

**SCHUYLKILL COUNTY  
TEMPORARY OPEN BURNING BAN**

START DATE: FRIDAY, APRIL 21<sup>nd</sup> 2017 @ 12:00 NOON

END DATE: SUNDAY, MAY 21<sup>nd</sup> 2017 @ 12:00 NOON

**NOT ALLOWED DURING THE BAN**

- Any outdoor burning of items such as garbage, leaves, grass, twigs, litter, paper, cardboard and wood in burn barrels, fire rings, or on open ground is prohibited.

**ALLOWED DURING THE BAN**

- Grilling on gas or charcoal grills for the sole purpose of preparing food is permissible.

Residents violating the ban face fines of \$100 for the first offense, \$200 for the second and \$300 for each additional violation. Violators are also responsible for the cost of extinguishment of any wildland fire they cause; expenses may amount to thousands of dollars. Rainfall, forest and ground cover conditions are being evaluated continually by DCNR personnel and they may recommend an extension of the ban if conditions dictate.

Questions can be directed to the Schuylkill County Emergency Management Agency at 570-621-9966 or by email to:

[BurnBan@scema.org](mailto:BurnBan@scema.org).