

# Fire ban Information



## In a Fire Ban:

- no fire may be lit in the open air
- all permits to burn are void
- if you are using fire immediately before a Fire Ban is declared, you must put the fire out
- you may still have a gas or coal BBQ

## Can I still have a cooking fire?

You can have a small cooking fire but only if:

- the fire is only alight while cooking or boiling water
- there is a clear area 4m around the fire
- there is always someone present
- the fire is thoroughly extinguished immediately after cooking is complete

**If you start an illegal fire during a Fire Ban, you could be prosecuted and face imprisonment.**

## When is a Fire Ban announced?

The decision to declare a Fire Ban is usually made in the afternoon for the following day.

A Fire Ban most often starts at midnight and continues for 24 hours.

If weather conditions worsen unexpectedly, a fire ban may be declared immediately for the remainder of the day.

## How do I find out if there is a Fire Ban?

- Visit [secure.nt.gov.au](http://secure.nt.gov.au)
- Listen to ABC local radio's morning news and weather forecasts
- Subscribe to [newsroom.nt.gov.au](http://newsroom.nt.gov.au) to receive Fire Ban advice messages
- Look out for roadside signs
- Monitor our social media pages
  - [facebook.com/BushfiresNT](https://facebook.com/BushfiresNT)
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