Bush Fire Brigade Fire Control Officers

Permit Issuing Officers *

Morawa Town Volunteer Fire Service (UHF 11)

Kevin Beattie FCO*		0428288574
Greg Speedy	99711254	0429378850

Canna/ Gutha (UHF 11)

Jerome Short FCO*		0429 723 060
Wayne Oliver FCO*		0429 615 271

Morawa West (UHF 11)

Darren Yewers (Capt.) *	99716013	0427 981 364
Michael Payne	99716067	0427 000 000
Michael Sasse	99716043	0000 000 000

Koolanooka (UHF 11)

Glen Tapscott (Capt.) *	99714018	0420 000 000

Pinthharuka (UHF 11)

Gary North*	99717020	0427 717 020
Mark Coaker	99716087	

Shire Office

Office 99711204

Community Eermgency Services Manager

Rick Ryan CESM *	99541 001	0417697896

Tree plantations of more than 3 hectares but less than 10 hectares

Construct a 10 m wide mineral earth firebreak with a vertical clearance of 4m high; clear of all inflammable material immediately surrounding the plantation (adjacent areas of the same property subject to provisions as for rural land)

Plantations larger than 10 hectares

Comply with the Code of Practise for Timber Plantations in the Western Australia Guideline for Plantation Fire Protection, A copy is available from the Shire of Morawa upon request

PERMITS AND PENALTIES

Chief Bush Fire Control Officer

Robert Kowald*	99722065	0429 722065

Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer

Glen Tapscott	99711187	0427 711 187
Darren Yewers	99716013	0427 981 364

Community Emergency Services Manager

Rick Ryan	99541001	0417 697 896

Fire Weather Officer

Colin Malcolm	99711187	0427 711 187

Contractors

Greg Johnson	0428 641 471

Or your local Fire Brigade

PENALTIES

Failure to maintain a firebreak as per firebreak order	$250
Offence relating lighting a fire in the open air	$250
Setting fire to bush during prohibited burning period	$250
Failure of Occupier to extinguish a bushfire	$250
Refusal to state name and abode or stating a false name and abode	$100
Failure to produce permit to burn	$100

Fire Control Officers are not obliged to issue permits. Permits cannot be issued over the phone and should a Fire Control Officer refuse to issue a permit, it is a breach of the Bush Fires Act 1954 to request a permit from another Fire Control Officer

MORAWA
BREAKING NEW GROUND

Fire Break Notice
Section 33 B F A

Prohibited Burning Period

1st November to 31st January

STRICTLY NO BURNING

Restricted Burning Period

15th October to 31st October

1st February to 15th March

PERMITS ARE REQUIRED

000 EMERGENCY

FIRST AND FINAL notice is hereby served to all residents and ratepayers

Failure to install and maintain firebreaks in accordance with this notice may result in a $5,000 fine.

Harvesting Operations

1. No harvesting operations are permitted on **Christmas Day**, **Boxing Day** and **New Years Day**. A separate fire fighting fire appliance is required to be present in any paddock being harvested, chaining , raking stubble , straw baling and associated allied activities during restricted and prohibited periods. The fire fighting unit must be in a state of readiness and have a minimum capacity of 400 litres of water, a powered pump and hose. The farm fire fighting unit should be parked on bare ground in or near the harvesting or working area.

2. A Harvesting and Movement Ban and Use of Internal Combustion Engines (except for the watering and movement of stock) will be imposed when the actual weather conditions reach a Fire Danger (FDI) rating of thirty five (35) or above at the weather stations of two (2) bush Fire Control officers All such bans are at the discretion of the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer or a duly appointed person

HARVEST BAN INFORMATION LINE
94785677

If a ban has been imposed, all persons registered will be sent a text message advising of details. All bans will still be broadcast on radio

ABC State wide AM

WAFM 90.9

Radio West 864 AM

Note– Attention of landowners is drawn to the fact that this order allows for provision of firebreaks in situations other than immediately with property boundaries subject to approval. The Chief Bush Fire Control Officer and appointed Fire Control Officers have been authorised to act for Council in this matter

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BUSH FIRES ACT 1954 AS AMENDED

Notice is hereby given to all landowners/occupiers within the Shire of Mowawa that fire-breaks must be installed on or by 1st October and maintained of flammable material up to and including 15th March as per requirements in relation to Section 33 of the above

PROPERTIES WILL BE INSPECTED TO ENSURE THEY COMPLY WITH COUNCILS REQUIREMENTS

1. TOWNSITES

On or before 1st October all town lots within the town sites of Morawa, Gutha, Koolanooka Merkanooka , Pintharuka and Canna are required to be treated as follows. Where the area of land is less than 3,000m2, the property must be cleared, mowed, slashed to a MAXIMUM height of 7.5 cm of all flammable material.

Where the area of the land is 3,000m² or more, a firebreak must be provided not less than 3 metres in width inside and along the whole of the external boundaries of the properties owned or occupied and all flammable material must be cleared 3 m distance from all buildings and/or haystacks situated on the land and maintained free of such material until the 15th March.

FUEL STORAGE SITES

On or before the 1st October all grass and similar material is to be cleared from such places where fuel is stored/located and where drums ,empty or full, are stored and such areas to be maintained cleared of grass and similar flammable material until 15th March.

FARM BUILDINGS AND UNATTENDED ELECTRIC MOTORS AND HAY STACKS

Fire breaks at least 3 metres in width completely surrounding and not more than 20 metres from the perimeter of any building, group of buildings or haystacks, All flammable material must be removed from an area 3 metres in width immediately surrounding the building. All flammable material must be removed from an area 3 metres in width immediately surrounding an unattended electric motor site

UNATTENDED FUEL OPERATED MOTORS

All flammable material must be removed from an area 3 metres in width immediately surrounding an unattended fuel operated motor whether the motor is intended to be used or not.

5. RURAL LAND

Firebreaks must be provided not less than 3 metres in width inside and along the whole of the external boundaries of the properties owned or occupied: where this is not practicable the firebreaks must be provided as near as possible to, and within, such boundaries

6. BARBEQUES AND INCINERATORS

Gas and electric barbeques are permitted any time. Solid fuel barbeques and incinerators are PROHIBITED on days of VERY HIGH FIRE DANGER or above .

7. PENALTY

The penalty for failing to comply with this notice is a fine of up to $400 and a person in default is also liable , whether prosecuted or not, to pay the cost of performing the work in this notice, if it is not carried out by the owner or Occupier by the date required by this notice