

13.05 BANNING AND/OR REGULATING THE USE OF FIRE, BURNING MATERIALS AND FIREWORKS DURING THE EXISTENCE OF EXTREME FIRE DANGER.

1. Declarations of Emergency. When there occurs a lack of precipitation, there may exist an extreme danger of fire within the Town of Beloit which may affect the health, safety and general welfare of the residents and constitutes a state of emergency. It is hereby found that the regulation of fires, burning materials and fireworks is necessary and expedient for the health, safety, welfare and good order of the Town of Beloit during said emergency.
2. Regulation of Fires, Burning Materials and Fireworks. Pursuant to [Section 166.23](#), Wis. Stats., and when a burning state of emergency is declared, it may be ordered that a person may not:
  - a. Set, build or maintain any open fire, except:
    - i. Charcoal grills using charcoal briquettes, gas grills or camp stoves on private property; or
    - ii. Charcoal grills using charcoal briquettes, gas grills or camp stoves in Town parks placed at least twenty feet (20') away from any combustible vegetation.
  - iii. Throw, discard or drop matches, cigarettes, cigars, ashes, charcoal briquettes or other burning materials while outdoors except into a noncombustible container that does not contain combustible material.
  - iv. Light or ignite a flare, except upon a roadway in an emergency.
  - v. Light, ignite or use anything manufactured, processed or packaged solely for the purpose of exploding, emitting sparks or combustion for amusement purposes, including fireworks, firecrackers, bottle rockets, caps, toy snakes, sparklers, smoke bombs or cylindrical or cone fountains that emit sparks and smoke, except in displays authorized by the Town where adequate fire prevention measures have been taken.
3. Period of Emergency.
  - a. The periods of emergency for which this ordinance shall be in effect shall be during such periods that Rock County, Wisconsin is under Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources emergency fire regulations banning outdoor smoking and campfires.