



5. **ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES**

5.2 **RANGERS**

5.2.2 **Rangers Operational Procedure – Fire**

Upon arrival at the fire:

1. The Ranger assesses the situation from Shire perspective; ie:
 - what the legal position is and whether the fire has been illegally lit;
 - if the Shire needs to take any specific action in response to this.
2. Control the fire:
 - if the Ranger is the first person at the fire then he will assume control of the fire if there are no brigade members in attendance;
 - the first registered brigade member who arrives at the fire **may take charge of the fire**;
 - Ranger then to assist the brigade under the Fire Control Officer in the following priority:
 - a. provide communication link if needed with the Shire Chief and Deputy EO's, CALM, Bunnings Treefarms, Shire staff and works crew;
 - b. Set up a control point if requested;
 - c. provide assistance at the fire ground.
1. The Ranger is to report to the Chief Bushfire Control Officer any perceived shortcomings or suggest any additional action or assistance which may have been required at the fire.

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