



# FIREBREAK AND FUEL HAZARD REDUCTION NOTICE



## 2017/2018 BUSH FIRE SEASON

FIRST AND FINAL NOTICE IS HEREBY SERVED TO  
ALL RESIDENTS AND RATEPAYERS

### Bush Fires Act 1954

Take notice that pursuant to Part 3 Division 6 Section 33 of the Bush Fires Act 1954, all owners and occupiers of land in the Shire of Nannup are required to carry out fire prevention work and to maintain access for fire fighting vehicles on the land owned or occupied in accordance with the provision of this order.

It is the property owner **not** the contractor that is responsible for the standard and quality of the firebreaks installed and maintained.

Penalties may apply for failure to comply with this notice.

**RING 000 FOR ALL FIRES**

## BUSH FIRES ACT 1954

### PROPERTY COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

Compliance inspections of land will be carried out from 16 November 2017, to assess landowner(s) or occupier(s) of land compliance with the Shire of Nannup Firebreak and Fuel Hazard Reduction Notice.

- Rural, Special Rural, Urban and Industrial Land requirements must be compliant by 4 December 2017
- A firebreak shall be constructed within 6 metres of the boundary of the property, must be at least 4 metres wide with a minimum of 3 metres wide of mineral earth and have all trees adjoining the firebreak progressively pruned to a minimum height of 4 metres
- Local Government may serve a notice pursuant to Section 33 of the Bush Fire Act 1954, requiring the property owner to undertake any extra work to reduce the impact of a fire.
- Rural, Special Rural, Urban and Industrial Land requirements must be maintained until 31 May 2018 or a later date if the compliance period is extended, in which case a notice will be placed in the local Telegraph paper.

Dates are subject to seasonal change. Any variation can be obtained from your area fire control officer or shire office and is made by consultation with the Chief Bushfire Control Officer

MAINTENANCE PERIOD	
1 November 2017	Application for variation to this notice closes
6 November 2017	Restricted burning period commences. A permit is required to burn.
13 November 2017	All fire prevention work in Plantations other than Scott River, covered by this notice must be completed
4 December 2017	All fire prevention work in the Nannup townsite, Rural and Special Rural areas, covered by this notice must be completed
11 December 2017	All fire prevention work for plantations in the Scott River area, covered by this notice must be completed
<b>18 December 2017</b>	<b>Prohibited burning period commences.</b>
1 March 2018	Restricted burning period commences. A permit is required to burn.
31 May 2018	Restricted burning period ends.
1 June 2018	No burning restrictions. No permit is required to burn.

During the Maintenance Period (1 November to 1 June) all properties must be maintained and be compliant as per this notice. It is the landowner's responsibility to ensure the property is compliant throughout the maintenance period. Failure to do so may result in an on-the-spot fine of \$250.00.

**Hazard reduction is required to be maintained throughout the restricted and prohibited season**

### FIRE PERMITS

- Permits to burn are required for the whole of the restricted periods and can only be obtained from the Fire Control Officer for your area. **It is an offence to apply to another Brigade Fire Control Officer for a permit if YOUR Brigade Fire Control Officer has refused you.**
- Permits are to be obtained before burning commences (the permit holder must be in possession of the permit during the burn)

Before you call a Fire Control Officer ensure you have the following information:

- Who will be the three able bodied persons in attendance at all times whilst the fire is alight, including contact phone numbers?
- What is the address of the property to which the permit applies?
- What firefighting equipment and resources will you have at the fire and is it in good working order?
- What is the size of the burn to take place?
- Are there firebreaks installed and can a fire unit get access to the area?
- What material are you burning? Is it dry? Are there any plastics, tyres or treated posts in the piles or area to be burnt? If so, remove them to a safe place.

Once the permit is issued, the permit holder shall give notice of their intention to burn to:

- The Shire offices no later than on the day prior to when the burning is taking place. **Weekend burning must be notified by Friday at 4.00pm.**



- The owner or occupier of adjoining land. Period of Notice to neighbours prior to burning cannot be more than 27 days or less than 4 days, although lesser notice may be determined by mutual agreement of all neighbours.
- The nearest Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions office (DBCA), if the land is situated within 3km of State Forest, phone DBCA Kirup on (08) 9731 6232 or the Donnelly District phone (08) 9776 1207.

Any special Condition imposed by the Fire Control Officer when issuing permits must be strictly adhered to.

Your attention is drawn to items 5, 6 and 7 printed on the back of the permit.

Burning is permitted during the restricted Burning Period on Sundays and Public Holidays under permit.

All landowners and occupiers upon whose land a bushfire occurs have an obligation to assist each Brigade Fire Control Officer to compile a Fire Report form.

Fire Permits are free of charge.

**For further information contact your local Fire Control Officer or the Shire of Nannup on 9756 1018.**

#### VOLUNTEER BUSH FIRE CONTROL OFFICERS

##### Chief Bushfire Control Officer

Robin Mellema 9756 1156 0427 975 611

##### Deputy Chief Bushfire Control Officer

Ashley Kidd 9756 0703 0478 215 002

##### Brigade Fire Control Officers

Balingup Road	Mark Scott	9756 0444
Carlotta	Ian Wishart	9756 1165
Cundinup	Gerald Brown	9756 2055
Darradup	John Patman	9756 1514
East Nannup	Vic Lorkiewicz	9756 1129
Nannup Brook	Carey Curtis	0432 139 319
North Nannup	Paul Lamers	9756 1891
Peerabeelup	John Gaunt	9776 2005
Scott River/Jasper	John Dunnet	9758 2238

## FIRE DANGER RATING



Fires can threaten suddenly and without warning.

Watch for signs of fire, especially smoke and flames.

Know your Fire Danger Rating and be aware of local conditions.

Have your bushfire survival plan and kit ready.

To seek information listen to local radio, go to [www.dfes.wa.gov.au](http://www.dfes.wa.gov.au) or call the DFES information line on 13 DFES (13 33 37)

**Ring 000 to report a fire.**

**Please note:** on any day during the restricted burning period where the fire danger rating is **Catastrophic, Severe, Extreme** or **Very High**, the burning of garden refuse or wood or the use of solid fuel barbeques or Webbers is **NOT** permitted under any circumstances. Permits are automatically cancelled on these days. Due to unseasonable weather conditions these dates may be extended.

## DO YOU HAVE OVERHANGING BRANCHES ON YOUR FIREBREAKS?



4 metres

4 metres

## WOULD THIS TRUCK HAVE ADEQUATE ACCESS TO DEFEND YOUR PROPERTY?

**Applications for a variation** of this Firebreak and Fuel Hazard Reduction Notice, where ground considerations or environmental concerns prevent compliance with the requirements of this Notice, must be lodged in writing together with a Firebreak and Fuel hazard Reduction Notice Variation form, prior to **1 November 2017**.

