

Mass DEP

Agricultural Burning Regulations

Agriculture is defined as those practices involved with producing crops or raising livestock for commercial food purposes on an area larger than one acre. Agricultural Burning is limited to those activities associated with the normal pursuit of agriculture and include, but are not limited to fruit tree pruning, disease control of infected beehives, agricultural land clearing, disposal of fungus infected elmwood or dead raspberry stalks.

ALL OF THE REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO RESIDENTIAL OPEN BURNING APPLY TO AGRICULTURAL BURNING

with the following exceptions:

Agricultural burning is allowed year-round as permitted by the local Fire

Chief

AND

Agricultural fires can be started 2-hours after sunrise

ALL AGRICULTURAL OPEN BURNING PERMITS ARE APPROVED SOLELY BY THE LOCAL FIRE CHIEF.

CONTACT YOUR LOCAL FIRE CHIEF FOR MORE INFORMATION.