

BE SAFE & LEAVE EARLY PLAN



A bushfire plan – to share with your family and service providers



**You need to leave early when
a bushfire threatens.**

**Please complete this plan with all members of your household, ensuring
you consider any special needs or limitations individuals may have.**

OUR STAY SAFE AND LEAVE EARLY PLAN

1 **WHEN** will we leave?

My trigger to leave early may include: • The forecast Fire Danger Rating • See Smoke
• Smell Smoke • Information from neighbours and Friends

2 **WHERE** will we go?

3 **WHO** will we call?

Are your family members or personal support network aware of who you will contact to advise you have relocated safely?

4 My **SERVICE PROVIDER** is:

NAME

CONTACT NUMBER

5 **WHICH** way will we go?

ROUTE 1:

ROUTE 2:

ROUTE 3:

6 **WHAT** will we take?

Don't forget to consider: Pets, medication/s, important documents.

7 **What is our BACKUP PLAN?**

8 **If we can't LEAVE OUR PROPERTY** where can we shelter safely?

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Waiting to see flames before you evacuate is too late. You must at all times be prepared to activate your own plan. With only a limited number of fire trucks and emergency service personnel, you cannot depend on others when a bushfire threatens.

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Choose a safe place, like the home of a family member or friends that live away from the fire zone.

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Make sure you call someone when you are leaving and when you get to your location, so that they know you are safe.

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You must ensure you have notified your service provider that you have relocated. Your service provider will need to contact you to discuss if or how the bushfire may impact your service.

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Fire can come from any direction and paths can quickly become blocked. Choose more than one route to your safer place. If you don't have more than one route, pick another safe place.

6

You will need to prepare an Emergency Kit before the bushfire season. Ask your service provider or DFES to provide you with a checklist of what to include. Make a list of the key or last minute items you need to take with you.

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Things don't always go to plan in an emergency. Most fires start quickly and with little warning. Think about what you will do if:

- You are home alone?
- Your pets run away?
- Your transport option isn't available?

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Think about the best place to seek shelter, such as a room that has an internal and external exit like a laundry or an area outside that has already been burnt such as a paddock.

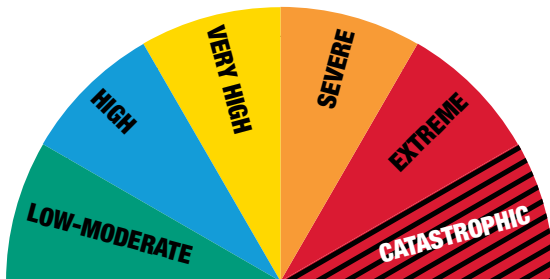
Your **BE SAFE AND LEAVE EARLY** Plan should be:

- Developed with the help of your family or personal support network
- Reviewed at the start of each bushfire season
- Provided to your service providers for their records.

FIRE DANGER RATINGS

Use this tool daily during bushfire season to monitor conditions in your area. Based on forecast weather conditions, the higher the rating, the higher the risk of bushfire.

BEFORE A BUSHFIRE



CATASTROPHIC

The worst conditions for a fire. Homes are not designed or built to withstand a fire in these conditions. The only safe place is away from bushfire risk areas.

EXTREME SEVERE VERY HIGH

Seek out information and be ready to leave or stay and actively defend your property if a fire starts. Only stay if you are 100% prepared.

HIGH LOW-MODERATE

Be vigilant. Check your fire plan and continue to monitor conditions as they can change quickly.

BUSHFIRE ALERTS

The alerts provide information on the severity of a bushfire once it has started.

BUSHFIRE WARNING SYSTEM



ADVICE



WATCH AND ACT



EMERGENCY WARNING

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An out of control fire is approaching very fast. You need to act immediately to survive. If you haven't prepared your home it is too late. You must leave now if it is safe to do so.

WATCH AND ACT

A fire is approaching and is out of control. Put your plan into action. If your plan is to leave, make sure you leave early. Only stay if you are mentally, physically and emotionally prepared to defend your property and you have all the right equipment.

ADVICE

A fire has started but there is no immediate danger. Stay alert and watch for signs of a fire.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW TO PREPARE



dfes.wa.gov.au



DFES Community Preparedness
on 9395 9816



In a life threatening emergency call 000

BUSHFIRE ALERTS AND WARNINGS



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