

BACKYARD

BURNING

There's nothing like sitting around a fire at the end of a chilly winter's day, enjoying the region's crisp air and a steak or snag with family and friends, however, please keep your neighbours in mind!

Under Council's Local Law you cannot light a fire that:

- Is not enclosed in a fireplace that is constructed to prevent the escape of fire or any burning material.
- Could cause irritation (smoke or fumes), annoyance or distress to others.
- Could be a risk to people or property.

Any fires bigger than 2x2m in diameter require a permit from Queensland Fire and Emergency Services.

HELPFUL HINTS



Contain your fire in a firepit that prevents fire and any burning materials from escaping.



Ensure there is always someone monitoring your fire.



Charcoal products should be used as fuel for your fire. This will ensure there is minimal smoke and maximum heat.



Don't use household green waste such as grass clippings. This should be disposed of in your general waste bin or at a Council waste facility.



Check the weather before lighting up.



Do not burn hazardous materials such as paints and chemicals.



Do not burn wet or green vegetation.



Communication is key! Talk to your neighbours if they have any concerns.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR REQUIRE FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT COUNCIL'S ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH TEAM ON 1300 007 662