

# Bushfire Survival Plan



This planning template is designed for people who have a disability, chronic or acute medical condition or who are older.

As you fill this out, think about how your abilities and support needs affect your plan to leave early. This includes assistive technology, assistance animals and specific health management.

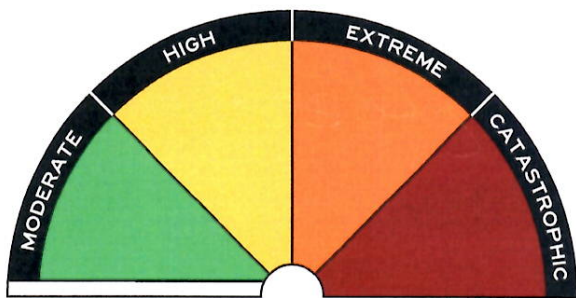
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Please complete the following details:

This Bushfire Survival Plan is for: JILL MACKIE  
When living at: WYE RIVER  
My Fire Weather District is: SOUTH WEST FIRE DISTRICT  
My plan was completed on: (dd/mm/yyyy) 3/10/2022

## 1. My Fire Danger Rating trigger to leave is



### CATASTROPHIC

Night before  Early in the morning

### EXTREME

Night before  Early in the morning



Catastrophic days are the worst conditions for fire.

Homes are not designed or constructed to withstand these conditions.

## 2. I will find out the daily Fire Danger Rating from



My neighbour, relative, friend, support worker or carer

*My niece, Jan*



Monitoring the VicEmergency app or website [www.emergency.vic.gov.au](http://www.emergency.vic.gov.au)



Listening to ABC Local Radio or my designated community radio station



Watching Sky News TV



Calling VicEmergency Hotline 1800 226 226



If you are deaf, hard of hearing or have a communication impairment contact VicEmergency via the National Relay Service 1800 555 677



If you do not speak English, call the Translating and Interpreting Service 131 450 for translated information from VicEmergency

## 3. What I will take

Personal items (mobile phone, money, keys, identification, glasses, jewellery)

*Phone, charger, purse, hearing aid, glasses, keys*

Essential items for daily living (mobility aids, communication aids, assistive technology devices and chargers)

*Walker, hearing aid, torch*

Medical equipment, medications and prescriptions

*Tablets, scripts, blood sugar tester, jellybeans*

Important documents (will, insurance papers)

*bank details*

Other

*Clothes, books, photo album, radio*





My emergency kit is stored

*Bed room*

## 4. I will stay at

Details	Option 1	Option 2
Name	<i>Jan Bennetts</i>	<i>Tom Walker</i>
Telephone	<i>0400 124 xx x</i>	<i>5266 x x x x</i>
Mobile number	<i>" "</i>	<i>0418 764 xx x</i>
Address	<i>Mundy St Geelong</i>	<i>Depeller Ave Moriae</i>
I am able to stay more than one night	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No


### 5. I will get there by

	<input type="checkbox"/> Driving my car	Always make sure you know alternative routes and have plenty of fuel
	<input type="checkbox"/> Public transport	Ensure you have a current timetable and that the service is operating
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Taxi or other ride share options	Company <u>LORNE TAXIS</u> Telephone <u>0409 xxx xxx</u>
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> My neighbour, relative or friend picking me up	Name <u>Jack Smith</u> Telephone <u>0400 xxx xxx</u>

*Always make sure to call the day/night before to confirm they are still picking me up*

### 6. What I will do with my pet(s) or assistance animal

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pet(s) will come with me <u>Dog- Beau</u> (with their leads, food, bedding, crate etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Pet(s) will be left with neighbours or in a kennel (with lead, food, bedding, vaccination certificates)
<input type="checkbox"/> Pet(s) will be left at home (with fresh water and food)	Name of kennel _____
<input type="checkbox"/> I have an assistance animal that travels with me	Telephone _____

 Some fires can continue for many days, even weeks. It is important to factor this into your plan for your pets in case you cannot come back to your home.

### 7. I will tell these people that I am leaving early

Details	Name	Telephone or email
Personal contacts	<u>Sally - Nextdoor</u>	<u>5289 xxxv</u>
Service providers	<u>Shire Meals on wheels</u>	<u>5232 xxx x</u>
	<u>Shire Cleaner</u>	<u>5232 xxx x</u>
	<u>Adam - Mowing</u>	<u>0409 xxx xxx</u>

## Returning home

I will return home when the Fire Danger Rating is of lower risk. I will know this through the information I receive from my preferred source of information as noted in this plan.

## Backup plan

There may be some circumstances where a safe evacuation is not possible and you will be told it's too late to leave. You may need to seek another shelter option.

### If I am unable to leave as planned, I will

Go to a nearby well-prepared property  
(if previously discussed)

Address

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Actively shelter at home

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Go to a Place of Last Resort

– Designated Neighbourhood Safer Place  
or Community Fire Refuge

Location

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Route(s) I will take to get there

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There isn't one

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Remember, leaving early is always the safest option. You must plan your own survival.

- When the Fire Danger Rating is Extreme or Catastrophic, leaving the night before or early in the morning is the safest option for your survival.
- Sheltering in an unprepared house without active defence is extremely dangerous.
- Disruptions to services such as power and water are common during bushfires. Expect interruptions to your NBN, electricity, telephones, mobile phones or mains water.
- CFA cannot guarantee a fire truck will come to your home.
- Older people, children and people with a disability should not remain in a bushfire-prone area during dangerous fire weather or a bushfire.
- Never wait to receive a warning, you may not get an official warning about a bushfire before its too late.
- You will not be told when to leave or assisted to leave during a bushfire. You must follow your plan.

You must plan for your own survival.