

Bushfire Survival Plan

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IT COULD SAVE YOUR LIFE!

If you live in or near bush, developing and using a **bushfire survival plan** is critical. Your plan will help you avoid making last minute decisions that could prove deadly during a bushfire.

Your plan MUST include:

1

Your triggers to leave or start defending.

2

An informed decision about whether you will leave for a safer place or stay and actively defend.

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A back-up plan. Conditions can change very quickly in a bushfire, often without warning. Your plan must be flexible and cover a range of situations you may face before, during or after the fire.

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Where you will go and how you will get there if you plan to leave for a safer place?

Bushfire Survival Plan TIPS

- Your plan must work for you and your family. Everyone's bushfire survival plan will be different and depend on individual circumstances.
- If you live alone develop a plan with your neighbours.
- Write your plan down and don't doubt it when the time comes to put it into action.
- Prepare and practice your plan with all members of your family before the start of the bushfire season.
- Review your plan when your family circumstances change.
- Don't forget to include your pets and livestock in your bushfire survival plan.

Download a bushfire survival plan template today at www.dfes.wa.gov.au

Research has shown that leaving late can be deadly. Over the last 100 years 60% of people who died in bushfires were found within 100 metres of their own residence.

Act immediately. Never 'wait and see' what might happen. Relocating at the last minute can be deadly.
Never second guess your plan.



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