

# Chapter 33 Burning, Open

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[HISTORY: Adopted by the Village Board of the Village of Holmen 10-10-1985. Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES  
Solid waste — See Ch. 155.

## **§ 33-1. Burning trash in barrels.**

No person shall burn any trash in barrels within the Village limits of the Village of Holmen.

## **§ 33-2. Other burning materials. [Amended 7-13-2006 by Ord. No. 7.06]**

No person shall burn along streets or burn brush, leaves, or other trash in their yards. Campfires are allowed as long as the fire is contained in a manufactured freestanding fire pit, ring or pit not to exceed three feet in diameter. Fire pits that are dug into the ground should be lined on the outside of the pit with gravel, brick, concrete or rock to prevent the spread of flames across the ground. All fire rings or pits should be placed at a safe distance from any structure or combustibles, such as houses, garages, sheds, wood piles and wooden fences. Only natural firewood cut in short lengths less than two feet may be burned.

## **§ 33-3. Definitions.**

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

**BURNING** — Setting to fire of materials in the yards or along streets within the boundaries of the Village of Holmen.

**TRASH** — Includes all materials such as paper, wood and refuse that are being discarded.

## **§ 33-4. Violations and penalties.**

- A. Any person violating any provision of this chapter shall upon conviction thereof forfeit not less than \$50 nor more than \$500 for the first offense and not less than \$100 nor more than \$1,000 for the second and subsequent offenses within a period of one year and in the event of default in such payment shall be imprisoned not more than two days for the first offense and not more than 10 days for the second and subsequent offenses within one year, such imprisonment to be in the La Crosse County Jail. [Amended 10-12-2000 by Ord. No. 1.00; 5-11-2006 by Ord. No. 5.06]
- B. Each day of violation of this chapter shall be deemed a separate violation and shall be prosecuted as such.
- C. Any person(s) violating any provision of this chapter shall also be responsible for the cost associated with fire suppression for prohibited burning as listed under Chapter 33 of the Code of the Village of Holmen. Cost shall be determined by the Holmen Area Fire Chief and approved by the Village Board. A statement will then be submitted for payment. If said statement is not paid in full within 30 days thereafter, the Village Clerk shall enter the charge in the tax roll as a special tax against said lot or parcel of land, and the same shall be collected in all respects like other taxes upon real estate. [Added 1-10-2002 by Ord. No. 1.02]