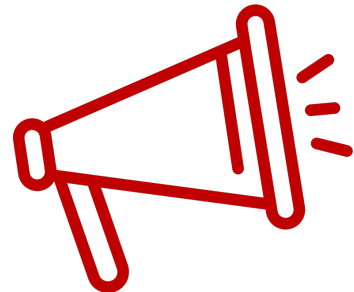


Your Bushfire Safety Plan and COVID

Leaving early during COVID-19 will be a little different this summer. During coronavirus (COVID-19) restrictions, you can leave your home during an emergency or if your safety is at risk.

Consider the following in your leave early plan to protect yourself and your loved ones against coronavirus (COVID-19):



- During COVID-19 restrictions you may travel if you are leaving as part of your bushfire plan.
- Add to your ['Emergency Kit'](#)
 - Additional face masks
 - Hand sanitiser - more than 60% alcohol
 - Antibacterial wipes
- Some 'leave early' destinations may not be available due to coronavirus (COVID-19) restrictions.
 - Cinemas and other public venues may be closed.
- If you plan to stay with relatives or friends when you leave early:
 - Consider alternative arrangements if your plan is to stay with elderly relatives or immuno-compromised relatives or friends to reduce the risk of vulnerable people being exposed to coronavirus (COVID-19)
 - Follow coronavirus (COVID-19) [health advice](#)
 - Wear a face mask
 - Practise good hygiene. Wash or sanitise your hands often when in someone else's home
 - Do not shake hands, hug or kiss as a greeting
 - Maintain physical distancing, keep at least 1.5 metres away from others
 - Do not share food or drink. Do not share items like drink bottles, glasses, plates or cutlery
- If you are unwell or have symptoms isolate yourself from others, ensure you always wear a face mask and get tested as soon as possible.
- If you are in quarantine or isolation due to coronavirus, you can leave your home if you are in an emergency or your home is unsafe – but try to get back into self-isolation as soon as you safely can.
- Alert emergency services that you are a close contact, have recently tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) or if you are experiencing symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) if you attend an emergency relief centre or Community Fire Refuge.

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