

Fire Bans 2022-2023



FIRE BANS

Total Fire Bans

A Total Fire Ban is declared by the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) on days when fires are most likely to threaten lives and property. When a ban is declared it will be featured on:

- DFES Website
- DFES Twitter Account
- Broadcast on ABC local radio 531AM
- via DFES information line 133 337

Harvest and Vehicle Movement Bans are imposed by the Local Government when the Fire Danger Index (FDI) exceeds 32 during a Total Fire Ban.

They are also imposed when the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer is of the opinion that the use of engines, vehicles, plant or machinery during the prohibited or the restricted burning times is likely to cause a fire or contribute to the spread of a bushfire. If a Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban is declared, it is broadcast on ABC radio and via SMS.

First and Final Notice is hereby serviced to all residents and ratepayers. Failure to install and maintain firebreaks in accordance with this notice may result in a \$5000 fine.

BURNING RESTRICTIONS

Dates Subject to Seasonal Conditions

RESTRICTED BURNING PERIOD

13 October 2022 to 14 November 2022

PROHIBITED BURNING PERIOD

15 November 2022 to 13 February 2023

RESTRICTED BURNING PERIOD

14 February 2023 to 31 March 2023

Dates may vary due to climate or weather conditions. Period variations will be advertised on the website and in the Wonga-Balli Boomer.

Permits to burn may ONLY be obtained from your local Fire Control Officer. Contact details can be found in the last tab of this booklet.

ALL burning is prohibited on days of *very high* or *above* fire danger ratings, and if a Total Fire Ban or Harvest and Movement Ban is declared.