



PREPARE. ACT. SURVIVE.

WAIT UNTIL THE FIRE IS ON TOP OF YOU AND YOU MAY DIE

PROTECT YOUR FAMILY.
PROTECT YOUR LIFE.

PREPARE.

You must make important decisions before the fire season starts

You are at risk from bush fires if you live or work near bushland, grassland, scrub, or farmland.

A fire can be terrifying, with strong winds, intense heat and flames, and thick smoke. Don't make rushed and dangerous decisions. Prepare your **Bush Fire Survival Plan**. Relocate aged, young and sick family members early from areas likely to be impacted by fires. Leaving early is the safest option.

Your **well-prepared home** will increase the safety of fire fighters and is more likely to survive a bush fire even if you leave early.

SURVIVE.

Know what you will do to survive

Know your **bush fire alerts**.

Advice means a fire is nearby and you should stay up to date.

At **Watch and Act**, a bush fire is approaching and you need to put your Bush Fire Survival Plan into action.

An **Emergency Warning** means you may be in danger. Don't wait for direction from emergency services, as failure to act can result in death or injury.

If you plan to leave early, you should leave long before the bush fire is in your area. **Do not stay and defend without careful planning and preparation.**

Know an alternative route to a **safer location**. Find out if there is a Neighbourhood Safer Place in your area, but remember they should only be used as a place of last resort. Have a **back-up plan** in case you can't get to a safer location.

ACT.

The higher the fire danger rating, the more dangerous the conditions

Know the fire danger in your area and what it means. **The fire danger rating** should be your first trigger for action and could save your life. When the rating is **Catastrophic**, leaving early is the only option for your survival.

Know your triggers. Be prepared to **activate your Bush Fire Survival Plan** with little or no warning.



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Your Bush Fire Survival Plan, Fire Danger Ratings, Bush Fire Alerts and Neighbourhood Safer Places can be found at www.rfs.nsw.gov.au

