

Don't get your fingers burnt

A Guide to Outdoor Fires in Canterbury

Outdoor fires are not allowed in residential areas throughout Canterbury

(except GREEN WASTE, where there are NO green waste disposal facilities*)

They're bad for the environment, annoy your neighbours and can be a serious risk to people and property.

Outdoor fires include:

Bonfires, drum fires (garden/green waste, demolition/construction waste or general rubbish)

any cooker (including pizza ovens)

or heater (brazier/fire grates/fire pits)

that burn solid fuel (coal/coke/treated or untreated wood/paper)

or any type of oil with a yellow flame.

Gas heaters & cookers that burn with a blue flame,

BBQs (including charcoal), hangis & umu are all allowed.

(Throwing a sausage on a bonfire doesn't make it a BBQ!)

Anyone who ignores these rules and either lights or allows a fire to be lit on their property risks being given a \$300 fine or prosecution.

If you rent your property, any damage or mess caused could affect your tenancy agreement or return of your bond when you leave.

To report an outdoor fire call the 24hour Pollution Hotline on 0800 76 55 88

ONLY call the Fire Service (or Police) if you think the fire is out of control and people or property is at risk.

*Green waste disposal facilities include a kerb side collection or a township which has a handling or disposal system.



More Information

Visit www.ecan.govt.nz/air or phone

Customer Services on 03 353 9007 (in Christchurch)

or 0800 324 636 (outside of Christchurch).

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