

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

1. A signed letter addressed to the DEH Director requesting permission to light a bonfire on the beach/park in the Cayman Islands.

Please include the following:

- Contact's name & telephone number
- Proposed bonfire location
- Date/time/ duration of the fire

2. A fee of CI \$ 25 CI / US \$ 31.25 (cash/local check/local bank draft).

If sending an international bank draft, the fee is US \$100.00. (Due to CI Government treasury policy, the department cannot accept international bank drafts under US \$100.00.)

All requests should be made at least 48 hours in advance

Mailing address:

Director

Department of Environmental Health

P.O. Box 1820

Grand Cayman KY1-1109

Cayman Islands

Email to dehcustomerservice@gov.ky

Telephone: 1-345-949-6696

Fax: 1-345-949-4503

For further information

Please contact DEH at the addresses below:

Grand Cayman

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P.O. Box 1820 GT
CI Environmental Centre
Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands
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Tel: 345-949-6696

Email: dehcustomerservice@gov.ky

Cayman Brac & Little Cayman

Department of Environmental Health
P.O. Box 212 Stake Bay
Cayman Brac, Cayman Islands
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Guidelines for Building Bonfires



**Be Prepared for the worst!
Expect the Best!**



Cayman Islands

Department of
Environmental Health (DEH)

BONFIRE DO'S & DON'TS

DO'S

SAFETY NECESSITIES

- Build the fire in a safe location at least 25 ft. from buildings or vehicles.
- Maintain a respectable distance from a bonfire in order to prevent injury.
- Pay constant attention to bonfire/campfire.



- Ensure that a responsible adult tends the fire.
- Bring a first aid kit along. If an injury occurs, you'll have supplies available to dress any injury.
- Monitor children at all times.
- Keep several-gallon buckets of water or sand nearby or a supply from a water hose.
- Have a fire extinguisher on hand.
- Have a shovel nearby.
- Remove any waste from your bonfire area in advance so there's nothing that can be thrown onto the fire on the night.

Once the bonfire burns out, use a shovel to turn the materials in the fire pit so glowing embers won't sweep out of the pit and start a rogue fire elsewhere.

(Preferably, make arrangements with the Fire Department).

DON'TS

- Allow children or animals near to an open fire.
- Have flammable materials near the fire pit. (Gas, lighter fluid, and alcohol are combustible items that will feed the fire.)
- Put fireworks on a bonfire.
- Build a bonfire near low-hanging branches, tall grass, or brush.
- Burn hazardous waste (aerosols, paints etc.)
- Leave the site until the fire is **COMPLETELY** extinguished.

BUILDING YOUR BONFIRE:

Ensure bonfire is properly constructed and secured to avoid collapse.

A metal base or other suitable incombustible material should be placed underneath the bonfire to collect the waste products.

Don't pile firewood too high. A small amount of wood, combined with kindling materials, will start a good fire.

Don't let flames exceed three feet in height or width.

REMEMBER!

All waste generated must be collected and properly disposed of in a sanitary manner.

The beach must be fully restored for use by the public by 7:00 A.M. the next day.

DEH does not give permission to burn waste.