

# TOTAL FIRE BAN DECLARATION

In accordance with section 70 of the *Fire Service Act 1979*, a Total Fire Ban is declared from 2am on **Thursday 24 January 2019** until 2am on **Monday 28 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

### NORTHERN

Break O'Day  
Dorset  
George Town  
Launceston  
Meander Valley  
Northern Midlands  
West Tamar  
Flinders

### NORTH WEST

Burnie  
Central Coast  
Circular Head  
Devonport  
Kentish  
Latrobe  
Waratah/Wynyard  
West Coast  
King Island



## 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](http://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](http://fire.tas.gov.au) today.**

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