

Important notice to all  
property owners and  
occupiers



## FIRST AND FINAL

# FIRE NOTICE

Owners or occupiers of land within the City of Bunbury, are notified they must comply with the Bush Fires Act 1954 (the Act) and carry out annual fire-prevention work, as set out in this notice.

ALL properties within Bunbury could be subject to loss due to embers from nearby fires landing within your yards. Most homes are lost through fires from ember attack.

### PROHIBITED AND RESTRICTED BURNING PERIODS

#### Restricted Burning Period

Burn Permits Required - **15 November** until **29 December**

#### Prohibited Burning Period

**NO Fires Permitted** - **30 December** until **28 March**

#### Restricted Burning Period

Burn Permits Required - **29 March** until **10 May**

These dates may be varied according to seasonal conditions,  
Any changes will be publicly advertised.

Work must be completed no later than  
**30 November** and maintained throughout the  
summer months, until **10 May** annually.

It is an offence not to comply with the Act, which carries a modified penalty of \$250 and a maximum penalty of \$5,000. With or without prosecution and in accordance with the Act, the City of Bunbury may enter the land and carry out the required work, at the expense of the land owner/occupier.

Properties assessed as having a bushfire hazard rating of **VERY HIGH** or **EXTREME**, will be sent further information and suggested fire-prevention strategies.

## **REQUIREMENTS**

### **Private property**

(including residential, commercial and industrial)

- Where the area of land is **2024m<sup>2</sup>** or less, all flammable material on the land is to be removed except living trees.
- Where the land area exceeds **2024m<sup>2</sup>**, provide a **3 metre** firebreak free of all flammable material, immediately inside all boundaries and surrounding all buildings and haystacks. Where adjoining lots are held or used by the owner/occupier, firebreaks may be provided immediately inside the external boundaries of the group of lots.

Total removal of flammable material from the property would be considered an acceptable alternative.

### **Fuel and gas depots**

All flammable material must be cleared from land where there are containers used for liquid or gas-fuel storage including clearing all flammable material from any liquid or gas-fuel storage ramps or supports.

**For more information call  
9792 7106 or visit  
[www.bunbury.wa.gov.au](http://www.bunbury.wa.gov.au)**

### **Restricted Burning Period - Burn Permits are required for Open Fires of any kind.**

This includes any garden refuse and all open fires during the restricted burning period.

### **Prohibited Burning Period -**

Burning of anything is totally prohibited from **30 December to 28 March** annually.

**Burning Permits** - will only be issued to owner/occupiers of land for hazard reduction burning until **30 November** annually.

### **Campfires**

Campfires are completely banned in the City of Bunbury from **15 November to 10 May** annually.

### **Exemptions**

If it is impractical to clear firebreaks as required by this notice, or if natural features make firebreaks unnecessary, you may apply to the Council or its authorised officer, until **15 November** for permission to provide firebreaks in alternative positions, or take other action, to abate fire hazards. If permission is not granted the requirements of the notice must be complied with.

**Chief**

**Executive**

**Officer**



**For all fire emergencies, please ring 000**