

Be Fire *Smart!*

Bayside is filled with old, beautiful, wooden houses. We have had devastating fires in the past, and we are always alert to the potential for stray sparks and fires. Wood smoke from a fire without a permit can trigger a “false alarm,” requiring the Fire Department to needlessly mobilize and respond. Every cottage should have a copy of our Fire Ordinance; there are also copies at the Village Office. Some of these rules are state law; some are just common sense; all of them make for a safer Bayside!

There are basically four types of controlled fires:

Fire Type	Do I need a state permit (through the Town of Northport?)	Do I need permission from the NVC Board of Overseers?
1) Bonfire (on the beach)	Yes*	Yes
2) Camp fire	Yes*	Yes, or must meet several requirements**
3) Fire place (fire pit)	No	Yes, or must be at least 75 feet from any abutting dwelling or structure
4) Grill	No	No, but must be monitored

*State fire permits are available at the Bayside Store or Northport Town Hall.

** Campfires must be on the Intertidal Zone, 25 feet from any combustible material, and 75 feet from any structure.

Remember: NEVER leave your fires unattended. When done, extinguish your fire completely. Always keep a cell phone and fire extinguishing equipment at hand.

Violating our Fire Ordinance can incur fines of up to \$1,000.

Questions? Stop by the Village Office!