

BURNING WASTE IS ILLEGAL!

Burning waste in your home or business is illegal and has a significant negative impact on the local environment and may also affect your health.

Did you know?

- It is illegal to burn household, garden or commercial waste either inside or outside any part of a house, garden or premises.
- Use of waste burners or other devices for burning household, garden or commercial waste is illegal.
- Burning of waste in stoves or any device attached to a chimney or flue, without a licence from the Environmental Protection Agency, is illegal.
- It is illegal to burn waste from all gardens, parks and cemeteries.

Until January 1st 2016 burning of agricultural waste is permitted under certain strict conditions:

However it is preferable to mulch, or compost tree trimmings/ bushes or arrange to take them to your local recycling centre where they are turned into compost – further information at www.limerickrecyclingcentres.ie.

- All timber suitable for firewood should be removed from the Agricultural Vegetation.
- With written permission and only as a final measure, it is permissible for farmers to burn 'green' waste, that is - wood, trees, tree trimmings, leaves, brush and other natural waste generated by agricultural practices:

FARMERS MUST

- Apply to their local authority for written permission to burn 'green' agricultural waste.
- Complete and submit a written declaration to the local authority
- The application will be considered and a letter of permission issued if appropriate.
- Please allow 5 working days for the issue of letter of permission.
- Ensure you follow all instructions given on the letter as the local authority carries out regular inspections to ensure compliance with legislation.

