

## ***What are the boundaries of the Urban Fire District?***

A general map is on the back page of this brochure and on the Council website – [www.huttcity.govt.nz](http://www.huttcity.govt.nz). For details, please contact Hutt City Council on 570-6666.

## ***Where can I get a rural fire permit?***

Rural fire permits are issued by the Hutt City Council Emergency Management Office and are subject to the provisions of the Forest and Rural Fires Act 1977.

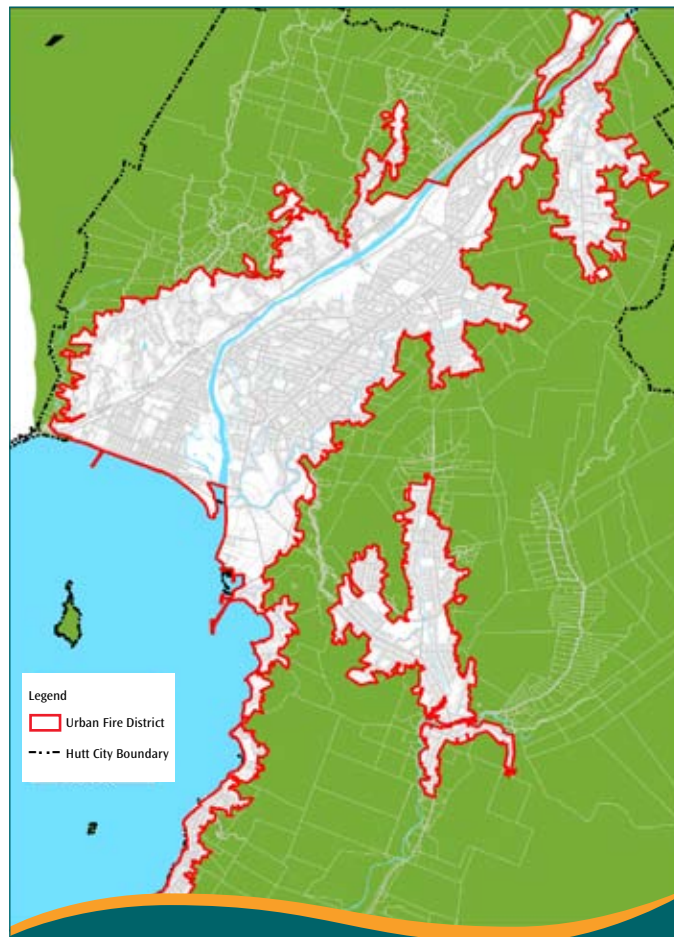
## ***Can we light a fire on the beach or beside the river?***

You can't light a fire (including fireworks) on a beach or in a reserve, other than a gas barbecue, without written permission from the Council.

The Greater Wellington Regional Council is responsible for the control of fires beside rivers within the district.

## ***How can I find out if there is a total fire ban?***

Council may declare the start and finish of a prohibited fire season at any time. Notice and conditions of a prohibited fire season will be placed in newspapers, radio, and the Council website: [www.huttcity.govt.nz](http://www.huttcity.govt.nz)



## ***Contact***

For further information or to get a copy of the bylaw, please contact:

### **Environmental Inspections**

Hutt City Council  
30 Laings Road  
Lower Hutt  
Tel: 570-6666, fax 04 569-4290  
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Or visit: [www.huttcity.govt.nz](http://www.huttcity.govt.nz)



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# ***The Fire Prevention Bylaw***



***Staying friendly with neighbours  
and the environment***



A new Fire Prevention Bylaw limits the lighting of open-air fires in the urban district of Hutt City.

It does not apply to rural areas of the city.

The bylaw aims to stop the burning of vegetation and other combustible materials that are a nuisance or will pollute the environment.



### ***When does the bylaw commence?***

The bylaw is effective from 1 August 2008.

### ***Can I still use my incinerator?***

Incinerators may be used up to 1 July 2009, as long as they do not create a smoke nuisance. After this date, incinerator use will also be prohibited.

### ***Does the bylaw include hangis, umus, barbecues and other outdoor cooking?***

No, fires may be lit for hangis, umus, barbecues, braziers, outdoor cooking ovens or as part of a traditional cooking process as long as the fire is adequately supervised at all times.

### ***Does vegetation include cut, dead material?***

Yes. It includes all plant material and debris, whether green or dead, standing, cut, sawn, fallen, windblown, broken, harvested, stubble or stumps.

### ***Where can I dispose of my garden waste?***

For small amounts of green waste you could start a compost bin, or for tree pruning, hire or buy a mulching machine to create mulch for your garden. Larger amounts of vegetation and other material can be taken to:

- Silverstream Landfill, Reynolds Bach Drive, Silverstream.
- Wainuiomata Landfill, Coast Road, Wainuiomata;
- Seaview Recycle and Transfer Station, 27 Seaview Road, Seaview.

Green waste only – no flax, bamboo or phoenix palms.

- Tri-Firewood and Landscaping Supplies, 99 Eastern Hutt Road, Taita. Charges apply according to the size of load.

You might also employ a tree or garden services contractor, or hire a waste bin.

### ***Our Scout group has had a permit for camp fires – is it still allowed?***

Anyone can apply to Hutt City Council for a permit or special exemption. The Council will grant a permit under certain conditions, and usually for one-off events such as cultural celebrations, Scout and Guide camp fires, filming or fire training exercises.

