



2024

Village of Sherman

Open Burning of Landscape Waste

In an effort to continue to provide a clean air environment for its residents, the Village Board adopted an ordinance in 2008 to ban burning of all materials, garbage, grass, litter, recyclable materials, construction materials and other substances within the Village limits except for "Landscape Waste" as provided by Village Ordinance. (Village Ordinance 2008-06 & 2010-09)

Authorized Burn Dates for the Periods

March 1, 2024 through April 30, 2024
September 15, 2024 through November 30, 2024

March 2024

Wednesdays: 6, 13, 20, 27
Saturdays: 2, 16
Sundays: 3, 17

October 2024

Wednesdays: 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
Saturdays: 5, 19
Sundays: 6, 20

April 2024

Wednesdays: 3, 10, 17, 24
Saturdays: 6, 20
Sundays: 7, 21

November 2024

Wednesdays: 1, 13, 20, 27,
Saturdays: 2, 16
Sundays: 3, 17

September 2024

Wednesdays: 4, 11, 18, 25
Saturdays: 7, 21
Sundays: 8, 22

Every Wednesday on the Dates noted above

AND

First & Third Saturday/Sunday OR Dates noted above

Times allowed to burn > 9AM until Sunset on Dates noted above

VILLAGE OF SHERMAN OPEN BURNING INFO SHEET

What Can You Burn

Landscape Waste is defined in the ordinance as any vegetable or plant refuse, except garbage and agricultural waste. The term includes trees, tree trimmings, branches, stumps, brush, weeds, leaves, shrubbery and yard trimmings. The term specifically excludes grass.

When Can You Burn

Months: March 1st thru April 30th (inclusive) & September 15th thru November 30th (inclusive)

Days: Every Wednesday and on the first and third Saturday/Sundays of permitted months.

Times: 9:00 a.m. until sunset.

Restrictions and Conditions:

- Airspeed shall be 14mph or less for burning to be permitted.
- Landscape waste to be burned shall be dry to the touch.
- Fire must be supervised at all times by a legally competent adult until completely extinguished.
- Water hose must be connected to a water source and shall be accessible within 15' of the fire.
- All coals/ashes must be extinguished before the adult supervising the fire may leave the area.
- No burning is permitted within 20 feet of any adjoining property vehicle or residence.
- Waste shall be burnt on the premises on which waste was generated.
- Burning shall be conducted when atmospheric conditions will readily dissipate contaminants.
- No burning may create a visibility hazard on paved streets or railroad tracks.
- No burning is permitted on public paved streets, alleyways, easement or drainage ditches.
- No fire may be permitted to smolder after the end time for burning.
- No burning shall be conducted on Veterans Day or Halloween Day.
- No burning shall be conducted in burn barrels.
- The Village President is authorized to modify the dates if necessary.

Ordinance does not apply to:

- The Village of Sherman and its employees while acting within their scope of employment.
- Contractors working on behalf of the Village.
- Outdoor grills while in use for the preparation of food.
- Recreational fires built in a fire pit, fire ring or constructed of rocks or other similar non-Combustible material. Fuel for these type of fires shall consist of seasoned, dry firewood and shall be ignited with paper or kindling. The recreational fire must be supervised at all times by a legally competent adult. The fire must be extinguished prior to the person supervising the fire leaves.
- Any professional 18-hole golf course conducting business within the Village.
- Any fire district/department serving all or any part of the Village.

Note:

- Supervisor shall extinguish the fire promptly should conditions change that it is not appropriate to burn anymore.
- Any person or entity violating any provision of this Ordinance shall be subject to a fine or penalty in the sum of \$50 for the first violation, \$100 for the second and \$500 for the third and any subsequent violation. In addition, all costs of and expenses incurred by the Village or any other agency responding to the violation shall be paid.

Ordinance available on-line at www.shermanil.org or by contacting Village Hall at (217) 496-2621 or email at info@shermanil.org