



Shire of Moora

Information Guide 2024/2025



Your Comprehensive Guide to:

- Paying Your Account
- Our Community and Services
- Cat and Dog Registration
- Fire Related Information
- Harvest Operations



Easy Ways to Pay Your Account



In Person at Shire

Shire of Moora Administration Office, 34 Padbury Street,
Moora between the hours of 8.00am - 4.00pm
Monday to Friday

Cash, EFTPOS or cheques are accepted.

Cheques are to be made payable to: Shire of Moora



By Mail

Detach slip at bottom of notice and make cheque payable to:

Shire of Moora

PO Box 211, MOORA WA 6510

Please allow adequate time for postage.

By Phone

Credit card payments are accepted by phoning (08) 9651 0000.

Please quote your Assessment Number/s as a reference. The Assessment Number is located on the top right hand side of your rates notice and starts with an A.

BPAY®

Contact your bank or financial institution to make payment from your cheque, savings, debit, credit card or transaction account.

Please quote the biller code and customer reference number displayed on your rates notice.

Want to receive your Rates Notices via Email?

Enjoy the convenience of having your rates notice sent via email.

Register to receive your rates notice to your nominated email address by completing the online form at www.moora.wa.gov.au/services/ratepayers-and-residents/rates-email-notice-registration.aspx.

It is the ratepayer's responsibility to ensure all payments are received at the Shire of Moora Administration office by the due date.

Ratepayers having difficulty paying their rates in full or using instalments are able to make individual arrangements by contacting the Shire Office on 9651 0000.

Shire of Moora Rates Information



Tip Pass (Residential Properties only)

Tip passes can be collected from the Shire office. The pass entitles you to four free visits to the tip. Please produce the pass to receive free entry. Additional passes can be purchased from the Shire office or at the Moora Gull Service Station.

Sewerage & Waste management

If you have a property in the Moora townsite that is deep seweraged, your sewerage rates are included on your itemised rates notice. The Shire owns and operates the sewerage scheme, in many other locations around the state residential and commercial properties are charged their sewerage rates by Water Corporation on a separate notice, additional to their annual council rates.

The Shire of Moora maintains an emergency service for emergency events, such as an overflow from a sewer. **The fault reporting and emergency customer service telephone number is 0429 639 208.**

Note: Blockages and faults which occur inside the property line and before the connection point are the responsibility of the landowner/occupier of the property. Sewerage Connection and Septic Application forms are available on the Shire website. The Shire office can also be contacted to arrange septic and port-a-loo pump outs and clean outs, and grease traps.

Emergency Services Levy

The Emergency Services Levy is a state levy forwarded to the Department of Fire Emergency Services (DFES) to fund the Career Fire and Rescue Service, Volunteer Fire and Rescue Service, Bush Fire Brigades, SES Units and DFES Units throughout Western Australia.

Pensioner/Senior Rebate

Eligible pensioner/concession holders can claim up to a maximum rebate of \$750. For more information regarding the rebate please refer to the back of your rates notice.

Financial Hardship

Please contact us if financial hardship prevents you from paying your rates by the due date shown, we will consider accepting alternative arrangements for payment.

Change of Details

Please advise the Shire office in writing of any change of address, email and phone numbers to which notices are to be sent. The Assessment number should be quoted on all such correspondence.

Ranger

The Shire of Moora has a full time Ranger service. Services provided by the Ranger include Dog Control, Cat Control, Litter Control, Off Road Vehicles, Fire Break Inspections, Issuing of Fire Permits. The Ranger can be contacted on 0408 511 409.

Our Services



Cemetery

The Shire of Moora is responsible for the administration of the Moora Cemetery. This includes Cemetery Records, Plot Reservations, and information on the placement of ashes, and ordering of plaques for the Niche Wall or Memorial Garden.

Please contact the Shire office for more information.

Moora Lifestyle Village

The Moora Lifestyle Village is a 'tree change' for over 50's seeking independent living in peaceful surrounds with all the services and facilities of a large town. The Moora Lifestyle Village has been designed with a real sense of community in mind and is the perfect place to relocate your park home, or alternatively, build yourself a brand new one. The design of the Village ensures a friendly, neighbourly place where residents can live independently.

