

Fire restrictions in place for Selwyn district

Fire and Emergency New Zealand has advised that fire restrictions are being put in place for the Selwyn District as the hot summery conditions push up the fire risk.

From midnight Friday Selwyn, Waimakariri, Hurunui and Christchurch will be in a restricted fire season. This means that anyone wanting to light a fire outside in the district will need to obtain a permit from Fire and Emergency first.

Gas or charcoal barbecues can still be used without a permit.

People can find out which fires need a permit by calling Fire and Emergency on 0800 658 628 or at www.checkitsalright.nz, where you can also find tips on keeping your property safe.

Any fire permits issued during a restricted fire season are suspended if Fire and Emergency declares a prohibited fire season, or prohibits fire in open air, in the area(s).

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