

# BEAUMONT

## Installing a Fire Pit?



**The City of Beaumont Land Use Bylaw establishes the regulations regarding the construction and use of Fire Pits, Barbecue Structures and Outdoor Fireplaces (Including Chimeneas) on a residential property within the City of Beaumont.**

Fire pits, barbecue structure or outdoor fireplaces (including clay pot Chimeneas) shall only be used for the purpose of confining an outdoor fire for cooking, warmth or entertainment.

These structures require a development permit from the City of Beaumont and can be obtained at the City Office. (Please check current year Fees and Charges for cost)

Please submit with your application a sketch showing the following:

- your lot and the location of all buildings, trees/shrubbery, decks and fences;
- the proposed location of your fire pit including distances from all combustible materials;
- fire pit dimensions;
- and indicate whether it is a fire pit (portable or permanent), a barbecue structure or an outdoor fireplace (including clay pot Chimeneas).

The following regulations shall apply:

1. Fire pits, barbecue structures or outdoor fireplaces shall be located a minimum of 10 feet (3.1m) from anything combustible (including buildings, fences, trees etc).
2. They shall be located on the site in an area that takes into account the normal wind direction to prevent smoke from bothering the neighbours.
3. There shall be no burning of grass, weeds, leaves, garden refuse, tree limbs, garbage or similar materials in a fire pit, barbecue structure or outdoor fireplace.
4. They shall be at all times attended by the property owner/occupant (when in use) who will be held responsible for any damage and costs resulting from the use of a fire pit, barbecue structure or outdoor fireplace.
5. They shall be made of base and sides that are non-combustible.
6. Fire pits shall be no greater than 32" (81.2cm) in diameter and a minimum of 12" (30.5cm) deep and there shall be a fire screen to contain sparks over the fire at all times while burning (for example, a spark arrestor mesh screen of ¼" (7mm) expanded metal or equivalent).
7. Outdoor fireplaces (including Chimeneas) may be placed on a concrete patio and shall be located a minimum of 10 feet (3.1m) from anything combustible. They may not be located on decks.

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