



2021/22 BUSH FIRE CONTROL FIREBREAK NOTICE

LIST OF FIRE CONTROL OFFICERS GENERAL INFORMATION ON HARVEST BANS & BURNING PERIODS

SHIRE OF DUMBLEYUNG SMS NOTIFICATIONS



Contact the Shire of Dumbleyung on 9863 4012 or email enquiries@dumbleyung.wa.gov.au to be added to the SMS contact list for Harvest Bans, Fire Notification and Road Closures.

HELP STOP ARSON
Report suspicious activity to Crime Stoppers
Ph: 1800 333 000

This Notice is to all landowners and occupiers within the Shire of Dumbleyung and is issued pursuant to Section 33 of the Bushfire Act 1954.

PERMIT INFORMATION AS EXTRACTED FROM THE PERMIT FORM

Regulation 15

- (6) A person shall not set fire to the bush on land within a zone of the State during the restricted burning times for that zone of the State unless —
- he has obtained a permit in writing to burn the bush from a Bush Fire Control Officer of the local government in whose district the land upon which the bush proposed to be burnt is situated, or from the Chief Executive Officer of the local government if a Bush Fire Control Officer is not available; and
 - The person issuing a permit to burn under this section may, by endorsement on the permit —
 - incorporate therein any additional requirements and directions considered necessary by him relative to the burning; or
 - modify or dispense with any of the conditions prescribed for the purposes of this section in so far as those conditions are applicable to the burning.

Regulation 15B – Obligations of the Permit Holder

- Subject to the Act a person who has obtained a permit to burn the bush under section 18 of the Act (in this regulation called “the permit holder”) shall comply with the conditions set out in this regulation in relation to the burning of the bush.
- The permit holder shall give notice of his intention to burn the bush upon land, or upon a part of land, to —
 - the Chief Executive Officer or a Bush Fire Control Officer of the local government in whose district that land is situated;
 - the owner or occupier of all land adjoining that land;
 - a forest officer if the bush is situated within 3 kilometres of forest land; and
 - an officer or employee of each notifiable authority (if any), being an officer or employee who is apparently authorised to accept that notice.
- Before setting fire to the bush the permit holder shall arrange for and provide, in order to assist in keeping the fire under control and preventing it from spreading beyond the land on which the burning is to take place, at least 3 able bodied persons who shall be constantly in attendance at the fire from the time it is lit until no burning or smouldering fuel is within 30 metres of the perimeter of the firebreak surrounding the burnt area or, if there is no such firebreak, within 30 metres of the perimeter of the burnt area.
- Where for any day, or any period of a day, specified in a notice given under sub regulation (2) the fire danger forecast issued by the Bureau of Meteorology in Perth in respect of the locality where the bush proposed to be burnt is situated is either “very high” or “extreme” the permit holder shall not burn the bush in the locality on that day or during that period but may burn the bush in the locality on the next day following that day or that period on which the fire danger forecast issued by the Bureau of Meteorology is below “very high”.



Contact your nearest FCO to
obtain a permit

FAILURE TO COMPLY COULD RESULT
IN A \$5000 FINE

DUMBLEYUNG SHIRE
Chief Fire Control Officer/Fire Weather Officer:
Kim Gooding 0427 832 026
Deputy Chief Fire Control Officer/Fire Weather Officer:
Todd Gray 0429 986 410
Shire Office:
Cnr Harvey & Dawson Streets 9863 4012