The Village features a community shed for pottering about, a meeting room for activities and social gatherings, and a BBQ and gazebo for wiling away those lazy summer days.

The Village has a few sites still available for lease. Lot sizes vary from 180sqm to 321.29sqm with weekly rents varying according to lot size. Weekly rental includes water usage and use of shared community facilities.

Electronic Community Noticeboard

The Community Noticeboard provides an avenue for local not-for-profit groups and organisations to promote their community events and activities free of charge. For further information and to submit your request go to

www.moora.wa.gov.au/council/noticeboard/electronic-community-noticeboard.aspx

Moora Performing Arts Centre

The Shire of Moora proudly operate the Moora Performing Arts Centre (MPAC) which is home to events throughout the year.

Our regular program includes the 'Morning Melodies' series and the 'An Evening with...' concert series. This year we will bring you more unique and diverse experiences both in and out of the MPAC.

We are also excited to showcase local talent, so If you are a local singer, musician or performance artist, either experienced or starting out and looking for performance opportunities, please get in touch with Nat Maloy at events@moora.wa.gov.au

Follow the Shire of Moora - Events, Arts and Culture Facebook page for updates.



Library

The public are invited to take advantage of this free service. Applications for membership can be obtained from the Shire office. For our youngest community members, the library runs a Story and Rhyme Time program during the school term for 0–4-year olds and their caregiver. The session is held in the library or the MPAC foyer depending on numbers. Please contact the Shire Office for more details.

The library is located in the Shire Administration building at 34 Padbury Street, Moora and is open Monday to Friday from 8.00am to 4.00pm.

BorrowBox - your library in one app

Shire of Moora library members can download and use BorrowBox and Libby, FREE, and we're sure that everyone will find something they will enjoy! The BorrowBox and Libby apps allow you to listen to eAudiobooks and read eBooks 24/7 on your iPhone, iPad, Android or Android Tablet.

If you need assistance please call the Shire Office on 9651 0000 or via <https://slwa.wa.gov.au/eresources/borrowbox>

Moora Swim School

Moora Swim School is endorsed with Royal Life Saving WA.

The swim school follows the Swim & Survive program. It is operated out of the Central Midlands Hydrotherapy Pool in collaboration with the RLSWA.

Visit www.royallifesavingwa.com.au/training/moora-swim-school/c-25/c-357 to find out more, or to enrol.

Moora Swimming Pool

The Moora Swimming Pool is located on the corner of Roberts and Dandaragan Streets, and is open during the summer months. Season passes can be purchased from the Shire office.

Central Midlands Hydrotherapy Pool

The Central Midlands Hydrotherapy Pool is an indoor heated pool available to the public. To make an enquiry, book an appointment, book into a session or change a booking, please contact the Hydrotherapy Pool on 0427 511 403 or email: hydro@moora.wa.gov.au

Moora Health and Fitness Centre

Are you interested in joining the Moora Gym? Please contact the Shire Office on 9651 0000. Membership includes 24hr access to the Gym, Shire approved fitness classes, limited use of the Squash Courts and use of the Moora Swimming Pool for laps only. Approved fitness instructors or personal trainer use of facilities must be approved by the Shire CEO.

For further information: moora.wa.gov.au/community/sports-and-recreation/sport-rec-moora-health-and-fitness-facility.aspx.

Cat and Dog Registration



OWNING A CAT IN THE SHIRE OF MOORA

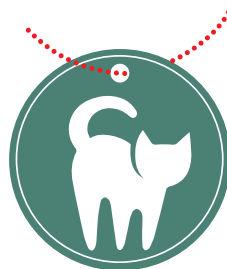
The State Government introduced cat legislation from the 1st November 2013. Cats over the age of 6 months must be registered to someone over the age of 18 and be **microchipped** and **sterilised**.

Cats must wear a **registration tag** when in a public place.

Registration of a cat can be for one year, three years or for the life of the cat. As with dog registrations, they run to 31st October, regardless of date of registration.

