

PARRYVILLE BOROUGH
ORDINANCE NUMBER 96-3

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF PARRYVILLE, CARBON
COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, REGULATING OUTDOOR FIRES

The Borough Council of the Borough of Parryville, Carbon County, Pennsylvania, hereby ordains as follows:

SECTION I - PURPOSE

This Ordinance is enacted in the interest of the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Borough of Parryville for the regulation of outdoor fires and to eliminate nuisances caused by smoke, cinders and ashes.

SECTION II - FIRES IN PUBLIC PLACES

No person or persons shall set or maintain any fire upon any of the streets, public alleys, sidewalks or public grounds in the Borough of Parryville, except that nothing herein shall prohibit the use of fireplaces and other cooking facilities placed in any public park by the Borough for the purposes for which such facilities are intended.

SECTION III - FIRES ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

Outdoor fires shall be permitted upon private property within the Borough, provided that the following regulations and restrictions are strictly adhered to:

A. Every such outdoor fire shall be built in and confined to a noncombustible container covered with a screen of one-half inch, or smaller, mesh or with other noncombustible covering.

B. No such outdoor fire shall be closer than fifteen (15) feet to any building or structure or ten (10) feet to any property line.

C. Outdoor fires may be kindled and maintained only between the hours of 7:00 o'clock a.m. and 7:00 o'clock p.m. All outdoor fires must be tended at all times until the fire is out.

D. The burning of garbage, vegetable waste, rubber, plastics, furniture, glass, metals, crocking, car products or any other materials which will create nauseous or noxious fumes, smoke, toxic chemicals or excessive fly ash is specifically prohibited.

E. The burning of brush, dry grass or leaves is permitted during the hours set forth under Section C above.

F. It shall be lawful to burn paper and other refuse material that is readily combustible, and will not create nauseous fumes, noxious smoke, or excessive fly ash during the hours set forth under Section C above.

G. Charcoal or gas grills or wood fires kindled for the purpose of outside barbecues shall be permitted at all times.

H. Fireplaces within a private residence are permitted for the purpose of providing heat or for use as a barbecue, but in no event shall garbage, rubbish or trash be burned in a fireplace.

I. The burning of large brush piles or grass areas for the purpose of clearing land shall be permitted provided the Borough's Fire Department is contacted in advance and advised of such plans so that the Fire Department may be aware of the location of said land and be able to stand by in case of an emergency.

J. All controlled burns must be reported to the Carbon County Telecommunications Center prior thereto.

SECTION IV - BURNING BANS

The Fire Chief of Parryville Volunteer Fire Company No. 2 shall have the authority to declare a ban on any outdoor fire during any period of drought or other period of fire danger. The Fire Chief shall advertise the imposition and duration of any such ban in a newspaper of general circulation and by notification to the Carbon County Telecommunications Center.

SECTION V - VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES

Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof before a District Magistrate, be subject to a fine of not less than ten dollars (\$10.00) nor more than three hundred dollars (\$300.00) and to payment of the costs of prosecution.

SECTION VI - REPEALER

All other Ordinances or Resolutions, or parts of Ordinances or Resolutions, to the extent that they are inconsistent herewith, shall be and are hereby repealed.

DULY ENACTED AND ORDAINED, this 5th day of January, 1996, by the Council of the Borough of Parryville, Carbon County, Pennsylvania, in lawful session duly assembled.

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF PARRYVILLE

Martha Wentz
Martha Wentz, Secretary

Donald A. Smith
Donald Smith, President

AND NOW, this 5th day of January, 1996, the above Ordinance is approved.

Robert H. Bashore
Robert H. Bashore, Mayor