

LIGHTING FIRES

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Lighting a fire larger than 2 metres in all directions may require authorisation under the [Fire and Emergency Services Act 1990](#).

Unreasonable interference with an environmental value from smoke is an environmental nuisance under the Environmental Protection Act 1990.

Fires are prohibited on any Local Government-controlled area (including beaches) unless in a Council constructed fireplace or BBQ.

You should not light, maintain or leave unattended a fire outdoors if the fire:

- Is within 100 metres of a residence.
- Persistently occurs or continues to such a degree it unreasonably interferes with the peace, comfort or social wellbeing of a reasonable person.
- Causes environmental nuisance at a sensitive place as defined under Environmental Protection Act 1990.
- Causes unreasonable annoyance or distress and exposes property to risk, damage or destruction by fire.
- Is injurious or prejudicial to health.
- Disrupts or inhibits an activity ordinarily carried out on adjoining or nearby residential premises.

However, fires 100 metres from a residence do not apply to a fire which is kept contained, within a fireplace that is no larger than 1m², if used for the purpose of cooking or heating.

Further Information

For further information contact Council at 1300 763 903 or email enquiries@cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au.