

Note:
 If you are unable to meet burning conditions contact
 Wairarapa Rural Fire
 06 3709557 or the Duty Officer 0272242247



Fire Type	Definition of Fire Types	Can I burn?			Specific Burning Conditions What you need to do
		Open Season	Restricted Season	Fire Ban	
Gas Fired BBQ/Cooking Fires	Any gas or solid fuel container that is designed to be used primarily for cooking food in the open air.	Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions Permit not required	Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions Permit not required	Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions Permit not required	The BBQ/cooking fire is no closer than 5 metres to any building, fence, hedge or other combustible material
					A water supply sufficient to control any spread of fire must be available - mains pressure hose is best, or a number of buckets filled and ready
					Do not leave the fire unattended
					Completely extinguish fire prior to leaving area
					Read and comply with the 'Standard Burning Conditions' which can be found on this web page.
Camp Fires	Fire in the open for the purposes of warmth and/or cooking	Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions Permit not required	Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions Permit required	No fires allowed	Maintain clear area free of any combustible material of five metres clear from any trees or any overhanging vegetation, logs or any dry vegetation
					A water supply sufficient to control any spread of fire must be available - mains pressure hose is best, or a number of buckets filled and ready
					Not to be lit on beaches above high tide mark
					Not to be lit where notices and advertising are present which specify the lighting of fires only in other types of receptacle or place
					Do not leave the fire unattended
					All fire to be extinguished fully when burning completed
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Hangi/Umu	Traditional Maori and Pacific Island way of cooking food in the ground.	Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions Permit not required	Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions Permit required	No fires allowed	The hangi/umu is no closer than 10 metres to any building, fence, hedge or other combustible material
					A water supply sufficient to control any spread of fire must be available - mains pressure hose is best, or a number of buckets filled and ready
					Do not leave the fire unattended
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Hedge Trimmings	Piled up trimmings from hedges where the limbs are smaller than 75 mm in diameter	Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions Permit not required	Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions Permit required	No fires allowed	Trimmings are to be stacked at least 30 metres away and on the downwind side of any shelter belt, trees, fences, buildings or other combustible material
					The fire is only to be lit with a wind blowing away from any shelter belt, trees, fences, buildings or other combustible material
					Do not light if strong winds are forecast for the following 48 hours while burning.
					All fire to be extinguished fully when burning completed
					No burning in wind above 15 km/hr; or 11 km/hr if within 100 metres of tussock or sprayed grass; or 5 km/hr if within 100 metres of scrub or Wetland areas
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Incinerator	A drum/container designed to prevent the escape of hot ash or fire.	Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions Permit not required	Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions Permit required	No fires allowed	The incinerator is designed to prevent the escape of fire and ashes (including a mesh or solid lid)
					The incinerator is no closer than 5 metres to any building, tree, hedge, fence or other combustible material
					A water supply sufficient to control any spread of fire must be available - mains pressure hose is best, or a number of buckets filled and ready
					All embers and ashes are totally extinguished after burning
					The incinerator is only to be lit during daylight hours and must be extinguished before dark
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Offal Hole	A hole excavated for the purpose of disposing of offal and dead carcasses.	Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions Permit not required	Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions Permit required	No fires allowed	There must be a cleared area of at least 30 metres from any other combustible material
					A water supply sufficient to control any spread of fire must be available
					The fire must be lit with a positive wind away from any danger area
					All fire to be extinguished fully when burning completed
					No burning in wind above 15 km/hr; or 11 km/hr if within 100 metres of tussock or sprayed grass; or 5 km/hr if within 100 metres of scrub or Wetland areas
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Brazier	A grate type heating appliance designed to be used outdoors with wood.	Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions Permit not required	Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions Permit required	No fires allowed	Maintain a clear area of 5 metres free of any combustible material around brazier
					Brazier not to be used in winds above 15 km/hr.
					A water supply sufficient to control any spread of fire must be available - mains pressure hose is best, or a number of buckets filled and ready
					All fire to be extinguished fully when burning completed
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Bonfire	Pile of wood and/or vegetation and/or rubbish (no plastics or tyres)	Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions Permit not required	Yes An inspection may be required Permit required	No fires allowed	The bonfire is to be stacked at least 30 metres away and on the downwind side of any shelter belt, trees, fences, buildings or other combustible material.
					A water supply sufficient to control any spread of fire must be available
					Obtain a long range weather forecast with no strong winds forecast for the following 48 hours while burning
					Do not leave fire unattended
					All fire to be extinguished fully when burning completed or by expiry of permit
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Windrows	A continuous row of cut or root raked vegetation that has been formed using a dozer or excavator. Rows can be 20 m to much longer.	Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions Permit not required	Yes An inspection may be required Permit required	No fires allowed	A prescribed burning plan may be required prior to a fire permit being issued. All conditions noted in the prescribed burning plan must be met.
