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FOLLOW THE RULES.

For more
information call **808 200 520 / 211 389 320**
(local call cost) or contact your
City Council.

Learn more at portugalchama.pt.

Consult Decree-Law No. 82/2021 of 13 October,
as amended.



**REQUEST
AUTHORISATION
FOR AN EXTENSIVE
CONTROLLED
BURN.**

**PORTUGAL IS CALLING.
FOR YOU. FOR EVERYONE.**

Before carrying out controlled burning, consider alternative ways to remove vegetation: mulching and incorporation into the soil, biomass use, composting and energy production.

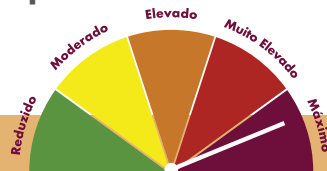
On days of "very high" or "maximum" rural fire risk, extensive controlled burning is prohibited.

Check your municipality fire risk at ipma.pt/en

On all other days, you may only carry out controlled burning with a permit and under technical supervision.

This is mandatory.

Avoid fines. Contact your City Council or visit fogos.icnf.pt/queimasqueimadas.



HOW TO CARRY OUT CONTROLLED BURNING SAFELY:

- Pay close attention to weather conditions.
- Avoid burning large areas at once.
- Assess and choose the ignition point carefully to ensure only the intended area burns, without posing a risk to neighbouring land.
- Clear a vegetation-free strip around the area to be burned. Use existing clear areas or paths where possible.
- The minimum width of this strip must be twice the height of the vegetation to be burned.
- The strip must be even wider on sloping land or where surrounding vegetation is highly flammable (grassland, scrub, bushes or forest stands).
- Remain vigilant and monitor wind changes. If a spark escapes, extinguish it immediately.

TO FINISH A CONTROLLED BURNING:

- Do not leave the site until the fire is completely extinguished.
- If the edges of the burned area remain very hot, widen the cleared strip.
- At the end, review the process and learn from the experience.



IF THE CONTROLLED BURNING CAUSES A FIRE:

- Call 112 and provide precise directions to the location.
- Move to a safe place.
- Ask for help and alert neighbours and family.