



**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR
REGULATION 37/24**

*Fire Ban Proclamation
under the
Forestry Act*

(Filed June 21, 2024)

Under the authority of section 99 of the *Forestry Act*, I proclaim a fire ban for all areas of the province.

Dated at St. John's, June 21, 2024

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Minister of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture

PROCLAMATION

The setting of fires on forest land or within 300 metres of forest land is prohibited in all areas of the province except under the following conditions when the fire weather index is not very high or extreme:

1. The fire is set in an outdoor wood burning unit that
 - (a) is made entirely of non-combustible materials;

- (b) completely contains the fire;
 - (c) is screened to prevent the escape of sparks or other burning material;
 - (d) rests on legs or supports and is placed on mineral soil or non-combustible material having a surface area of not less than 1.5 square metres; and
 - (e) is located not less than 3.5 metres from the nearest woods, brush or other flammable material.
2. The fire is set in an incinerator unit
- (a) that
 - (i) completely contains the fire,
 - (ii) is screened to prevent the escape of sparks or other burning material,
 - (iii) is located on private property and not less than 15 metres from the nearest woods, brush or other flammable material, and
 - (iv) is in good working order and an attendant is on site where the fire weather index is high; and
 - (b) all incinerator ash is totally extinguished before being discarded on mineral soil not less than 15 metres from the nearest woods, brush or other flammable material.

The fire ban does not apply to the following:

- 1. A fire set in an indoor wood stove provided the chimney or stove pipe is screened to prevent the escape of sparks or other burning material.
- 2. A fire set using a gas, kerosene, alcohol, propane or charcoal burning unit provided that
 - (a) the unit is not used within 3.5 metres of any woods, brush or other flammable material; and

- (b) all coals from a charcoal burning unit are totally extinguished before being discarded and are not discarded in any manner which may start a fire.
- 3. A fire set using a match or cigarette lighter for the purpose of lighting a cigarette, cigar or pipe provided that the person lighting or smoking the cigarette, cigar or pipe is not in motion.

The ban shall continue in force until July 31, 2024.

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