

## **Montgomery County**

Department of Environmental Protection Energy, Climate and Compliance Division 2425 Reedie Dr., 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Wheaton, MD 20902



## Agricultural Burning General Permit

This permit is issued pursuant to Montgomery County Code Chapter 3 and the Code of Maryland Regulations 26.11.0

Permit Effective Date: December 18, 2024 Permit Expiration Date: January 17, 2025 ECCD Permit # 20242737

This permit authorizes:

Name:	Edie Chalk
Address:	22200 Whites Ferry Road, Dickerson, MD 20842
Cell #	301-318-7934

To burn agricultural debris as described herein which includes the property listed by the Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation number 03-00037884. The property is owned by Edith A & Steven G Chalk. Access to the property is by entering the driveway at 22200 Whites Ferry Road, Dickerson.

This permit is subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Burning is prohibited during the period from June 1, through August 31 of each year.
- 2. It is prohibited to burn any of the following materials: ordinary household waste, construction or demolition debris, barnyard refuse, lumber, and materials which produce dense smoke when burned, including, but not limited to tires and roofing materials.
- 3. Prior to ignition of the fire:
  - a. Call Montgomery County Customer Service at 240-777-0311 to provide a "day of burn notice for permit number 20242737",
  - b. Call Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Services at 240-683-6520 to provide a "day of burn notice for permit number 20242737."
- 4. The burn must not cause a hazardous condition or air pollution nuisance.
- 5. Burning may not be done within 500 yards (1,500 feet) of one or more occupied buildings, or heavily traveled public roadways.
- 6. A fire supervisor, 18 years of age or older, must be within direct view of the fire at all times.
- 7. When burning is in progress, this permit and fire extinguishing equipment, including water in sufficient quantity to extinguish the fire, must be readily available on site.
- 8. Designated representatives of the Department of Environmental Protection shall be granted access to the property at reasonable times for the purpose of determining compliance with this permit.
- 9. No fires may be started prior to 7:00 a.m. nor may materials be added to the fires after 4:30 p.m.
- 10. There may be no burning on weekends or holidays recognized by the Montgomery County Government unless specifically authorized by Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection.
- 11. Fire control laws or regulations of other governmental agencies must not be violated.

- 12. You may not burn if winds are forecasted to be greater than 12 mph for your ZIP Code area as reported by the NOAA National Weather Service Forecast at <a href="http://www.nws.noaa.gov/">http://www.nws.noaa.gov/</a>.
- 13. You may not burn when the Governor or the Secretary of the Maryland Department of the Environment declares an air pollution episode.
- 14. You may not burn when NOAA declares a "red flag" warning. "A red flag warning means that critical fire weather conditions are either occurring now or will shortly. A combination of strong winds, low relative humidity, and warm temperatures will create explosive fire growth potential." Weather information may be found at: <u>http://www.nws.noaa.gov/</u>.
- 15. You may not burn during a temperature inversion, when the ground temperature is lower than the air mass above it. Fog is an indication of a temperature inversion. The burn may not occur when fog is forecasted or present. Weather information may be found at: http://www.nws.noaa.gov/.

If weather conditions change during the burn, you are required to act to mitigate the nuisance conditions.

## Violations of any condition of this permit or any laws or regulations will constitute cause for revocation of this permit and fines of \$500 per violation, per day may be imposed.