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BONFIRE REQUIREMENTS

- 1) A bonfire shall not be more than 10' in diameter, and the ground within the perimeter should be as bare as possible.
- 2) Bonfire wood will be piled no more than 8' high in a way that it will collapse toward the center as it burns.
- 3) The material used for the bonfire will be dry seasoned wood or non-treated lumber. No treated wood, trash or debris shall be used
- 4) A crowd barrier shall be set up at no less than 50' from the perimeter of the bonfire.
- 5) There shall be no less than a 50' distance between the bonfire perimeter and any roadway.
- 6) There shall be no less than 150' distance between the bonfire perimeter and any structures.
- 7) The site shall have a suitable entrance for emergency vehicles which is subject to the approval of the Fire Marshal.
- 8) Once the materials are stacked for the bonfire, it should remain under watch so that non-approved items are not added and/or ignited deliberately prior to the event.
- 9) The bonfire once ignited should be monitored by a minimum of two representatives from the organization requesting the event. They shall be recognizable and ensure that no additional or hazardous items get thrown into the fire and that no spectators get within 50' of the perimeter of the fire.
- 10) Bad weather, high winds, unruly crowds, or burn bans will give cause for the on-scene Fire Inspector to cancel the event.
- 11) The bonfire will be ignited at a predetermined distance by an ignition option that has been approved by the Fire Marshal prior to event. The on scene fire standby crew or Fire Inspector is permitted to ignite the bonfire on request as long as the appropriate materials are on site and prior Fire marshal approval is obtained.

- 12) No accelerants shall be used on the bonfire to light it or revive it without prior Bureau approval and/or approval from the on-scene Fire Inspector.
- 12) An Indian River County Fire Rescue Fire Prevention special events permit is required for any bonfire which shall be obtained a minimum of 30 days prior to the event.
- 13) An Indian River County Fire Rescue Fire Prevention Bureau Inspector will need to ensure that all the criteria have been met a minimum of 2 hours prior to the event.
- 14) An Indian River County Fire Rescue Engine and Fire Inspector will be dedicated throughout the event at the cost of \$150 /hour as an exclusive event.

I _____ Name printed

at _____ Address

have read the above requirements and acknowledge that the permit can be revoked for any of the reasons above.

Contact phone number(s) _____

Permit number _____

Signature

Date

Fire Marshal

Date