

Policy Number	Policy Title
CP02	Bush Fire Management

OBJECTIVE

To provide property owners with the Firebreak Notice advising compliance information, thereby ensuring precautions are taken to reduce the bush fire risk within the Shire of Irwin.

POLICY

The Shire of Irwin is to prepare and post a firebreak notice each year to all land owners, notifying owners/occupiers to comply with the firebreak notice.

Community Rangers are required to conduct an annual firebreak inspection program in accordance with Section 33 of the Bushfires Act 1954. All firebreaks are required to be completed as per the firebreak notice except where exemptions and variations may apply.

Variations

Variations to firebreaks may be applied for in writing to the Shire of Irwin for permission to provide firebreaks in an alternative position, or to take alternative bush fire preventative action. This application must be received as specified in the firebreak notice.

Harvesting restrictions

The Shire of Irwin may impose a harvest and/or heavy vehicle movement ban when adverse fire weather conditions are experienced.

Harvesting and/or heavy vehicle movement is not permitted to take place on Christmas Day, Boxing Day or New Year's Day or during any harvest ban.

Non-Compliance

Warning and penalties may be applicable for a failure to comply with the requirements of the firebreak notice.

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