

WARMS Member Information:

TOTAL FIRE BAN = NO FLYING

Why:

The committee has simply formalised the current State and Federal laws into a club rule for clarity, as we have now had the first Total Fire Bans for many years.

What:

Any liability from a decision to fly falls on the Pilot. Pilots are obliged to check official sources for Fire Bans. Sometimes there may also be a reminder notice on the whiteboard, sent by email or SMS but the absence of a club daily notice does not reduce Pilot responsibility to be informed of any Total Fire ban in Cockburn.

How to know:

How do I check if there's a Total Fire Ban in place?

- Emergency WA Website
- Call TFB Hotline on 1800 709 355
- Call 13 DFES (133 337)
- Follow DFES on Twitter
- Follow DFES on Facebook
- Listen to ABC local radio and other media outlets
- Look for local government roadside Fire Danger Rating signs

YES

NO

Region	Status	Updated
Claremont	Total Fire Bans are declared for today	16 hours ago
Cockburn	Total Fire Bans are declared for today	16 hours ago
Collie	Total Fire Bans are declared for today	16 hours ago
Coorow	Total Fire Bans are declared for today	16 hours ago
Corrigin	Total Fire Bans are declared for today	16 hours ago
Cottesloe	Total Fire Bans are declared for today	16 hours ago
Mukinbudin	No current Total Fire Ban	16 hours ago

Who says you can't:

In any area where there is bush, crops, pasture and stubble, you cannot use equipment powered by an internal combustion engine. You may be issued with a \$1,000 infringement...

www.dfes.wa.gov.au/safetyinformation/fire/bushfire/BushfireFactsheets/DFES_Bushfire_Factsheet-Total_Fire_Bans.pdf

LiPo battery-powered model aircraft should not be flown during periods of total fire bans.

www.casa.gov.au/sites/default/files/unmanned-aircraft-rockets-model-aircraft-advisory-circular-101-03.pdf Page 21

Gas turbine-powered model aircraft should not be flown during periods of total fire bans.

www.casa.gov.au/sites/default/files/unmanned-aircraft-rockets-model-aircraft-advisory-circular-101-03.pdf Page 24

The MAAA insurance policy only applies when ... any local requirements are complied with.

www.maaa.asn.au/images/pdfs/mops/MOP057-Policy-Insurance-Conditions-15-May-2016.pdf

Reminder:

Model aircraft must not be flown over an area where a fire, police or other public safety operation is being conducted. (CASA Direction 96/17)