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**Can I
perform
hot works?**

In the warmer times of the year CFA declares Fire Danger Periods in different parts of the state. On days when fires will spread quickly and be difficult to control, CFA restricts what hot works you can and can't do.



Fire Danger Periods

During the Fire Danger Period hot work such as welding, soldering, grinding, charring, gas cutting, rail maintenance, heating bitumen, bee smoking or honey extraction using heat are not allowed outdoors unless:

- a fire-resistant shield or guard is in place to stop sparks, hot metal or slag.
- an area at least 1.5 metres from the work is clear of anything that can burn, or wetted down enough to prevent the spread of fire.
- you have a hose connected to a tap, a water extinguisher or a knapsack containing at least 9 litres of water.
- all cut-offs and hot materials from the work are placed in fire-proof containers.



Total Fire Ban Days

During Total Fire Ban Days, welding, grinding, and other hot work activities are not allowed.

In limited circumstances, CFA, Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action or Fire Rescue Victoria may issue a permit on Total Fire Ban days for these activities. If your work is essential and cannot be delayed, you can apply for a permit at firepermits.vic.gov.au.



Scan the QR code to find out more.
Together we can stay safe from fires.