

## 26. Kwahu East District Assembly (Bush Fire) Bye-Laws, 2020

### 1. Establishment of fire volunteer squad

- (1) There shall be the establishment in every Town Area or Unit a fire volunteer squad.
- (2) The squad shall be assisted by the chiefs, Assembly members and Unit Committee members, and the Ghana National Fire Service to enforce the bye-laws.

### 2. Starting of bush fires

A person shall not start a bush fire for any purpose whatsoever without a permit from the Assembly.

### 3. Need to notify Fire Service

- (1) Where bush fire is to be set for any purpose the Ghana National Fire Service or volunteer squads shall be contracted to supervise the burning.
- (2) A person setting up fire for any purpose shall put off the fire immediately after usage.

### 4. Prosecution of offenders

A person who contravenes any of these bye-laws commits an offence and shall be arrested and tried by a court of competent jurisdiction.

### 5. Penalty

- (1) A person who contravenes the provisions of these bye-laws commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of ten penalty units or in default to a term of three months imprisonment or to both.
- (2) A person who is aware and refuses to report to the appropriate authority another person who sets a bush fire commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of not less than 10 penalty units or to a term of imprisonment for three months or to both.