

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 **Friday 11 January 2019** until 2am on **Saturday 12 January 2019**.

THE TOTAL FIRE BAN APPLIES TO THE FOLLOWING MUNICIPALITIES:

SOUTHERN

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



DURING A TOTAL FIRE BAN:

- (a) No fires can be lit in the open air on any land for any purpose.
- (b) The occupier of the land where a fire occurs, on becoming aware of the fire, must immediately:
 - i. Take diligent steps to extinguish the fire or prevent it from spreading; and
 - ii. Report the fire to Tasmania Fire Service by calling '000'.
- (c) All fire permits granted cease to have effect.
- (d) No fire permits will be issued during this declaration.
- (e) Gas stoves and gas or electric barbecues may be used provided they are clear of flammable material for a distance of one (1) metre.
- (f) 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 work permit has been issued by Tasmania Fire Service.
- (g) 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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