

## 2017/18 Bush Fire Order

# PLANTATIONS

As a landowner/occupier you are required under Section 33 of the Bush Fires Act 1954 to carry out fire prevention work on your property in accordance with the provisions of this order. **Please read this notice carefully.** If there are any points that you do not fully understand, please contact the Community Rangers during office hours on 9727 0222 to discuss. **Failure to comply with this notice will result in an on the spot fine of \$250 and may also result in a \$5,000 penalty.**

### REGULATED BURNING TIMES

#### **Restricted Burning Period—Permit Required**

2 November to 14 December inclusive\*

#### **Prohibited Burning Period**

15 December to 14 March inclusive\*

#### **Restricted Burning Period—Permit Required**

15 March to 26 April inclusive\*

**\*Weather conditions may result in these dates being changed.** Your local Fire Control Officer or the Shire Office will be able to assist you with details of any changes.

To obtain a permit to conduct a burn during the Restricted Burning Period please contact your local Fire Control Officer. Further information about obtaining a permit can be found on our website.



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**Minimum Fire Hazard Removal Requirements**

(All work must be completed by 30 November 2017 and maintained until 26 April 2018)

- All property boundaries will have a 15 metre wide firebreak installed. The first 10 metres from the boundary line inward must be completely cleared to raw mineral state. The remaining 5 metres inward towards the trees may be kept as a low fuel zone.
- Plantation area must be subdivided into areas not greater than 30 hectares, each area separated by a 6 metre wide firebreak (to raw mineral state). All trees within the firebreak must be pruned to a minimum vertical clearance height of 4 metres.
- Power lines that are adjacent to or pass through a plantation area must have a firebreak installed along them in accordance with Western Powers requirements. Please contact Western Power directly to confirm what their requirements are each year as they are subject to change.

**All properties will be inspected each year** to ensure all required work has been completed and is being maintained. Inspections commence December 1.

**'LOW FUEL ZONE':** an area where all dead trees, dead shrubs, leaf litter and trash has been removed, and all living trees have had any dead branches removed to a height of 1.5 metres. Established and well maintained grassed and garden areas are considered to be low fuel zones.

All fires are to be reported to emergency services by calling:

**000**

Any complaints/enquiries regarding illegal fires should be reported to the Community Rangers using the telephone numbers at the back of this notice.

**'RAW MINERAL STATE':** means a maintained strip of bare earth where all vegetation and other flammable materials have been removed.

