum 2 ½ gallons water and/or,
 - B. No less than 100 gallon portable water supply and the equipment to deliver it at least 10 gpm or ¾” garden hose hooked to hydrant capable of delivering 25 gpm.
5. **Out of Control Burns: If guidelines are not followed**, the person in charge of the burn, whether or not they have a permit, shall pay for the fire run as follows:
 - \$250.00 per Fire Department and/or Emergency Response Vehicle that responds to help extinguish the fire
 - \$9.00 per hour for each Firefighter and/or Emergency Responder that assists in extinguishing the fire.
6. ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS WILL BE ON HAND AT THE DISPATCH CENTER LOCATED AT 339 EAST 8TH, RUSSELL, KANSAS AND RUSSELL COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT LOCATED AT 850 ELM STREET, BUNKER HILL, KANSAS 67626.
7. Size of burn will be considered due to the differences between trash barrels, trash pits, different sizes of brush piles, bon fires, etc. Additional information for management burning is available at the Russell County Extension Office at the Russell County Courthouse.