### 6.18.5 Weed Burner

For all Mornington Peninsula Shire works requires a permit. Require a Weed Burner Permit for all Staff. A copy of the Weed Burner Permit is to be kept in all Work Folders for Crew to take on site.

Permit for Weed Burner is for conservation purposes on a council owned or controlled reserve. Copy of permit must be produced on request by:

1. Any fire prevention officer or assistant fire prevention officer or Local Laws officer (Ranger) of the shire.
2. Any member of the CFA.
3. Any member of the Victoria Police force.

Permission to use a Weed Burner is not valid during any period of time that the Country Fire Authority (CFA) has declared as a fire danger period, or on any day of Total Fire Ban.

Use during rain, dew or obvious wetness of vegetation from earlier rain:

* A fully functioning mobile phone must be with the person who is conducting the burning at all times. This condition is to allow ‘000’ to be called ‘immediately’ should the need arise.
* The temperature must NOT be over 20 degrees Celsius.
* The wind must NOT be blowing stronger than a very light breeze.
* There must be a fully charged water knapsack where the weed burning is taking place.
* There must be at least one rake hoe at the site where the weed burning is taking place.
* All flame, embers and sparks are to be totally extinguished before leaving the site.

Use in drier conditions:

* If the weed burner is being used at any time when it is not raining, or when there is neither dew or obvious wetness on vegetation to be burned, then in addition to the above there must be also at least two persons present the entire time any burning is taking place until all fire is totally extinguished.