## **CAMPFIRE/RECRATIONAL FIRE GUIDELINES**

Definition: Permanently improved places of habitation are homes or cabins that are fixed in place and the area surrounding the structure is improved and the vegetation modified to mitigate fire danger and where running water is present.

## **Guidelines:**

Campfires must be contained within a pit 18 inches deep into mineral soil absent of roots or any other organic materials, or a ring made of solid noncombustible material that is at least 18 inches in height that will contain the fuel, wood, or coals while shielding the ashes from being blown by the wind. Maintain 18-inch depth of the pit by removing built up ash and other materials; assure disposed of materials are completely extinguished. Aboveground store bought fire pits when used to manufacturer specifications are also allowed.

Fires must be at least 25 feet away from any combustible vegetation or structures, vertically and horizontally. Fire resistant vegetation as part of the landscaping is excluded. If dispatch center receives calls on the fire you may be requested to put it out. Fire fuels must be contained in the pit and must be no larger than three feet in diameter and two feet tall.

- One competent person, 18 years of age or older, must attend the fire at all times.
- Ten gallons or more of water must be dedicated and immediately available on-site for fire suppression. (During level 1 fire restrictions running water is required.)
- In cabin areas at least one standard sized shovel must be dedicated and immediately available on-site for fire suppression.
- Fires must be completely extinguished and cold to the touch when not attended.
- Persons responsible for escaped or unattended fires are subject to prosecution, fines, loses to others and suppression costs.

## **Recreational Fire Pit Guidelines**

