INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE / JOHNSON COUNTY KANSAS OPEN BURNING REGULATIONS

IFC Sec. 105.6.31  An operational permit is required for the kindling or maintaining of an open fire or a fire on any public street, alley, road, or other public or private ground. Instructions and stipulations of the permit shall be adhered to.

IFC Sec. 307

**General.** A person shall not kindle or maintain or authorize to be kindled or maintained any open burning unless conducted and approved in accordance with this section.

**Authorization.** Where required by state or local law or regulations, open burning shall only be permitted with prior approval from the state or local air and water quality management authority, provided that all conditions specified in the authorization are followed.

**Prohibited Open Burning.** Open burning that will be offensive or objectionable due to smoke or odor emissions when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fires hazardous shall be prohibited. Items such as petroleum products, tires, tarpaper, aerosol cans, and treated lumber shall not be burned. A person shall not conduct burning operations during periods when surface winds exceed 15 miles per hour. The code official* is authorized to order the extinguishment by the permit holder or the fire department of open burning, which creates or adds to a hazardous or objectionable situation.

**Location.** The location for open burning shall not be less than 100 feet from any structure, and provisions shall be made to prevent the fire from spreading to within 100 feet of any structure.

**Attendance.** Open burning, bonfires or recreational fires shall be constantly attended until the fire is extinguished. Approved on-site fire-extinguishing equipment, such as dirt, sand, water barrel, garden hose or water truck, shall be available for immediate utilization.

**Duration of Permit.** Shall be for same day, dawn to dusk, unless otherwise stipulated by the issuing Fire District Officer.

Violation of the conditions of this permit may result in a Class I Infraction with a standard fine of $500.00.

*Fire Department Officials have full and complete authority.