

# Does the 1 January 2019 wood burner deadline affect you?

Check if you fit in one of the following categories.

**I live in Timaru, Rangiora, Kaiapoi or Ashburton and have an older-style wood burner.**

You can use your older-style burner until it is 15 years old.

If you want to replace it with a low emission burner then you must lodge a building consent with your district council by 1 January 2019\* and before its 15th birthday.

Otherwise, you can replace your burner with an ultra-low emission burner at any time.

(Note: if you live in Christchurch and have an older-style burner, this should not be used. It can be replaced with an ultra-low emission burner.)

**I live in Timaru and have a low emission wood burner.**

You can use your low emission burner until it is 15 years old or until 1 January 2019 (whichever is later).

If your burner is approaching 15 years old and you want to replace it with another low emission burner, then you must lodge a building consent with Timaru District Council by 1 January 2019\*.

However, we would encourage you to wait until your current burner needs replacing, and at that time choose an ultra-low emission wood burner.

**I live in Christchurch, Rangiora, Kaiapoi or Ashburton and have a low emission wood burner.**

You can use your low emission burner until it is 20 years old or until 1 January 2019 (whichever is later).

If your burner is approaching 20 years and you want to replace it with another low emission burner, then you must lodge a building consent with your city or district council by 1 January 2019\*.

However, we would encourage you to wait until your current burner needs replacing, and at that time choose an ultra-low emission wood burner.

**Ultra-low emission wood burners can be installed anywhere in Canterbury (with a building consent) and used indefinitely. They are more efficient and better for the environment too!**

\*The deadline for lodging a building consent is 1 January 2019. However, we strongly encourage you to lodge it before **19 December 2018** to make sure you don't miss out. Full details: [www.ecan.govt.nz/2019deadline](http://www.ecan.govt.nz/2019deadline)