A person must not breed cats unless the person is an approved cat breeder. Registered cat breeders are exempt from the requirements to sterilise cats.

Registration forms are available at the Shire office.



Registration Fee (Sterilised)

Full Price	1 Year	\$20.00
	3 Years	\$42.50
	Lifetime	\$100.00
Pensioner	1Year	\$10.00
	3 Years	\$21.25
	Lifetime	\$50.00

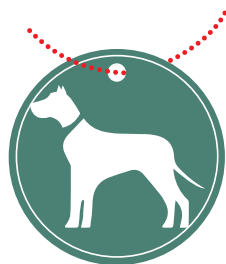


OWNING A DOG IN THE SHIRE OF MOORA

A dog owner is legally required to register their dog with the Shire of Moora if it is more than 3 months old. The registration period is from the 1st November to the 31st October the following year, however, dogs can be registered at any time throughout the year. All dogs over the age of 3 months must be **microchipped**.

Registration Fee

	Sterilised	Unsterilised
Full Price 1 Year	\$20.00	\$50.00
Full Price 3 Years	\$42.50	\$120.00
Full Price Lifetime	\$100.00	\$250.00
*Working Dog 1 Year	\$5.00	\$12.50
*Working Dog 3 Years	\$10.65	\$30.00
*Working Dog Lifetime	\$25.00	\$62.50
Pensioners Dog 1 Year	\$10.00	\$25.00
Pensioners Dog 3 Years	\$21.25	\$60.00
Pensioners Dog Lifetime	\$50.00	\$125.00



*Bona fide Working Dog, ie Droving Stock.

After 31st May half of the normal price is payable (1 year registration)

Pursuant to the Shire of Moora's local laws, and in accordance with the Dog Act 1976 the following prescribed number of dogs can reside at any one place.

Townsites: 2 dogs over the age of 3 months and the young of those under that age.

Outside townsites: 4 dogs over the age of 3 months and the young of those under that age.

All dogs are required under the Dog Act 1976 to wear both the Shire of Moora registration tag and a tag displaying their name and their owners name and address. All dogs over 3 months of age must be **microchipped**.

It is the dog owners legal obligation to ensure that their dog is kept under control at all times.

Dogs are to be secured at all times behind an adequate fence that will keep it within the boundary of the property. At any time when the dog is outside of the property boundary it is to be held on an approved lead in the control of a responsible adult.

An impound fee will be imposed for any dog caught by the Shire Ranger. A further per day sustenance fee is also payable. These fees along with registration of the dog/s are to be paid prior to the release of the dog/s from the pound.

Your Legal Requirements



Requirements of land 4000 sqm and under

SLASHING

Dead flammable matter including dead grass, shrubs and plants shall be slashed, mowed or trimmed down by other means, to a height no greater than 50mm across the entire property.

ASSET PROTECTION

Maintain all dead flammable material below 2 tonnes per hectare across the entirety of the property (see definition for fuel load).

CLEAN GUTTERS

Ensure roof, gutters, walls of all buildings are free of flammable matter.

Requirements of land 4001 sqm and over

SLASHING

Dead flammable matter including dead grass, shrubs and plants shall be slashed, mowed or trimmed down by other means, to a height no greater than 50mm across the entire property – unless used for pasture or crop.

ASSET PROTECTION

Maintain all dead flammable material below 2 tonnes per hectare extending 20 metres out from all building. (See definition for fuel load).

CLEAN GUTTERS

Ensure roofs, gutters, walls of all buildings are free of flammable matter.

FIRE BREAKS

Install a minimum 3-metre-wide cleared fire break no further than 3 metres away from;

- The entirety of the property boundary
- All buildings, sheds and fuel storage
- All stationary internal combustion engines
- All electric motors and pumps

Plantations (as of 1 January 2020)

Plantations 3 hectares or less

- require a 6 metre wide by 4 metre height clearance fire break around the entirety.

Plantations over 3 hectares

- require a 15 metre wide by 4 metre height clearance fire break around the entirety.
- require a 6 metre wide by 4 metre height clearance internal fire breaks a minimum of every 30 hectares.
- Minimum of 25,000L water supply and hard stand for every 50 hectares no further than 20 minutes turnaround.

