

Croydon Council – Allotment Bonfire Rules

No individual plot holders are permitted to have bonfires on their plot. As a general rule of thumb, Croydon Council encourage plot holders and allotment societies to compost rather than hold regular bonfires.

All bonfires must be granted permission by Croydon Council and should be arranged on a site-by-site, site wide basis. Bonfires will be arranged with site committees and society contacts where possible, please contact your committee to find out when the next bonfire on your site will be.

Where bonfires are permitted, the following conditions must be adhered to:

- a) Generally, only 3 bonfires will be permitted per year
- b) Bonfires should take place in the following months only; March, November and December
- c) Any bonfire taking place should not cause a nuisance to other people including neighboring residents, other plotholders and members of the public.
- d) Bonfires should not cause any risk or danger to other wildlife or nature in the area
- e) Bonfires and smoke from bonfires should not affect nearby traffic or roads
- f) A safe and appropriate area should be identified in advance of the bonfire. Details of the chosen site should be sent when requesting permission from Croydon Council.
- g) Only green waste such as diseased plants and material which is difficult to compost should be burnt.
- h) Materials that may cause pollution of any kind or damage the soil may not be burnt.
- i) No material other than that produced on the site is to be burnt.
- j) Bonfires should not be left unattended
- k) Bonfires should be fully extinguished before they are left

To request permission to hold a bonfire on your site, contact parks@croydon.gov.uk.