

HOW FIREPROOF IS YOUR PLAN?

Create or update your bushfire plan today.

Visit mybushfireplan.wa.gov.au or download the app.

MARCH 2023: RESTRICTED BURN PERIOD



Restricted burning period

Burning permits are required for all burning in the open from 1 March to 30 April and 15 October to 30 November each year.

Burn permits: You may apply for a burn permit through your local Volunteer Rural Bushfire Brigade, Fire Chief Officer. Permits are issued at the discretion of the FCO.

Yallingup FCO: 0419 945 348/ 0408 745 558

Dunsborough FCO: 0427 479 856

Cooking fires: The lighting of camping and/or cooking fires is prohibited at all times on public land. Cooking fires are permitted if the fire danger rating is Moderate or below.

Fire pits, chimineas or braziers: Fire pits, chimineas or braziers may be used outside if the Fire Danger Rating is Moderate or below.

Burning: A Permit to Burn is required for the burning of garden refuse in Rural Residential and Rural Areas during Restricted Burning Times (see above).



Check your smoke alarms today

Working smoke alarms save lives. If you don't have working smoke alarms in your house, you should install them as soon as possible. Most house fires that result in injury or death occur at night, when people are asleep. Early warning of a fire is critical and could be the difference between life and death, which is why smoke alarms are so important.

Maintaining Smoke Alarms:

- Use a vacuum cleaner to remove dust and cobwebs every 6 months.
- Press the 'test' button monthly to ensure it is working correctly.
- If your smoke alarm has a user replaceable battery, change it every year.
- Beeping or chirping means a low battery or fault with your smoke alarm.
- A recommended replacement date is printed on the side or base of the alarm.
- All smoke alarms, regardless of type or model, need to be replaced every 10 years.
- Make a home fire safety plan, so all residents understand how to leave quickly and safely.
- Check in with your family and neighbours, especially if they are elderly or have been in their home for many years. Ask if they need help maintaining or inspecting their smoke alarms.

In case of fire:

- To increase your chance of getting out of your home safely in a fire, have a home fire escape plan.
- If your home is on fire, evacuate immediately, go to your safe meeting place, such as your letterbox, and phone 000.
- Do not re-enter a burning house for any reason. Wait for firefighters to arrive.

For more information on smoke alarms and home fire safety, visit <https://www.dfes.wa.gov.au/hazard-information/fire-in-the-home/smoke-alarms>

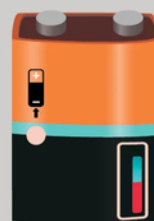
CHECK YOUR SMOKE ALARMS

Replace your smoke alarm every 10 years, regardless of the type of smoke alarm you have.

Test your smoke alarm regularly by holding down the test button until you hear a loud alert tone, then release.

Replace by Feb 2024

Replace your batteries every year. Mains powered alarms have back-up batteries that may need replacing.



Use a soft brush to gently clean your smoke alarm.



For more information visit dfes.wa.gov.au



MY BUSHFIRE PLAN

What will you do if there is a bushfire?
A bushfire plan can help keep you and your family safe. Create one in under 15 minutes at MyBushfirePlan.wa.gov.au or on the app.

My Bushfire Plan

DFES has created an easy to use app to help you and your family make a bushfire plan.

Your plan is created by answering a series of prompts and questions. From the answers a bushfire action plan is created to help guide you in the case of a bushfire emergency.

Visit [My Bushfire Plan](https://MyBushfirePlan.wa.gov.au)