Request for Exemption to Air Pollution Control Regulation No. 4 - Open Fires
For Burning Agricultural Material on Farms

Farms may apply for a permit from DEM for open burning of agricultural material, i.e. brush piles, for weed abatement or pest control and when no alternative practical method of disposal is available, in accordance with Air Pollution Control Regulation No. 4 - Open Fires. Burning by resident homeowners on property owned by them where there is no commercial, industrial or salvage activity does not require a state exemption.

To apply for a permit to burn agricultural material on farms:

- Request a site visit by DEM Division of Agriculture: (401) 222-2781, ext. 4516
- Contact fire chief of district for approval
- Completed form below should be returned to: Ted Burns, Supervising Air Quality Specialist, Division of Air Resources, Department of Environmental Management, 235 Promenade Street, Providence, RI 02908

Local ordinances must be adhered to for open burning. Issuance of burn permits could be restricted during some periods. Typically burn permits are issued November to March.

Air Pollution Control Regulation No. 4 can be found in its entirety on the DEM web site in the Air Resources regulations section at: http://www.dem.ri.gov/pubs/regs/index.htm#Air
Questions about these regulations may be directed to: DEM/Air Resources, (401) 222-2808.
Note: Burning by resident homeowners on property owned by them where there is no commercial, industrial or salvage activity does not require a state exemption.

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To be completed by applicant

APPLICANT NAME:________________________________ PHONE NUMBER:__________________

ADDRESS:__________________________________________ TOWN:______________________

PROPERTY OWNER:__________________________________________________________________

LOCATION OF PROPERTY (give address & any other information needed to determine location):
_________________________________________________________________________________
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LOCATION OF BURN:   FARM_______

EXEMPTION REQUESTED:    WEED ABATEMENT_______ PEST CONTROL_________
                           LACK OF ALTERNATIVE DISPOSAL METHOD_______

EXPLAIN:________________________________________________________________________
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INSPECTOR:__________________________________________ DATE:_______________________

FINDINGS:________________________________________________________________________
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To be completed by fire chief of district

TOWN OR CITY:___________________________ FIRE DISTRICT:_________________________

FIRE CHIEF OF DISTRICT:__________________________ PHONE NUMBER:_________________

ADDRESS:________________________________________________________________________

APPROVAL OF FIRE CHIEF (signature):__________________________ DATE:_____________