FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

FE301

Bush Fires Act 1954

Bush Fires Regulations Amendment Regulations 2022

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Made by the Governor in Executive Council.

Part 1 — Preliminary

1. Citation

These regulations are the Bush Fires Regulations Amendment Regulations 2022.

2. Commencement

These regulations come into operation as follows —

- (a) Part 1 on the day on which these regulations are published in the *Gazette*;
- (b) the rest of the regulations on 1 September 2022.

Part 2 — Bush Fires (Infringements) Regulations 1978 amended

3. Regulations amended

This Part amends the Bush Fires (Infringements) Regulations 1978.

4. First Schedule amended

In the First Schedule in item 6A delete "very high" and insert:

high

Part 3 — Bush Fires Regulations 1954 amended

5. Regulations amended

This Part amends the Bush Fires Regulations 1954.

6. Regulation 15B amended

In regulation 15B(7):

(a) delete "extreme", "severe" or "very high" and insert:

"extreme" or "high"

(b) delete "very high"." and insert:

"high".

7. Regulation 24C amended

- (1) In regulation 24C(2):
 - (a) delete "danger" and insert:

behaviour

(b) delete "35." and insert:

40.

- (2) Delete regulation 24C(3) and insert:
 - (3) For the purposes of subregulation (2), the bush fire behaviour index must be worked out
 - (a) using the "CSIRO Grassland Fire Spread Model"; and

- (b) using the following input variables
 - (i) for fuel condition "cut/grazed grassland";
 - (ii) for fuel load 4.5 tonnes per hectare.

8. Regulation 24I amended

Delete regulation 24I(2) and insert:

- (2) If the hot work is carried out within 30 m of land on which there is bush or which is under crop or pasture or stubble, there must be available for fire fighting
 - (a) if there is no fire danger forecast for the work site 500 L of water; and
 - (b) otherwise the volume of water set out in the Table according to the fire danger forecast for the work site at the time the hot work is carried out.

Table

Fire danger forecast for work site	Volume of fire fighting water required (L)
Moderate	1 000
High	1 500
Extreme	2 500

9. Regulation 24ZE amended

Delete regulation 24ZE(2) and insert:

- (2) There must be available for fire fighting
 - (a) if there is no fire danger forecast for the road site 500 L of water; and
 - (b) otherwise the volume of water set out in the Table according to the fire danger forecast for the road site at the time the road work is carried out.

Table

Fire danger forecast for road site	Volume of fire fighting water required (L)
Moderate	1 000

Fire danger forecast for road site	Volume of fire fighting water required (L)
High	1 500
Extreme	2 500

10. Regulation 33 amended

In regulation 33(13):

- (a) delete ""extreme", "severe" or "very high"," and insert:
 - "extreme" or "high",
- (b) delete "very high"." and insert:

"high".

11. Regulation 39CA amended

In regulation 39CA(1) in the definition of *prescribed period* paragraph (c) delete "extreme", "severe" or "very high"." and insert:

"extreme" or "high".

12. Appendix amended

In the Appendix Form 9 under the heading "EXTRACTS FROM REGULATIONS" in extracted regulation 33(13):

- (a) delete "extreme", "severe" or "very high"," and insert:
 - "extreme" or "high",
- (b) delete "very high"." and insert:

"high".

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