

Environmental Services
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Bonfires on allotments

It is always preferable to compost as much allotment waste as possible. It is environmentally friendly and will provide you with free garden compost.

We appreciate that you may have allotment waste that is non-compostable and so you may need to have a small bonfire. If this is the case then we ask you to remember the following:

You may only have a bonfire between the 1st October and 31st March.

Burning is not environmentally friendly, can be harmful to health and can also be annoying to neighbours; don't have a fire when the wind is blowing towards surrounding houses.

Make sure the ground and the items to be burnt are dry so as to avoid the fire smoking.

Always have a hot, quick fire. Only burn on your own plot, do not light fires for others.

Never leave your fire unattended & never leave the allotment site without making sure that the fire has been extinguished.

Any violation of times or conditions may lead to termination of tenancy.

Complaints about bonfires are investigated by our Environmental Health Team and can result in an 'abatement notice' being issued. Failure to adhere to the notice can result in a fine of up to £5,000 and the termination of the allotment tenancy.