



Bushfire Mitigation Notice

Pursuant to section 33(1) of the Bush Fires Act 1954, the Shire of Capel gives notice that the owners and/or occupiers of land within the district are required to undertake the following works on land owned or occupied by them -

Minimum property requirements

All properties

Clean gutters on all buildings.
Remove debris from around buildings.

Maintain a 20 metre low fuel zone around all habitable buildings.

Residential properties/light industrial

Grass must not be higher than 10cm.
Vacant Blocks require a 3 metre firebreak or entire property to be maintained as low fuel zone regardless of property size.

Residential properties larger than 2024m²

Maintain a 3 metre wide firebreak on all external boundaries.

You can manage your entire property as a low fuel zone instead of installing firebreaks.

Rural Residential properties

Maintain a 3 metre wide firebreak on all external boundaries.

You can manage your entire property as a low fuel zone instead of installing firebreaks.

Rural properties/Priority Agriculture/Urban development

Maintain a 20 metre wide low fuel zone or 2 metre firebreak around all haystacks.

Maintain a 2 metre wide firebreak on land adjacent to a road reserve.

Plantations

Adhere to the Guidelines for Plantation Fire Protection 2011.

Compliance period

The compliance period is from **1 December to 30 April**.

Under section 33 of the Bush Fires Act your property must be compliant with this notice during the compliance period.

Penalties apply.

Variations

You must apply for a variation by 31 October if you can't comply with the requirements of this order.

Late applications will not be accepted.

Specifications

Low fuel zone

To maintain a low fuel zone you must

- reduce and maintain fuel loads at 2 tonnes per hectare
- skirt trees up to a height of 2m
- no trees/shrubs over 2 metres high within 2 metres of a habitable building
- no tree crowns/branches over habitable buildings clear/prune scrub to reduce to a sparse density - you must be able to walk through with relative ease and minimal deviation
- no grass higher than 10cm.

Firebreak

Your firebreaks must:

- be as close as practical to the property boundary
- have a vertical clearance height of 4 metres (excludes rural zoned properties)
- be continuous and trafficable for a 4WD vehicle with no obstructions
- mineral/bare earth - clear of all vegetation
- not terminate in a dead-end.

Maintained green lawns are acceptable in conjunction with or instead of mineral earth firebreaks. They must meet the firebreak clearance and width requirements.

General Community Information

Burning periods

Permit required during the restricted burning period.

No burning is allowed if Fire Danger Rating is High or Above. This includes during the unrestricted burning period & if you have been issued a Permit.

Dates subject to change.

Restricted

1 November to
14 December

Prohibited

15 December to
31 March

Restricted

1 April to
30 April

Permits

Contact your fire control officer with at least 48 hours notice to apply. You are responsible for any burns on your property. Take care and Burn SMART.

 Search Burn SMART for more information.

Register all burnoffs with DFES on 9395 9209

Campfires, Fire Pits and Outdoor cooking fires

Campfires & fire pits, outdoor cooking and campfires require a 3m clear area surrounding the campfire or fire pit to be maintained and are not permitted during the Prohibited Burning Period (**15 December-31 March**), or on any day where the Fire Danger Rating is high or above.

Pizza ovens

Pizza Ovens **WITHOUT** a spark arrestor are not permitted during the prohibited burning period (15 December-31 March) or if the Fire Danger Rating is high or above

Pizza Ovens **WITH** a spark arrestor are not permitted on any day if the Fire Danger Rating is high or above

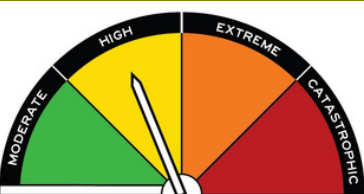
Barbeques and solid fuel BBQ's such Webber BBQs & kettle style BBQs

The use of solid fuel cooking appliances are not permitted on any day where the Fire Danger Rating is high or above.

Gas BBQs

Gas cooking appliances with enclosed flames are always permitted on private property.

Any additional restrictions due to fire weather conditions will be published on the Shire's website when these conditions occur.



The Australian Fire Danger Rating System

Visit afac.com.au/initiative/afdrs

Australian warning system



Emergency warning

You are in danger and need to take immediate action to survive. There is a threat to lives or homes.



Watch and act

There is a possible threat to lives or homes. You need to leave or get ready to defend - do not wait and see.



Advice

A fire has started but there is no immediate threat to lives or homes. Be aware and keep up to date.

Fire control officers

Chief Bush Fire Control Officer

Barry Bell | 0427 966 126

Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer

Daniel Tait | 0417 091 076 (North)

Mark Roberts | 0412 446 516 (South)

Boyanup North

Daniel Tait | 0417 091 076

Boyanup South

Brian Smith | 0427 387 412

Chris Ward | 0431 532 791

Capel Town

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Call: 13 DFES (13 3337)