TITLE	NAME	CALL SIGN	PHONE	MOBILE
CEO	Gavin Treasure	Shire Base	9863 4012	0429 634 012
CBFCO/ CFWO	Kim Gooding	Kukerin 1	9864 6010	0427 832 026
DCBFCO / DCFWO	Todd Gray	Dumbleyung 6	9864 1032	0429 986 410
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FCO	Jon Ward	Dumbleyung 1	9863 4206	0408 434 155
FCO/FWO	Jamie Dare	Dumbleyung 2	9822 7023	0428 227 023
FCO/FWO	Daniel McDougall	Dumbleyung 5		0408 375 585
FCO	Chris Ramm	Dumbleyung 9		0428 642 014
FCO	Dayle Lloyd	Dumbleyung 8	9863 4063	0428 634 063
FCO	Trevor Dawson	Dumbleyung 11	9822 7024	0427 103 228
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CBFCO/ CFWO	Kim Gooding	Kukerin 1	9864 6010	0427 832 026
FCO/FWO	Chad Davidson	Kukerin 2		0427 646 049
FCO/FWO	Ross Robinson	Kukerin 4	9864 9038	0419 241 567
FCO/FWO	Grant Lukins	Kukerin 6	9864 6039	0428 646 039
FCO/FWO	Mark Pearce	Kukerin 8	9864 9065	0428 959 106
FCO/FWO	Paul King	Kukerin 9	9864 7834	0428 509 032
FCO	Peter Joyce	Kukerin 10		0437 065 964
MOULYINNING BRIGADE				
FCO	Ricky Mott	Kukerin 5		0428 210 481
DCBFCO/D CFWO	Todd Gray	Dumbleyung 6	9864 1032	0429 986 410
FCO	Bradon Mott/ David Head	Dumbleyung 7	9864 2003	0429 642 003 0409 480 712
FCO/FWO	Damien Gooding	Kukerin 11	9864 1041	0429 326 436
DONGOLOCKING BRIGADE				
FCO/FWO	Shayne Smith	Dumbleyung 3		0428 637 240
FCO/FWO	Ken Wright	Dumbleyung 4	9863 4197	0427 634 197

TO REPORT AN EMERGENCY

Fire or Life Threatening

Dial 000

Storm / Flood Assistance 13 25 00

DFES Emergency Information 13 33 37

DFES Fire Reports / Burn Register 1800 198 140



FIRST & FINAL NOTICE TO ALL OWNERS AND/OR OCCUPIERS OF LAND IN THE SHIRE OF DUMBLEYUNG

PURSUANT to the powers contained in Section 33 of the Bushfire Act 1954, you are hereby **required on or before the 1st day of November each year** or within 14 days of the date of you becoming an Owner or Occupier should this be after the 1st day of November and thereafter up to and including the 31st day of March of the following year to have a fire break clear of all inflammable material on:

1. RURAL LAND

- Boundary firebreaks** at least 3 metres wide shall be cleared of all inflammable material immediately inside all external boundaries of the land and immediately inside boundaries which adjoin cleared roads.
- Internal firebreaks** at least 3 metres wide shall be cleared of all inflammable material divided into lots no greater than 300 ha of crop and/or pasture.
- Firebreaks at least 3 metres wide shall be cleared of all inflammable material parallel to a 20 metre distance from boundaries which adjoin railway reserves.
- Building/Structure firebreaks** at least 3 metres wide shall be cleared of all inflammable material at a distance of 20 metres from the perimeter of all haystacks and buildings, or groups of buildings and haystacks and fuel storage areas and shall completely encircle such buildings and haystacks.
- The area between the buildings and haystacks and the firebreak mentioned in (d) above shall be cleared of all inflammable material by the 15th day of December annually.
- On Farm Grain Depots or Bunkers requirements for approval:-**
 - All inflammable material for a radius of 50 metres of where trucks, loaders and engines are operating must be cleared.
 - The bunker or depot must be immediately adjacent to the farm's main access road and/or shed areas.
 - The bunker or depot must be inspected by a Local Fire Control Officer before the 1st November each year and a fee of \$100.00 must be paid to the Shire Office - after which the registration will be listed.
 - During loading or unloading there must at all times be an approved mobile fire fighting unit (See item 4) on hand, during harvest and movement of vehicles in paddocks bans. This unit must escort the truck onto and off the property.

NOTE: Firebreaks need not follow the perimeter of any paddock, but may follow contours. Failure to comply with firebreak regulations will result in a fine and will also have consequences for the insurance of the property.

2. TOWN LAND

- Where the land is .40 hectares or less all inflammable material on the land shall be removed from the whole of the land.
- Where the land exceeds .40 hectares in area, firebreaks at least 1.829 metres wide shall be cleared of all inflammable material immediately inside all external boundaries of the land and also immediately surrounding all buildings situated on the land.