A Fire Control Officer may direct in writing other works to be carried out.

Bushfire Management Plans

All properties that are subject to a Bushfire Management Plan as a result of a subdivision, development application or a Shire approved treatment plan must comply with the requirements of such plans in their entirety in addition to the requirements of this notice.

Variation Request

The Shire of Moora understands that not all land owners/occupiers are able to complete the requirements set out by this notice. In these circumstances the owner/occupier must complete a Request for Variation form no later than the 1st October.

A Variation Request must be completed in whole for consideration by the Shire and may be rejected for any reason the Shire feels fit. NOTE: If the Variation request is not approved, the applicant must comply with all requirements of this notice prior to the 1st November.

Fire Break

- Trafficable clearing for heavy 4WD vehicles
- No less than 3m wide
- Must be constructed in a continuous form with no obstructions or dead ends
- Must not contain any flammable material
- Must not be further than 3 metres off the property boundaries

Fuel Load Measurement – Asset Protection Zone

Fuel load refers to dead, flammable materials such as leaf litter, dry grass, woods under 6mm in diameter. 2.7 tonnes per hectare as per the Shire of Moora Fuel Load Measuring Tool provided on the Shire website or upon request from the Shire Admin.

Plantation

Any area of planted trees, other than a wind break, that exceed 3 hectares in a gazetted townsite or elsewhere, a stand of 10 hectares or larger, that has been established by sowing or planting native or exotic tree species selected and managed intensively for their commercial and environmental value. A Plantation includes roads, tracks, firebreaks and small areas of native vegetation.

Compliance inspection will be carried out by Fire Control Officers as of 1st November annually under the authority of the Bush Fire Act 1954.

Fire breaks & Fuel Reduction



BURNING DATES

DATES SUBJECT TO SEASONAL CONDITIONS

Restricted Burning Period

19th September to 31st October (inclusive)

Permit to burn required during this period.

Prohibited Burning Period

1st November to 14th February (inclusive)

All burning prohibited during this period.

Restricted Burning Period

15th February to 29th March (inclusive)

Permit to burn is required to burn during this period.

Dates may be varied due to climate or weather conditions.

Period variations will be advertised in the local paper,
Shire website and Facebook page.

Permits to burn may ONLY be obtained from your local Fire
Control Officer. Contact details are at the rear of this booklet.

ALL burning is prohibited during a Fire Behaviour Index of
High or above, and if a Total Fire Ban or Harvest and Vehicle
Movement Ban is declared.

BUSH FIRES ACT 1954 (as amended)

Notice is hereby given to all landowners/occupiers within the Shire of Moora that you are required on or before the 1st November annually to comply with the directives to reduce the outbreak, spread and extension of bush fire and maintain it at that standard until 29th March annually under Section 33 of the Bush Fires Act 1954.

FIRST AND FINAL notice is hereby served to all residents and ratepayers.

Failure to act in accordance with this notice may result in a \$5,000 fine and the required works carried out at the expense of the owner/occupied.

This information guide will advise what actions you must take to manage any fire hazards and risks associated with your property and the dates when these actions must be complete. Inflammable material is defined for the purpose, to include: bush, timber, boxes, paper, and like flammable materials, rubbish, and also any combustible matter but does not include living trees, shrubs, growing bushes and plants under cultivation. Burning of bushes, grass or garden refuse throughout the Shire of Moora is not permitted during Restricted and Prohibited Burning times unless a permit has been obtained from a Fire Control Officer.



Harvesting Operations



1. No harvesting operations are permitted on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day. A separate firefighting fire appliance is required to be present in any paddock undertaking harvesting, chaining, raking stubble, straw baling and associated allied activities during restricted and prohibited periods. The firefighting unit must be in a state of readiness and have a minimum capacity of 400 litres of water, a powered pump and hose. The farm firefighting unit should be parked on bare ground in or near the harvesting or working area.
2. The Chief Bush Fire Control Officer or a duly appointed person has the authority to impose a Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban (except for the watering and movement of stock).

