



NEWS UPDATE



Local fire ban for Etheridge Shire residents

Queensland Fire Department (QFD) has imposed a local fire ban for Etheridge Shire Council residents.

The local fire ban will be in place from 0001hrs on Thursday 11 September for residents.

Current fire conditions are perfect for bushfires to ignite and spread quickly.

Under a local fire ban all open fires are prohibited and all Permits to Light Fire which have been issued in the designated areas have been suspended for the duration of the ban.

Power tools may be used during a local fire ban however QFD encourages people to use these with extreme care and ensure adequate equipment is available to extinguish any fire which may start.

This may include having a person available to watch out for any ignitions that occur.

The ban is expected to remain in place until 2359hrs on Wednesday 24 September.

Information on fire bans and the exemptions that can apply can be found on the QFD website fire.qld.gov.au/firebans.