

STATE FIRE COMMISSION

TOTAL FIRE BAN DECLARATION

In accordance with section 70 of the *Fire Service Act 1979*, a Total Fire Ban is declared from 2am on **Tuesday 29 October 2019** until 2am on **Wednesday 30 October 2019**.

THE TOTAL FIRE BAN APPLIES TO THE FOLLOWING MUNICIPALITIES:

SOUTHERN

Brighton	Hobart
Central Highlands	Huon Valley
Clarence	Kingborough
Derwent Valley	Sorell
Glamorgan/Spring Bay	Southern Midlands
Glenorchy	Tasman



DURING A TOTAL FIRE BAN:

- No fires can be lit in the open air on any land for any purpose except those used in fire suppression by Tasmania Fire Service, Sustainable Timber Tasmania and Parks and Wildlife Service.
- The occupier of the land where a fire occurs during this declaration shall immediately, after becoming aware of the fire:
 - Take diligent steps to extinguish the fire or to prevent it from spreading; and
 - Report the fire to Tasmania Fire Service by calling '000'.
- All fire permits granted will be suspended for the duration of the ban.
- No fire permits will be issued during this declaration.
- Gas stoves and gas or electric barbecues may be used provided they are clear of flammable material for a distance of one metre.
- Cutting and welding machines or other apparatus may be used in the emergency restoration of critical infrastructure including transport, communications, electricity, gas, water and sewerage, provided a hot works permit has been issued by Tasmania Fire Service and identified risk mitigation measures have been put in place.
- Operators of machinery are to comply with the TFS "machinery Operations Guideline" in relation to operating under Total Fire Ban declarations.

For more information visit fire.tas.gov.au or freecall 1800 000 699

The Tasmania Fire Service has a number of online resources to help you plan for bushfires including Bushfire Survival Plans and Community Protection Plans. Visit fire.tas.gov.au today.

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