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As a reminder that effective from March 16, 2016 to May 15, 2016, NYS has burning ban in effect. This means that there is to be NO OPEN BURNING in NYS. This includes burning barrels, which are not permitted at any time during the year, burning of brush or grass.

Allowable Burning:

- Campfires less than 3 feet in height and 4 feet in length, width or diameter are allowed.
- Small Cooking fires are allowed
- Fires cannot be left unattended and must be fully extinguished.
- Only charcoal or clean, dry, untreated or unpainted wood can be burned in campfire application
- Ceremonial or celebratory bonfires are allowed.
- Farmers are allowed to burn only organic agricultural wastes on site where they are grown or generated including brush or wood products by clearing fields. The fire must be located on contiguous agricultural land larger than 5 acres and the materials capable of being fully burned in a 24 hour period. Absolutely NO burning of pesticides, plastic or other non-organic material.

To report DEC Environmental law violations call 1-800-TIPP DEC (1-800-847-7332)