

# WHY RISK IT?

STOP BUSHFIRES STARTING THIS SEASON

# PREVENTING CRIME

## CAMPFIRE BUSHFIRE PREVENTION

Campfires can quickly get out of control and start a bushfire. Help keep everyone safe by following these simple rules:

- Before you light a campfire, check the Fire Danger Rating and whether a Total Fire Ban has been declared by visiting the CFS website: [cfs.sa.gov.au](https://cfs.sa.gov.au).
- During the Fire Danger Season you **must** ensure any fire you light is:
  - Contained in a properly constructed fire place or in a 30cm deep trench and be no more than ONE square metre in size (height and width).
  - The space immediately around and above the fire is clear of all flammable vegetation to a distance of at least FOUR metres.
  - A responsible person is in attendance at all times with water or an appropriate extinguisher on hand.
  - The fire is **completely out** before you leave it.
- Above ground fires such as chimineas, fire drums and braziers are only permitted with the appropriate permits.
- Check with your council to see what fuel you can burn. Some councils only allow the burning of charcoal to comply with the Environment Protection Authority legislation.
- If a Total Fire Ban Day has been declared in your Fire Ban District you **must not** have a campfire, or light a fire for warmth or comfort without a council permit.
- No fires, including BBQs and campfires, are permitted in Forestry SA land and forest reserves between November 30 and April 30 each year or on Total Fire Ban Days. Gas BBQs may be permitted under certain conditions. For enquiries, contact the relevant forestry reserve office.
- Strict regulations apply to all fires including BBQs in National Parks and Wildlife Reserves. When fires are permitted they can only be lit in designated areas; signs will be placed at park entrances. Many National Parks and Wildlife Reserves have total bans on the use of wood fires. For further information, contact the relevant park office. **No fires are permitted on Total Fire Ban Days in these locations.**

**Deliberately, recklessly or negligently starting a bushfire is a serious offence and will result in criminal proceedings.**


Visit the CFS website: [cfs.sa.gov.au](https://cfs.sa.gov.au) for full details of what you can and cannot do during the Fire Danger Season.

Visit the South Australia Police website: [police.sa.gov.au](https://police.sa.gov.au) for more bushfire prevention fact sheets and information.



## CAMPFIRES

If there is a fire or imminent risk of a fire call **Emergency Triple Zero (000)**. If you see anything suspicious immediately call the **Police Assistance Line on 131 444**. If you have any information about who is deliberately lighting fires or engaging in reckless or negligent fire behaviour call **Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000**.

 Download the free **Emergency+ app** which contains useful contact numbers for emergency services.

The **Emergency+ app** is developed by Australia's emergency services and their government and industry partners, and uses **GPS functionality** built into smart phones to help a Triple Zero (000) caller provide critical location details to assist **emergency services**.

