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## **BURN PERMIT APPLICATION AND PAYMENT NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE**

**FREDERICK, MD** – The Frederick County Health Department's Environmental Health office is excited to announce that the application process for burn permits can now be completed completely online at [Health.FrederickCountyMD.gov/BurnPermit](https://Health.FrederickCountyMD.gov/BurnPermit).

The process begins when a community member submits an application for a burn permit. Health Department staff review and approve the application and then send the applicant an email with a link to pay. The fee for a burn permit is \$15. When payment has been received, health department staff email the burn to the applicant within a couple of hours. Community members can also still apply for burn permits in person or by mail.

The health department encourages community members who are applying for a burn permit for the first time to call 301-600-1717 to ensure that the property is eligible for a burn permit **before** applying online.

All permits are valid from Jan 1 to May 31 and September 1 through December 31. There is a burn ban for Frederick County from June 1 through August 31. A new permit is required at the start of each new year.

"We are happy to be able to offer an online application process after hearing feedback from the community," said Alicia Evangelista, Program Manager for Community Services in Environmental Health, "We hope this updated option makes obtaining a burn permit user-friendly and efficient. This has already greatly decreased the time it takes for approved applicants to receive a permit"

For questions, please call 301-600-1717 or visit [Health.FrederickCountyMD.gov/BurnPermit](https://Health.FrederickCountyMD.gov/BurnPermit).

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