

Council

**POLICY REVIEW – BUSH FIRE PERMITS TO BURN  
DURING PROHIBITED BURNING TIMES**

Policy with Changes

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**BUSH FIRE – PERMITS TO BURN DURING PROHIBITED BURNING TIMES**

DIVISION	BUSINESS UNIT	RESPONSIBILITY AREA
Works and Services	Regulatory Services	Fire Protection

**OBJECTIVE**

To provide direction to -Bush Fire Control Officers for about conditions that may to be applied to Permits to Burn during Prohibited Burning Times.

**POLICY****1. Scope**

**This policy applies to properties located within the Shire of Plantagenet.**

**2. Legislation/Standards**

Bush Fires Act 1954, Section 15A ;Bush Fire Control Officer issuing permits to burn to comply with directions of local government'

Bush Fires Act 1954, Section 23 'Burning during prohibited burning times'

Bush Fires Act 1954, Section 24 'Bush on land growing subterranean clover may be burnt during prohibited burning times'

**Bush Fires Act 1954, Section 24A 'Bush on land in prescribed irrigation areas may be burnt during prohibited times for purpose of germinating clover.**

**3. Application of Policy**

1. The Chief Bush Fire Control Officer, in consultation with the Chief Fire Weather Officer and other Fire Control Officers, may issue a permit to burn during prohibited burning times with the following conditions. The Council will, pursuant to the Bush Fires Act 1954, Bush Fires Regulations 15A, which authorises a local government to issue directions to a bush fire control officer as to the manner in which or the conditions under which permits to burn shall be issued by that officer, direct that:

- a).- Protective burning around buildings as prescribed in Section 23 of the Bush Fires Act may be permitted throughout the Prohibited Burning Time during the hours of 4.00pm to 12.00am (midnight) on the same day, upon receipt of a permit to burn.
  - b).- Permits to burn for on a Sunday shall not be issued during the Prohibited Burning Times.
  - c. Permits to burn shall not be issued for Christmas Day or Good Friday.
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- d. Permits to burn bush on land growing subterranean clover for the purpose of harvesting ~~subterranean clover~~ shall not be issued ~~during the Prohibited Times~~ except by the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer, Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officers or the Chief Executive Officer.
- e. Permits issued ~~by the clover burning officers during the Prohibited Burning Times~~ to burn on land growing subterranean clover ~~pursuant to Sections 24 and 24A of the Bush Fires Act 1954~~ shall not be for areas exceeding 75 hectares.

**ADOPTED: 22 OCTOBER 2002**

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