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**DEP Permit 2700-PM-BAQ0002**

Application



Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BUREAU OF AIR QUALITY

Application for Open Burning Exception for Firefighting Instruction

Please see the instructions on pages 3 & 4 for guidance on completing and submitting this application.

- 1. Name of Applicant (Print): Marc M. Jackson, Sr. Phone No: O: 724-872-2447, M: 814-279-1448
Applicant's Signature: Marc M. Jackson, Sr. Digitally signed by Marc M. Jackson, Sr. Date: 2026.02.16 15:27:34 -05'00' Title: WCCC-PSTC Director
Representing: Westmoreland County Community College - Public Safety Training Center (PSTC) (Name of Training School, VFD, etc.)
Mailing Address: 65 Public Safety Drive, Smithton, PA Zip Code: 15479
Email Address: jacksonmarc@westmoreland.edu
2. Name of other Participating Parties: Pennsylvania State Fire Academy
3. Name of Person in Charge: Marc M. Jackson, Sr. Phone No: O: 724-872-2447, M: 814-279-1448
Mailing Address: 65 Public Safety Drive, Smithton, PA Zip Code: 15479
4. a. Site Address: 65 Public Safety Drive
Town: Smithton Zip Code: 15479 County: Westmoreland
b. Directions to Site (from nearest major crossroads): Exit 49 on I-70, to Fitz Henry Road to Reduction RD
c. Date(s) and Time(s) of Accredited Training: March 01, 2026 through December 31, 2026
d. Type of Firefighting Instruction:
[ ] Acquired Structure [X] Permanent Structure [ ] Institutional/Residential Fire Extinguisher
If other, please describe: Class A Burn Building, Class A Car & Dumpster Prop, Class B Industrial Prop
e. The distance from proposed burning site to nearest neighboring structure is 1,724 Feet.
Nearest Structure is:
[X] Residential [ ] Commercial [ ] Industrial [ ] Institutional [ ] Public
f. The name of and distance to nearest stream or body of water: PSTC Retention Ponds (640FT), and Youghingheny River (3,711FT)
g. Name of Owner of Structure/Burn Site: WCCC-PSTC Phone No: 724-872-2447
Mailing Address: 65 Public Safety Drive, Smithton, PA Zip Code: 15479
Email Address of Owner: jacksonmarc@westmoreland.edu Zip Code: 15479
Owner's Signature: Marc M. Jackson, Sr. Digitally signed by Marc M. Jackson, Sr. Date: 2026.02.16 15:27:10 -05'00' Date: 2.16.26
(Signature required or Application will not be considered complete)

For training courses using "Acquired" Structure(s), Sections 5 and 6 are required. Other types of training may skip these sections:

- 5. A completed online Asbestos Abatement and Demolition/Renovation Notification Form must be submitted to DEP, for each acquired structure (including residential structures) to be used in the firefighting training a minimum of 10 working days prior to the scheduled date of the firefighting training.

For more information about DEP's Online Notification System, please refer to DEP's asbestos website at: www.pa.gov/agencies/dep/programs-and-services/air/bureau-of-air-quality/business-topics/asbestos.

6. This firefighting training activity must be either part of the PSFA local level training program, or if not a PSFA course, accepted by the PSFA.
- a. Responsible Fire Chief's Signature: N/A Date: N/A
  - b. Name of Lead Instructor or Trainer (Print): Marc M. Jackson, PSTC Director Telephone No.: O: 724-872-2447, M: 814-279-1448
  - c. Email address of Lead Instructor or Trainer: jacksonmarc@westmoreland.edu
  - d. Lead Instructor's Organization or Affiliation: WCCC-PSTC
  - e. Local/State Police notified?  Yes  No      Neighbors notified?  Yes  No  
911 Center notified?  Yes  No      Utilities notified?  Yes  No
  - f. Note all combustible materials and quantities to be used during the training. List the number of fires to be set using each type of combustible for each firefighting training exercise:  
Class A Burn Building & vehicle simulator - wood pallets & hay, Industrial Props - Class B fuels
  - g. Specific type of training to be conducted (e.g. "exposure protection," "handline practice," structural burn session, or PSFA course title) and justification for training:  
PSFA and NFPA 1403 fire department training

**When the firefighting instruction is concluded, all fires must be completely extinguished. It shall be the building owner's responsibility to properly demolish and dispose of the remains. This open burning exception is valid only for the dates specified on this application.**

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<input type="checkbox"/> Approved	<input type="checkbox"/> Disapproved
PA State Fire Academy Representative Signature: _____	Date: _____

**The open burning exception is not valid without approval by the DEP. See 25 Pa. Code §129.14(c)(2).**

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved	<input type="checkbox"/> Disapproved
Reviewed by: <u>Thomas C. Norri</u>	Date: <u>2/23/2026</u>

**Failure to submit an Application for Open Burning Exception for Firefighting Instruction may result in enforcement action including the assessment of civil penalties under Section 9.1 of the Air Pollution Control Act, 35 P.S. § 4009.1.**