

THERE IS NO NEED TO BURN
LEAF BURNING IS NOT NECESSARY

All you need to do is put your leaves to the curb if you live in unincorporated Frankfort Township. Leaf burning is **prohibited** if you live in the Village of Frankfort, Village of Mokena or the Village of Tinley Park. Check with your local villages for leaf programs.

Unincorporated Will County does has a burn ordinance, however, let's be good neighbors and be considerate to each other. For your reference, attached is the Will County Code of Ordinance Chapter 93 pertaining to nuisance fires.


By abstaining from burning leaves this will ensure the health, safety and welfare of our residents. Leaf smoke contains many dangerous chemicals such as, carbon monoxide and benzopyrene. The smoke from burning leaves can irritate the eyes, nose and throat of healthy adults, small children, the elderly and people with asthma, emphysema or other lung or heart diseases.




Frankfort Township Highway
Commissioner Bill Carlson loading
the leaf vacuum.

The Frankfort Township Highway Department fall leaf pick up service will start as leaves begin to fall and will end at the first measurable (plowable) snow fall. Please rake your leaves into piles along the road edge/curb. Leaves put into bags or any type of container will not be picked up. Our trucks will be out on a daily basis, when needed, but every street in the Township will not be picked up every day. Leaf pickup for Frankfort Township Highway Department will end in the spring.

Respectfully,


James G. Moustis
Township Supervisor


Bill Carlson
Highway Commissioner

Section 93.017 PERMIT REQUIRED

Waste materials of any nature shall not be disposed of by burning on the premises or in the immediate vicinity without having obtained a permit from the state E.P.A.

Section 93.018 LOCATION OF FIRES

Fires shall be located not less than 50 feet, unless otherwise specifically provided for herein, from any neighboring structure with adequate provision made to prevent spreading of the fire. Legitimate recreation fires shall be located not less than 50 feet from any neighboring structure. Burning in right-of-way is strictly prohibited.

Fires contained in a "patio wood-burning unit," being a chimney, patio warmer, or other portable wood-burning device used for outdoor recreation and/or heating shall be at least 15 feet from any neighboring structure.

Section 93.0185 RECREATION FIRES

Recreation fires, being fires used to entertain or cook, may burn sticks, limbs, logs, charcoal, cooking, or camping fuel only. Recreation fires may not exceed an area dimension of six feet by six feet. In conformance with Section 93.017 above Waste Materials including but not limited to; garbage, trash, refuse, lumber, building materials, or tires shall not be burned in recreation fires.

Section 93.019 FIRES TO BE ATTENDED

All fires shall be constantly attended by a competent person until such fire is extinguished. This person shall have a hose connected to a water supply or other fire extinguishing equipment ready for use. This person shall be responsible for notifying the local fire department before starting the fire.

Section 93.020 EXCEPTIONS

Section 93.017 does not apply to the burning of leaves, branches or bushes originating on owner's property. Section 93.017 also does not apply to controlled burns for agricultural purposes, habitat reclamation, firefighter training.

Section 93.021 NEIGHBORING STRUCTURE

Neighboring structure means any and all buildings of adjacent land owner(s) whether structured on a foundation or mobile, including but not limited to houses, garages, sheds, pole barns.

Section 93.022 WASTE MATERIAL

Waste Material means all substances liquid, semi-solid or solid other than, leaves, sticks, logs, branches and bushes originating on the owners property, charcoal and cooking or camping fuel.