If a Harvesting and Vehicle Movement ban has been imposed, all persons registered for SMS will be sent a text message advising of details.

ADVICE ON HOW TO BE ADDED TO SMS LISTING

To register for the harvest ban SMS sign up service go to:

www.moora.wa.gov.au/harvest-ban.aspx

All bans will be broadcast on ABC 531 AM radio



Fire or life threatening emergencies: 000
Emergency Information: 13 33 37
SES Emergency Assistance: 132 500

Weather conditions can have an impact on how smoke from your burn will affect your neighbours. On days when the upper layer of the atmosphere is warmer than the air at ground level, smoke can be trapped under an inversion layer and can take a long time to disperse.

Always check with the Bureau of Meteorology to make sure they have not issued a haze alert at www.bom.gov.au and check the weather conditions in your local area.

Smoke across roads is also your responsibility, please be aware of the weather conditions on the day. You could be liable and prosecuted if the smoke emitting from your fire is a contributing factor to a traffic accident.

Be a good neighbour; always give your neighbours plenty of notice of your intention to burn. This will give them time to get the washing off the line or make arrangements for any person with respiratory issues to be relocated from the area to ensure they are not badly affected by smoke.

www.emergency.wa.gov.au



EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS

Moora Volunteer Fire & Rescue	000
Moora Ambulance	000
Moora Hospital	9651 0222
Moora Police	000



TOTAL FIRE BANS

Total Fire Bans may be declared by the Department of Fire & Emergency Services (DFES) when severe weather conditions are forecast or widespread fires are stretching resources. When a Total Fire Ban is declared, it is illegal to do anything that may start a fire. Total Fire Bans will be featured on:

- DFES and Emergency WA websites;
- DFES Facebook and Twitter;
- Broadcast on ABC local radio 531 AM
- Via DFES Total Fire Ban Hotline 1800 709 355

Harvest and Vehicle Movement Bans must be imposed by a local government when the fire behaviour conditions reach a certain level.

They are also imposed when the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer is of the opinion that the use of engines, vehicles, plant or machinery during the prohibited or restricted burning times, or both, is likely to cause a fire or contribute to the spread of a bushfire. If a Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban is declared it is broadcast on ABC 531 AM and via SMS.

During a Total Fire Ban or Harvest & Vehicle Movement Ban you are not allowed to light, maintain or use a fire in the open air, or carry out any activity in the open air that causes, or is likely to cause a fire.

This includes a prohibition on the use of engines, vehicles, plant or machinery likely to cause or be conducive to the spread of a bush fire.

You could be fined up to \$25,000 and/or jailed for 12 months if you breach a ban.



CONTACT DETAILS

Chief Executive Officer	Gavin Robins	9651 0000
Chief Bush Fire Control Officer	Brendan Pratt	0427 541 086
Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer	Jimmy McNamara	0427 541 083
Chief Fire Weather Officer	Hugh Bryan	0427 542 007

FIRE CONTROL OFFICERS

Bindi Bindi (UHF 11)	Toby Ellis (Capt.) Derek Stewart	0417 990 504 0428 549 074
Watheroo/Coomberdale (UHF 11)	Lloyd Elliot (Capt.) Brad Millsteed Brad Tonkin	0438 936 610 0429 008 750 0427 518 011
Koojan (UHF 11)	Brendan Vanbeek (Capt.) Jayden Cocking	0428 359 076 0409 516 013
Miling (UHF 11)	Brendan Pratt (Capt.) Gary Bailey	0427 514 086 0429 648 948
Moora Central (UHF 11)	Zack Wyatt (Capt.) Allan Hueppauff Ranger (permit only)	0475 675 468 0429 113 380 0408 511 409

The names and contact details for the fire officers are subject to change.
For up to date information, please visit www.moora.wa.gov.au

Fire control officers are not obliged to issue permits.

Should a fire control officer refuse to issue a permit; it is a breach of the Bush Fires Act 1954 to request a permit from another fire control officer.

This notice and information has effect from 1 November 2024.

All previous Firebreak Notices are hereby cancelled.

By order of the Council

Gavin Robins - Chief Executive Officer



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