

RESTRICTED BURNING PERIOD

19 September to 31 October
BURNING PERMIT REQUIRED

PROHIBITED BURNING PERIOD

1 November to 1 March
NO BURNING PERMITTED

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2 March to 15 April
BURNING PERMIT REQUIRED

NO BURNING PERMITTED ON DAYS WHEN VERY HIGH OR GREATER FIRE DANGER IS FORECAST

*Fire Weather information available at www.bom.gov.au
or by listening to ABC Regional Radio*

FIREBREAK ORDER BUSHFIRES ACT 1954

Pursuant to the powers contained in section 33 of the Bush Fires Act 1954, you are hereby required on or before 31 October 2013, to plough, scarify, cultivate, spray or otherwise clear and thereafter maintain free of all inflammable material until 15 April 2014 firebreaks in the following dimensions, on the land owned or occupied by you.

1. RURAL LAND

1.1 Firebreaks of not less than 2.44 metres (8 feet) in width must be constructed along and within 20 metres of all external boundaries of the property owned or occupied by you. If any portion of the land adjoins a public road or railway line, a firebreak must also be constructed along that boundary.

1.2 Property in excess of 250 hectares shall have fire breaks positioned as necessary to divide land into areas not exceeding 250 hectares each completely surrounded by a firebreak.

1.3 Clear and maintain firebreaks at least 2.44 metres (8 feet) wide within 20 metres of the perimeter of any building or group of buildings, fuel tanks, hayshed or haystack, in such a manner as to fully encircle the structure/s. In addition to firebreaks a 20m wide low fuel zone is required to be maintained around any building or group of buildings, fuel tanks, hayshed or haystack. Low fuel means the removal of inflammable material, dead trees, leaf litter and trash and the removal of dead branches to a height of 1.5 metres from live standing trees. Grass is to be slashed to a height not exceeding 100mm.

1.4 During any period when harvesting operations are being conducted, there shall be provided an operational mobile firefighting unit with a minimum capacity of 500 litres of water located in or immediately adjacent to the paddock being harvested. The responsibility to supply the unit is that of the landowner/occupier.

2. TOWN SITES

2.1 Where the area of the land is 0.2 hectares (one half of one acre) or less, you shall clear all inflammable material on the land from the whole of the land.

2.2 Where the area of the land exceeds 0.2 hectares (one half of one acre), you shall clear of all inflammable material, firebreaks not less than 2.44 metres (8 feet) wide immediately inside all external boundaries of the land, and also immediately surrounding all buildings, haystacks and fuel ramps situated on the land, and also immediately surrounding any drums or drums situated on the land which are normally used for the storage of fuel, whether they contain fuel or not.

3. GENERAL PROVISIONS

The term "*Inflammable Material*" for the purpose of this notice includes bush (as defined in the Bush Fires Act 1954), timber, boxes, cartons, paper, and the like inflammable materials, rubbish and any combustible matter, but does not include buildings, green standing trees and bushes or growing bushes or plants in gardens or lawns.

If it is considered to be impractical for any reason to provide firebreaks in the position or adhere to the provisions required by this notice, the written approval of Council or a duly authorised officer must be obtained to prepare such firebreaks in an alternative position.

If permission is not granted by Council or a duly authorised officer you shall comply with the requirements of this order.

A "*Harvesting/Total Movement Ban*" includes harvesting and the movement of vehicles in paddocks, except vehicles carrying water to stock. Contractors carting lime, gypsum or fertilizer are allowed to enter into paddocks to unload at any time that there is a "*Harvest/Total Movement Ban*" in place on the condition that a manned fire unit with at least 500 litres of water is in attendance.

Harvesting is not permitted on Christmas Day and New Years Day.

The penalty for failing to comply with this order is a fine of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1000) and a person in default is also liable, whether prosecuted or not, to pay the cost of performing the work directed by this notice, if it is not carried out by the owner or occupier by the date required by this notice.

JULIAN MURPHY
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



GENERAL INFORMATION

PERMITS

Permits for burning during the restricted burning period are available from your local Bush Fire Control Officer, please refer to the list on the back page of this notice. Burning is not permitted during the restricted burning period on Sundays and Public Holidays or during Easter when Easter falls within the restricted burning period.

Persons burning without permits during the Restricted Burning Period or on days when a Very High or greater fire weather warning has been issued may be prosecuted.

HARVEST/MOVEMENT OF VEHICLES IN PADDOCKS BANS

A "Harvesting/Total Movement Ban" includes harvesting and the movement of vehicles in paddocks, except vehicles carrying water to stock.

TOTAL FIRE BANS may be imposed by FESA on a regional basis on days of Severe or higher Fire Danger. Activities which may cause a fire are prohibited. Harvesting/movement bans may also be imposed by the Shire.

ROADSIDE BURNING AND SPRAYING

No roadside burning or spraying is allowed by any person within the Shire of Corrigin without the approval of Council.

RESPONSIBILITY

Section 28 of the Bush Fires Act provides that where a bush fire is burning during prohibited or restricted times, the occupier of the land shall forthwith, whether he or she has lit or caused such fire to be lit or not, take all possible steps to extinguish the fire. Where owners or occupiers fail to extinguish the fire a Bush Fire Control Officer may take all proper measures to extinguish such fire and the expenses of that action are recoverable from owners and occupiers.

PENALTIES

Penalties apply for failure to comply with these regulations.

FIRE CONTROL OFFICERS

Chief Bush Fire Control Officer

Wes Baker 9065 8034 ph 0427 658 034 m

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BILBARIN BUSH FIRE BRIGADE

Sandow Jacobs 9065 2042 ph 0427 652 042 m

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Wes Baker 9065 8034 ph 0427 658 034 m

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KUNJIN BUSH FIRE BRIGADE

Tony Guinness 9065 7079 ph 0427 657 004 m

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To register for SMS notifications of Harvest Bans via your mobile phone please contact the Shire Office on 9063 2203.

Harvest Ban Information Line (08) 9063 2999

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL LAND OWNERS AND OCCUPIERS WITHIN THE SHIRE OF CORRIGIN



FIREBREAK

ORDER 2013/2014

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PENALTY FOR NON-COMPLIANCE WITH

THIS NOTICE - \$1000.00