



About Burning



Before you burn something, think about whether it can be: recycled, reused, chipped or put into the composter.

If you absolutely have to burn, do it in the afternoon, and only if the venting index is 55 or greater. Check your local venting index number after 4:00 p.m. at:

www.weatheroffice.pyr.ec.gc.ca/wxhealth/smoke/forecast_e.html?Smoke=YLW

When you do burn, make a small, hot fire so that you will produce as little smoke as possible.

These items should **never** be burned because they release toxic air pollutants

- plastics
- foam
- gloss paper
- coloured paper
- oil containers
- tires
- rubber
- tar paper
- paint cans
- railway ties
- treated lumber
- painted wood
- varnished wood
- wood stained with oil and/or grease
- wood sprayed with pesticides
- wood from salt water
- green wood
- wet wood
- leaves
- particle board
- pressboard
- plywood
- cardboard

Check your local bylaws for rules about burning.

