



COUNCIL POLICY

Title: Small Rural Landholdings – Fire Hazard Management

Shire of
Kellerberrin

Responsible Officer: Deputy Chief Executive Officer

Version: Current

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to encourage rural landowners, in particular those with a total land area of less than 80 hectares (200 acres) to accept responsibility for their land in regards to fire hazard management and reduction.

2. SCOPE

This policy is applied to the Shire of Kellerberrin and its elected members and employees.

3. DEFINITIONS

4. STRATEGIC CONTEXT

This policy links to core drivers:

1. Relationships that bring us tangible benefits (to the Shire and our community)
2. Our lifestyle and strong sense of community
3. We are prepared for opportunities and we are innovative to ensure our relevancy and destiny

5. POLICY STATEMENT

1. Ensure that all Bush Fire Notice regulations, including 3 metre fire breaks around fuel dumps, houses and hay be adhered to.
2. Fire fighting equipment with a minimum of 400 litres of water available (preferably on a trailer).
3. Recommend owners undertake a basic fire fighting course.
4. Ensure an Emergency Evacuation Plan is prepared for the property.
5. Ensure that all Harvest Ban requirements are adhered to.

6. RELATED LEGISLATION/ DOCUMENTATION

Bush Fires Act 1954 (as amended)

7. REVIEW DETAILS

Council Adoption	Date	February 2020	Resolution #	MIN009/20
Previous Adoption	Date	October 2016	Resolution #	MIN168/16