					Obtain a long range weather forecast with no strong winds forecast for the following 48 hours while burning
					Maintain clear area of 30 metres free of any combustible material around perimeter of burn site of either bare/worked ground or green grass
					Have a tractor with front end loader or digger on site while burning
					The fire must be lit with a positive wind away from any danger area
					No burning in wind above 15 km/hr; or 11 km/hr if within 100 metres of tussock or sprayed grass; or 5 km/hr if within 100 metres of scrub or Wetland areas
					A water supply and other resources sufficient to control any spread of fire must be available during burning
					The fire is to be regularly patrolled until it is out
					Notify neighbours on the day of burning prior to lighting up
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Heaps and Piles	Area of vegetation that has been stacked up by mechanical means for burning,	<p>Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions</p> <p>Permit not required</p>	<p>Yes An inspection may be required</p> <p>A prescribed burning plan may be required prior to a fire permit being issued. All conditions noted in the prescribed burning plan must be met.</p> <p>Permit required</p>	No fires allowed	Obtain a long range weather forecast with no strong winds forecast for the following 48 hours while burning
					Maintain clear area of 30 metres free of any combustible material around perimeter of burn site of either bare/worked ground or green grass
					Have a tractor with front end loader or digger on site while burning
					The fire must be lit with a positive wind away from any danger area
					No burning in wind above 15 km/hr; or 11 km/hr if within 100 metres of tussock or sprayed grass; or 5 km/hr if within 100 metres of scrub or Wetland areas
					A water supply and other resources sufficient to control any spread of fire must be available during burning.
					Notify neighbours on the day of burning prior to lighting up
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Land Clearing	An area of broadcast vegetation (standing or felled), possibly mixed fuel types and may be sprayed or unsprayed for the purpose of land preparation.	<p>Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions</p> <p>Permit not required</p>	<p>Yes An inspection may be required</p> <p>Permit required</p>	No fires allowed	A prescribed burning plan may be required prior to a fire permit being issued. All conditions noted in the prescribed burning plan must be met.
					The fire must be lit with a positive wind away from any danger area
					A water supply and other resources sufficient to control any spread of fire must be available during burning
					Obtain a long range weather forecast with no strong winds forecast for the following 48 hours while burning
					Maintain clear area of 30 metres free of any combustible material around perimeter of burn site of either bare/worked ground or green grass
					No burning in wind above 15 km/hr; or 11 km/hr if within 100 metres of tussock or sprayed grass; or 5 km/hr if within 100 metres of scrub or Wetland areas
					The fire is to be regularly patrolled until it is out
					All fire to be extinguished fully when burning completed or by expiry of permit
					Notify neighbours on the day of burning prior to lighting up
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Stubble	Residue from harvested crop	Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions Permit not required	Yes An inspection may be required Permit required	No fires allowed	The field to be burned is to be turned over to bare earth to a width of at least 4 metres around its perimeter to provide an effective firebreak
					Notify neighbours on the day of burning prior to lighting up
					A water supply and other resources sufficient to control any spread of fire must be available during burning
					The fire is not to be lit before 1.00 pm
					The fire is to be patrolled and not left unattended until it is out
					All fire to be extinguished fully when burning completed or by expiry of permit
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Burning of Sprayed Light Fuels	Sprayed light/flashy material such as rushes/cutty grass over an area which requires more specific burning conditions than general land clearing or stubble.	Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions Permit not required	Yes An inspection may be required Permit required	No fires allowed	Maintain a fire break of either worked ground or green grass to a width of at least 4 metres around the perimeter
					Notify neighbours on the day of burning prior to lighting up
					A water supply and other resources sufficient to control any spread of fire must be available during burning
					The fire must be lit with a positive wind away from any danger area
					No burning in wind above 15 km/hr; or 11 km/hr if within 100 metres of tussock or sprayed grass; or 5 km/hr if within 100 metres of scrub or Wetland areas
					Obtain a long range weather forecast with no strong winds forecast for the following 48 hours while burning
					The fire is to be patrolled and not left unattended until it is out
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Burning of Standing Structures	Disposal of standing structures by burning.	Yes Provided you can meet the specific burning conditions Permit not required	Yes An inspection may be required Permit required	No fires allowed.	Obtain any relevant resource consent(s) and demolition permit(s) from which maybe required from local and regional councils.
					A water supply and other resources sufficient to control any spread of fire must be available during burning
					Maintain clear area free of any combustible material of 30 metres unless specified otherwise
					Fire is not to be lit during period of high winds or periods of high fire danger
					No burning in wind above 15 km/hr; or 11 km/hr if within 100 metres of tussock or sprayed grass; or 5 km/hr if within 100 metres of scrub or Wetland areas
					All fire to be extinguished fully when burning completed or by expiry of permit
					Notify the Rural Fire Authority when planning this activity. The Fire Service and Rural Fire Authority may use this as a training exercise and provide extra protection assistance.
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