



## LO1 Bush Fire Control – Camping and Cooking Fires

### Policy Objective

Council in consultation with the Bushfire Advisory Committee (BFAC) is to determine specific discretionary conditions and dates for approved camping and cooking fires.

### Policy

That in accordance with the provisions of Section 25 (1a) of the *Bush Fires Act 1954*, the lighting of fires in the open air in the Shire of Ravensthorpe, for the purpose of camping and cooking is prohibited during the prohibited burning times, except in the Starvation and Mason Bay Camping areas and Hopetoun Caravan Park.

Lighting of fires in the open air in the Shire of Ravensthorpe, for the purpose of camping and cooking, is permitted during the period 30 April to 19 September, without a permit to burn.

### **Conditions of Use:**

- Fires cannot be lit when there is a Total Fire Ban
- Fires cannot be lit, or must be extinguished, if the Shire calls a Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban in Harvest Zone 4 in the Shire
- Fires must be contained within a suitable enclosure ie cement or steel fire pit, barbecue or similar
- Fires must not be lit within 3 metres of the bush or other inflammable material
- Fires must be extinguished fully after use.
- Wood, including kindling, must be supplied by campers from outside the Shire camping areas.

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<b>Legislation:</b> Section 25 (1a) [No fire to be lit in open air unless certain precautions taken] of the Bush Fires Act 1954		
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