Winnebago County Ordinance No. 15

Open Burning Notification

Title: An ordinance to enhance and coordinate fire protection in the county by requiring the public to notify county officials in advance of any open burning, with certain exceptions. Violations to be classified as simple misdemeanors.

Section 1. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to enhance and coordinate fire protection in the county by requiring the public to notify county officials in advance of any open burning, with certain exceptions.

Section 2: Notice Required. No person, firm or corporation shall kindle or burn any building or other structure, farm land, pasture including CRP acres or other rural ground or woodland without first notifying the Winnebago County Communications Center and the nearest local fire chief prior to burning.

Section 3. Exceptions. Nothing in this ordinance shall be deemed to apply to the use of an outdoor fire for cooking, recreation or normal yard waste.

Section 4. Penalty. Any person, firm or corporation violating this ordinance is subject to a fine of \$100 or 30 days in jail for each offense, and each day on which a violation occurs or continues shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

Passed by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors on the 11^h day of May 1999 and this 18th day of May 1999.

Adopted May 18, 1999.

WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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