

Government of Newfoundland and Labrador Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture

Public Notice

Forest Service Permit to Burn

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of the powers conferred by section 98 of the Forestry Act, and the Forest Fire Regulations, the public are advised that every person setting a fire, between the hours of 12:01 a.m. on the 1st day of May, 2024, and midnight of the 30th day of September, 2024, on the island portion of the province and between the hours of 12:01 a.m. on the 15th day of May, 2024, and midnight of 12:01 a.m. on the 15th day of May, 2024, and midnight of the 30th day of September, 2024, on the Labrador portion of the province, for the purpose of clearing land or burning brush, slash, etc. on forest land or within three hundred meters of forest land, shall first obtain a permit to burn from the minister or from a person authorized by the minister to issue such permits.

To obtain a permit to burn, the please call the nearest Forest Management District Office of the Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture - <u>https://www.flr.gov.nl.ca/department/contact_forestry.html#region</u>. A copy of the Forest Fire Regulations is also available on-line at <u>https://www.assembly.nl.ca/Legislation/sr/regulations/rc960011.htm</u>.

A person who contravenes the Forest Fire Regulations or fails to comply with a permit or condition of a permit is guilty of an offence and liable in accordance with the Forest Fire Offence and Penalty Regulations. The general public is warned that the forest fire hazard increases in the spring and summer, especially during warm and dry conditions. Extreme caution should be taken when burning or traveling on or near forest land. Information on forest fire prevention and the latest Fire Hazard Maps are available at www.gov.nl.ca/ffa/public-education/forestry/forest-fires/fire-hazard-map/.

Call 1-866-709-FIRE (3473) to report a wildfire.



Hon. Elvis Loveless Minister of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture



Order re 2024 Forest Fire Season

Under the authority of section 97 of the **Forestry Act**, I hereby declare the 2024 forest fire season to be in effect in the following areas during the periods specified below:

- (a) between the hours of midnight on May 1, 2024, and midnight on September 30, 2024, on the island portion of the province; and
- (b) between the hours of midnight on May 15, 2024, and midnight on September 30, 2024, on the Labrador portion of the province.

Dated at St. John's, on the 1st day of May 2024.

Hon. Elvis Loveless Minister of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture