

FIREBREAK NOTICE 2016/17

BUSH FIRES ACT 1954

(amended) Section 33

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



FIREBREAKS MUST BE INSTALLED BY
1ST OCTOBER 2016

AND MAINTAINED CLEAR OF ALL FLAMMABLE
MATERIAL UP TO AND INCLUDING

30 APRIL 2017

FIRST AND FINAL NOTICE

This notice gives the minimum requirements
for Fire control in the Shire of Cunderdin and
all residents and ratepayers are encouraged
to undertake additional fire protection
measures to ensure the safety of
property and life.

For further information please refer to
www.dfes.wa.gov.au

PROHIBITED & RESTRICTED BURNING PERIODS

RESTRICTED	PROHIBITED	RESTRICTED	UNRESTRICTED
19 September - 1 November <u>Permits Required</u>	2 November - 13 February NO BURNING	14 February - 29 March <u>Permits Required</u>	30 March - 18 September NO Permits

Permits will be available from—Chief Bush Fire Control Officer,
Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer & the Cunderdin Shire Office

Burning Permits are issued free of charge

The above dates may change due to seasonal fire conditions in which case the details of
the changes will be published in the local press and on council's website.

PREPARE. ACT. SURVIVE.

Before summer starts you need to decide
what you will do if a bushfire threatens.
If you live or work in a bushland area you
need to **PREPARE** your home , family or
business and have a plan
so you can **ACT** to make sure you
SURVIVE.

Further information on
PREPARE. ACT. SURVIVE.

Is available on
DFES' website:

www.dfes.wa.gov.au

(follow the links to Bushfire Safety)



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HARVEST VEHICLE MOVEMENT & HOT WORKS BANS

It's Imperative that anyone harvesting or moving machinery and vehicles in paddocks, be aware that

Harvest Bans can be imposed within the Shire of Cunderdin— and the best way to find out about them is via the Shire's Harvest Ban SMS service or the Shire's website: www.cunderdin.wa.gov.au

As soon as a ban is imposed you will receive a text message, from then on the weather will be checked every hour, and a following SMS will advise when the ban will be lifted, or alternatively check our website.

**Please note that there will be a
HARVEST/ HOT WORKS &
VEHICLE MOVEMENT BAN on
Christmas Day, Boxing Day and
New Years Day**

If you need to be notified of Harvest Bans and are not currently registered please contact the Shire on 9635 2700 as soon as possible.



BUSHFIRE READY

DEFINITIONS

Hazardous Materials-

Relates to any matter or material that can catch alight. This includes garden waste, rubbish and unslashed/mowed long grass.

Fuel Reduction Zone-

Is and area where by ploughing, cultivating, scarifying, burning or chemical spraying combustible materials are reduced or removed.

ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

If it is impractical or undesirable to meet the above requirements on your land, you can request a variance on these requirements up until the

31st September 2016

FAILURE TO COMPLY

Failure to comply with a Fire Hazard Reduction Requirements carries a maximum fine of \$1,000 or a prescribed penalty of \$250 on service of an infringement.

FIREBREAK/FUEL REDUCTION REQUIREMENTS

LAND AREA less than 1ha

All *hazardous material* is to be removed from the whole of the land except living trees, shrubs and plants. The remaining vegetation is to be maintained to a height of no greater than 7.5cm

LAND AREA from 1ha to 5ha

All *hazardous material* is to be removed from the whole of the land except living trees, shrubs and plants. The remaining vegetation is to be maintained to a height of no greater than 7.5cm

OR

Install a 2.4 metre wide *Fuel Reduction Zone* as reasonably practical within the external boundaries of the property.



LAND AREA over 5ha NO FIREBREAKS REQUIRED

- however we **recommend** where possible fire-breaks are installed and available fuels around houses and sheds are cleared to help protect your property from the threat of fire