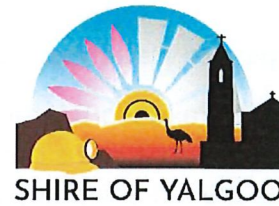


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Fire-Break Notice



Fire Hazard Compliance Notice 2026/2027

Bush Fires Act 1954

This Fire-Break/Hazard Compliance Notice is issued by the Shire of Yalgoo pursuant to Section 33 of the Bush Fires Act 1954 to assist with the prevention, control and extinguishment of bush fires or to prevent the spread or extension of a bush fire to any adjoining land.

All property owners and/or occupiers of land within the Shire of Yalgoo are hereby served with a first and final Fire-Break / Hazard Compliance Notice (the Notice) and are required to comply with the requirements in full from the 1st October 2026 up to and including the 30th April 2027 (unless a requirement exists for the whole year).

Regardless of land size and location, the Shire or its Bush Fire Control Officers may require additional work to be undertaken on a property to improve access, and/or undertake further works to reduce a hazard that may be conducive to preventing an outbreak and/or the spread or extension of a bush fire.

Failure or neglect to comply with this notice is an offence and may result in a penalty of up to \$5,000 plus costs to carry out the required work

Land within the Yalgoo Townsite

- Ensure that all long grass and weeds are slashed, mowed or trimmed to a height no greater than 75mm across your entire property.
- Gutters, roofs and walls of buildings to be free of flammable matter.
- All flammable material must be removed from an area 3 meters in width immediately surrounding all buildings and an area 3 meters in width inside of all property boundaries.
- Ensure that all properties can be accessed (via a driveway or similar ingress) by an emergency services vehicle 3 meters in width and a vertical clearance of 4 meters.

Fuel Dumps and Batteries (home systems and battery banks)

On all land where fuel drum ramps and batteries are located and where fuel drums, whether containing fuel or not, are stored. Clear and maintain an additional firebreak at least four metres wide around any drum, ramp, bund, stack of drums and batteries. Consider bunding of battery banks to prevent water runoff.

Land Outside of the Yalgoo Townsite

- Firebreaks must be cleared at least 3 meters in width, fully encircling or surrounding, and not more than 20 meters from the perimeter of any building or group of buildings.
- All flammable material must be removed from an area 3 meters in width immediately surrounding all buildings.
- *Buildings* outside of the townsite include any and all infrastructure related to commercial activities such as pastoral, mining and accommodation including homesteads, sheds, power generation etc.
- Gutters, roofs and walls of occupied buildings to be free of flammable matter.
- Firebreaks are a strip of mineral earth free of all flammable material with the intention of minimising the spread or extension of a bushfire and provide safe access on the property for emergency vehicles and other firefighting operations.

Camping and Cooking Fires – applies year round

A fire may be lit for the purposes of camping and cooking, with the following conditions:

- The Australian Fire Danger Rating (AFDRS) is not High, Extreme or Catastrophic
- A Total Fire Ban or Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban has not been issued
- The fire is to be no more than 1 meter in diameter and is no closer than 3 meters from any flammable material including logs or stumps.
- A fire extinguisher, fire blanket or sufficient water must be available to the person managing the campfire and it must be fully extinguished before the user leaves.

Burning Periods

- a) Restricted burning period – 1 October to 30 April following
- b) Prohibited burning period – 15 November to 31 March following

Firebreaks should be maintained for the whole of the restricted period

If it is considered for any reason to be impractical to clear firebreaks or remove inflammable material as required by this notice, you may apply to the Council or it's duly authorised officer not later than 1 October for permission to provide firebreaks in alternative positions or take alternative action to remove or abate any fire hazard. If permission is not granted by this Council or it's duly authorised officer you shall comply with the requirements of this notice.