



## REDCLIFF FIRE SERVICE

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### PART A

### PERMIT APPLICATION

#### Installation and Use of Fire Containing Device

(Please print clearly)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Full Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Owner  Occupant (See note #1)

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Permitted by Condominium Assoc.

Have you read and do you understand the Fire Pit Terms and Conditions? Yes  No

#### Device / Equipment Information:

Permanent  Portable

Type: Fire pit  Chimney  Other

*Note#1: If you are the occupant, then written authorization is required from the property owner which must be included with your application.*

Document Checklist: Permit Application  Site Drawing  Gas Line Locate   
Letter of Authorization from Property Owner (if not applicant)

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### PART B – Office Use Only

### APPLICATION REVIEW

- All information provided above is complete and correct.
- Site diagram attached showing fire pit location, distance to combustibles, gas line and property line.
- Copy of gas line locate is attached.
- Applicant has read and understands the Terms and Conditions portion of the application.
- Applicant has signed and dated above.

Reviewed By: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Note: If any of the items listed above are not completed, RFS members must inform applicant that these items need to be included before their application will be accepted and processed.*

### PART C – Office Use Only

### REVIEW BY PREVENTION OFFICER

#### Permit Approved:

- Yes** - The Town of Redcliff hereby approves the above-described fire-containing device for the use at the above noted location subject to the terms and conditions set out in the REQUIREMENTS FOR THE INSTALLATION AND USE OF FIRE CONTAINING DEVICES IN THE TOWN OF REDCLIFF ("Terms & Conditions"). The Owner/Occupant hereby acknowledges receipt of the Terms & Conditions and agrees to abide with such Terms & Conditions as a condition of use of the fire-containing device.

**No**

Reviewed By: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## TERMS & CONDITIONS:

### REQUIREMENTS FOR THE INSTALLATION AND USE OF FIRE-CONTAINING DEVICES IN THE TOWN OF REDCLIFF

Open fires or campfires, including fire containing devices, on public or private property within the Town of REDCLIFF are NOT ALLOWED unless APPROVED BY THE REDCLIFF FIRE SERVICE. Prior to being approved a fire containing device such as a fire pit or chimney MUST SATISFY THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

#### Section 1: Location

NOTE: Persons desiring to install a fire-containing device such as a fire pit or chimney are required to submit a SITE DRAWING of the proposed placement of the device and obtain approval of the Fire Service prior to use of it. Please include Section 1 specifications in your drawing.

Fire containing devices can only be approved for fires if they are situated:

- a) In the Back yard only. Front and side yard installation and use are not permitted.
- b) A minimum of 3 metres clearance measured from the nearest fire pit edge from buildings, property lines and combustible materials, or as approved by the Fire Chief must be maintained;
- c) No less than 3 meters (10 feet) from any vegetation such as trees or shrubbery.
- d) No less than 1 meter from gas line.

NOTE: DISTANCE REQUIREMENTS APPLY IN HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL DIRECTIONS

#### Section 2: Gas Line Locate

A copy of this locate will need to be included with your application. To obtain gas line locates for your property contact Alberta One Call at 1-800-242-3447 or [www.albertaonecall.com](http://www.albertaonecall.com).

#### Section 3: Seating

All seating around fire containing devices must be easily movable and constructed of material that will not readily catch fire or burn.

#### Section 4: Construction/Design

All fire-containing devices must be constructed and designed as follows:

- a) The fire pit opening shall not exceed one (1) metre in width or in diameter;
- b) The fire pit height shall not exceed 0.6 metres when measured from the surrounding grade to the top of the pit opening;
- c) Constructed of bricks or concrete blocks, or heavy gauge metal or other suitable non-combustible components;
- d) It must have a spark arrestor mesh screen of 7 millimeters (.25 inches) expanded metal (or equivalent) to contain sparks over the fire at all times;

#### Section 5: Usage

Public or private containing devices may only be used for:

1. Cooking of food for human consumption.
2. Warmth.
3. Fire must be supervised at all times by a responsible adult person until such time that the fire has been extinguished. A fire shall be deemed to include hot ashes and smoldering embers resulting from the fire
4. Material capable of extinguishing the fire must be located no farther than 9 meters (29.5 feet) from the fire-containing device. Acceptable extinguishing capability would consist of a container of water or sand of not less than 20 liters (5 gallons) or a garden hose connected to a reliable water outlet.
5. Only wood, charcoal briquettes, propane or natural gas fuels are to be used
6. Flame height must not exceed 90 cm (3.28) feet above the fire pit.

#### Section 6: Prohibitions

The following material may NOT be burned in the fire-containing device:

1. Garbage or painted/treated wood.
2. Yard or garden refuse such as tree trimmings, leaves, grass etc.
3. Construction materials.
4. Any material made of or containing rubber, plastic, tar, etc.

Despite the fire-containing device being approved, the Fire Department may require that a fire be extinguished and may revoke any approval if, in the sole opinion of the Fire Department, the fire creates a hazard for reasons which include but are not limited to the fire not being tended properly; the fire, or smoke emanating from the fire, creating a nuisance for other property owners, or the fire creating a risk of spreading outside of its approved container.

These guidelines represent the minimum requirements concerning the installation and use of fire containing devices such as fire pits or chimneys. Requests for further information can be directed to the Redcliff Fire Department at (403) 548-6387 during regular business hours.