

# **Information Sheet**

## **\*\*\*\*\*To be retained by applicant\*\*\*\*\***

Burning will be done as a final measure following the application of the following waste hierarchy, and in accordance with the fire safety checklist.

1. Reduction of waste arisings in accordance with best agricultural practice,
2. Reuse of waste where practicable,
3. Recycling of waste through shredding and use as compost or wood chippings, where practicable,
4. Salvage of waste for use as fuel, where practicable,
5. Disposal, where none of the options at (i) to (iv) above are practicable or economically viable but subject to the following conditions—
  - i. Adequate measures will be taken to limit the overall nuisance or possibilities for endangering human health or causing environmental pollution, and
  - ii. No accelerants will be used when undertaking the disposal activity.

### **Fire Safety Checklist:**

- I confirm that the fire is absolutely necessary.
- I confirm that I have the ability to stop the fire if the need arises.
- The fire will be located more than 1 mile from any woodland or forest.
- I am certain that my property and my neighbour's property will be safe.
- I am sure that smoke from the fire will not cause a nuisance to others, road users and neighbours in particular.
- I have alerted my neighbours and the relevant authorities of my intention to burn.
- I have given at least 48 hours notice to the relevant local authority of my intention to burn.**
- I have sufficient help and equipment on standby to control the planned fire.
- I have adequate means of communication and the necessary contact details should an emergency arise.
- I will notify the E.R.C.C. upon commencement and completion of the controlled burning on the **0818-300-112** Non Emergency Line.

### **Warning:**

**This notice does not relate to controlled burning of land to clear scrub and other unwanted vegetation.**

**This notice relates solely to the burning of waste, as defined above, generated by agricultural practices.**

**A person who gives false or misleading information for the purpose of this notice may be guilty of an offence.**

**It is an offence under Section 40 of the Wildlife Act, 1976 as amended by Section 46 of the Wildlife Act, 2000) to cut, grub, burn or otherwise destroy any vegetation:**

- growing on any land not then cultivated, and
  - growing in any hedge or ditch,
- from 1<sup>st</sup> March to 31<sup>st</sup> August in any year..**