

# Fire ban

## Factsheet

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### WHERE IS THE FIRE BAN?

- The fire ban is in effect in the entire Forest Protection Area (FPA) of Alberta. Please visit [albertafirebans.ca](http://albertafirebans.ca) for exact locations. Cities, towns, villages and summer villages, as well as federal lands (such as national parks), are exempt from this ban. These jurisdictions have the authority to issue their own bans and may have complementary bans in place.

### WHAT IS PROHIBITED?

- All outdoor wood fires, including wood campfires on public land, private land, designated campgrounds and backyard firepits.
- Barbeque charcoal briquettes.
- Fireworks and exploding targets.

### WHAT IS ALLOWED?

- Propane/ natural gas-powered appliances.
- Indoor wood fires inside a structure (such as a facility, building, tent or RV) and contained within a device with a chimney and spark arrestor.
- Open flame oil devices (such as deep fryers and tiki torches). All devices must be CSA approved and used per manufacturer's standards.

### ARE FIRE PERMITS ALLOWED?

- All fire permits are suspended or cancelled.
- No new fire permits will be issued.
- Some allowances can be made for essential agricultural and industrial burning, if approved by a forest officer.

### HOW LONG WILL THE FIRE BAN BE IN PLACE?

- Alberta Forestry and Parks will be monitoring conditions on a daily basis and will amend the fire ban when appropriate.

### WHY IS THE FIRE BAN IN PLACE?

- The fire ban has been put into place in response to recent hot and dry conditions and no expected precipitation in the forecast.

### UNDER WHAT AUTHORITY WAS THE FIRE BAN PUT IN PLACE?

- The fire ban was enacted under section 21 of the Forest and Prairie Protection Act.

### WHAT PENALTIES ARE IN PLACE?

- If you're found to be burning during a fire ban, you may be issued a \$600 ticket. Individuals found responsible for starting a wildfire may be charged with the cost of fighting the fire.

### WHERE CAN I GET THE MOST UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION?

- Online: [albertafirebans.ca](http://albertafirebans.ca)
- Facebook: Alberta Wildfire
- Phone: 1-866-FYI-FIRE

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