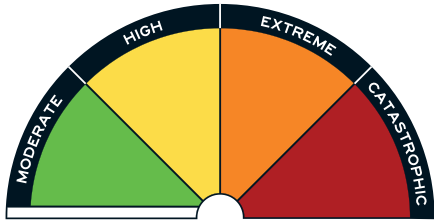


Know Your Daily Fire Danger Rating



Stay aware of the fire danger rating and know what to do.

Fire Danger Ratings tell you how dangerous a fire could be if one started. The higher the rating the more dangerous the conditions. Fire Danger Ratings feature in weather forecasts during the fire season.

Everyday you should:

- » Monitor conditions and official sources for warnings.
- » If a fire starts near you, take action immediately to protect your life.
- » Do not wait for a warning.
- » Adhere to local regulations governing fire activity.
- » Ensure any industrial and agricultural activities adhere to relevant guidelines.

To check your district's daily Fire Danger Rating, visit cfa.vic.gov.au, download the **VicEmergency App** or call **1800 226 226**.

	What does it mean?	What should I do?
CATASTROPHIC	<p>If a fire starts and takes hold, lives are likely to be lost.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » These are the most dangerous conditions for a fire. 	<p>For your survival, leave bushfire risk areas.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Your life may depend on the decisions you make, even before there is a fire. » For your survival, do not be in bushfire risk areas. » Stay safe by going to a safer location early in the morning or the night before. » Homes cannot withstand fires in these conditions. You may not be able to leave and help may not be available.
EXTREME	<p>Fires will spread quickly and be extremely dangerous.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » These are dangerous fire conditions. » Expect hot, dry and windy conditions. 	<p>Take action now to protect your life and property</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Check your bushfire plan and that your property is fire ready » If a fire starts, take immediate action. If you and your property are not prepared to the highest level, go to a safer location well before the fire impacts. » Reconsider travel through bushfire risk areas. » Leaving bushfire risk areas early in the day is your safest option.
HIGH	<p>Fires can be dangerous.</p>	<p>Be ready to act.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » There's a heightened risk. Be alert for fires in your area. » Decide what you will do if a fire starts. » If a fire starts, your life and property may be at risk. The safest option is to avoid bushfire risk areas.
MODERATE	<p>Most fires can be controlled.</p>	<p>Plan and prepare.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Stay up to date and be ready to act if there is a fire.

Monitor conditions and official sources for warnings by going to cfa.vic.gov.au, emergency.vic.gov.au or call the VicEmergency Hotline on **1800 226 226**

Know Your Total Fire Ban District



MALLEE DISTRICT

Buloke Shire
Gannawarra Shire
Mildura Rural City
Swan Hill Rural City
Yarriambiack Shire
(north of the netting fence)

WIMMERA DISTRICT

Hindmarsh Shire
Horsham Rural City
Northern Grampians Shire
West Wimmera Shire
Yarriambiack Shire (south of the netting fence)

NORTHERN COUNTRY DISTRICT

Campaspe Shire
Greater Bendigo City
Greater Shepparton City
Loddon Shire
Moirra Shire
Strathbogrie Shire

NORTH EAST DISTRICT

Alpine Shire
Benalla Rural City
Falls Creek Alpine Resort
Indigo Shire
Mansfield Shire
Mount Buller Alpine Resort
Mount Hotham Alpine Resort
Mount Stirling Alpine Resort
Towong Shire
Wangarrata Rural City
Wodonga City

EAST GIPPSLAND DISTRICT

East Gippsland Shire

CENTRAL DISTRICT

Ballarat City
Banyule City
Bass Coast Shire
Bayside City
Boroondara City
Brimbank City
Cardinia Shire
Casey City
Darebin City
Frankston City
French Island
Glen Eira City
Golden Plains
Greater Dandenong City
Greater Geelong City
Hepburn Shire
Hobsons Bay City
Hume City
Kingston City
Knox City
Macedon Ranges Shire
Manningham City
Maribyrnong City
Maroondah City
Melbourne City
Melton Shire
Monash City
Moonee Valley City
Moorabool Shire
Moreland City
Mornington Peninsula Shire
Nillumbik Shire
Port Phillip City
Queenscliffe Borough
Stonnington City
Surf Coast Shire
Whitehorse City
Whittlesea City
Wyndham City
Yarra City
Yarra Ranges Shire

SOUTH WEST DISTRICT

Ararat Rural City
Colac Otway Shire
Corangamite Shire
Glenelg Shire
Moynes Shire
Pyrenees Shire
Southern Grampians Shire
Warrnambool City

NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT

Central Goldfields Shire
Lake Mountain Alpine Resort
Mitchell Shire
Mount Alexander Shire
Murrindindi Shire

WEST & SOUTH GIPPSLAND DISTRICT

Baw Baw Shire
Latrobe City
Mount Baw Baw Alpine Resort
South Gippsland Shire
Wellington Shire



TOTAL FIRE BANS
Total Fire Bans are declared by CFA on days when fires are likely to spread rapidly and be difficult to control.

On days of Total Fire Ban there are legal restrictions in force to reduce the likelihood of fires starting.

Victoria is divided into nine Total Fire Ban districts. Total Fire Bans are declared by district and you must know which district you live in. A list of municipalities that are located in each of the districts is shown in the coloured boxes.

For more information on Total Fire Bans and fire restrictions please call the VicEmergency Hotline on **1800 226 226** or via National Relay Service on **1800 555 677** or visit cfa.vic.gov.au

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