If the requirements of this notice are carried out by burning, such burning must be carried out in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Bush Fires Act. "Inflammable Material" does not include green growing trees or green growing plants, or lawns in gardens.

3. GENERAL

If for any reason it is considered by the owner or occupier of land, that it is impractical to comply with the firebreak requirements of this notice a variation request may be made to the Shire of Dumbleyung not later than September 1st of each year.

Where approval of a proposed variation is not granted by Council you shall comply with the firebreak requirements of this notice.

The penalty for non-compliance with this notice is a maximum of \$5,000 and notwithstanding prosecution, Council may enter on the land and carry out the requisite works at the owner/occupiers expense. Aerial inspections of firebreaks are carried out annually in November.

4. HARVESTING OPERATION - MOBILE FIRE FIGHTING UNIT

Pursuant to the power under the Bush Fires Act 1954 it is compulsory that an operational mobile engine powered fire fighting pump unit with not less than 450 – 600 litres of water be in attendance during grain harvesting operations. Self powered mobile units are the preferred fire fighting vehicle.

Fire fighting units mounted on trailers must be connected to a towing vehicle at all times. Trailer units are not recommended for use in fire fighting situations and are better used for mopping up operations.

5. TRACK CHAINING OR ROCK WINDROWING

A mobile fire fighting unit as defined in Item 4 is to be in attendance during track chaining/rock windrowing operations through the period of 1st November to 30th April each year.

6. SUPER-SPREADER VEHICLES, MULCHERS & SLASHERS

Such vehicles are to be equipped with an accessible fire extinguisher of 9 litre water capacity or equivalent.

Regulation 38

A person shall not operate any harvesting machine or header in any crop during the prohibited burning times or the restricted burning period, unless a fire extinguisher is carried on the machine.



By Order of Council
CHIEF EXECUTIVE
OFFICER

IMPORTANT DATES & INFORMATION



RESTRICTED BURNING PERIOD
19th September to 31st October
1st February to 31st March

RESTRICTED BURNING PERIOD – It is unlawful to set fire to the bush during this time except in accordance with a permit obtained. The Restricted Burning Period can be varied i.e. shortened, extended, suspended, reimposed by the Shire 14 days at a time if seasonal conditions require.

STUBBLE BURNING—Stubble burning, subject to normal permit, will be allowed on Sundays after 15th March until the end of the restricted burning period. No Sunday burning to be allowed prior to the 15th March.



PROHIBITED BURNING PERIOD
1st November to 31st January
Burning is also prohibited on Good Friday and Easter Sunday

PROHIBITED BURNING PERIOD – means that the time of the year during when it is declared by the Minister to be unlawful to set fire to the bush. Protective burning and burning to harvest clover can be carried out during this time only in accordance with a permit obtained.

CLEARING OF TOWN LOTS

Owners of town blocks can arrange, through the Shire office for a fee, to have vacant blocks sprayed, slashed, grazed or burnt to clear Town Lots. This must be arranged prior to 1st October to allow time for the works to be completed prior to 1st November. If in doubt, contact your nearest Fire Control Officer or the Shire office on 9863 4012.

BANS - HARVESTING AND MOVEMENT OF VEHICLES

Please be aware that bans are only placed after scientific measurements have reached a critical point i.e. combination of temperature, wind strength and humidity are applied to a proven rate of fire spread chart from tests done at several points throughout the Shire. For information on bans please phone 9487 5410.

There is a total harvest ban on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

For information on bans ring your CLOSEST FCO or 9487 5410 - not the CBFEO as that officer is under considerable pressure during these times. FCO's please ensure that all persons likely to attend fires are over 16 years of age and are registered as brigade members. Non-brigade members have to be authorised to attend a fire by the FCO in charge.

DRESS STANDARD AT FIRES

If you attend a fire as a fire-fighter you must wear boots and overalls or, a long-sleeved shirt and long trousers (non flammable cotton type). This is necessary to be covered by Bushfire Insurance.

BUSHFIRE COMMUNICATIONS PLAN

A communications plan will be circulated to households detailing the channels of communication to be used in the event of attending a fire. Please keep it handy during the bushfire season.