



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.

For an accessible word version or to print or download this template, go to **www.cfa.vic.gov.au/leaveearly**

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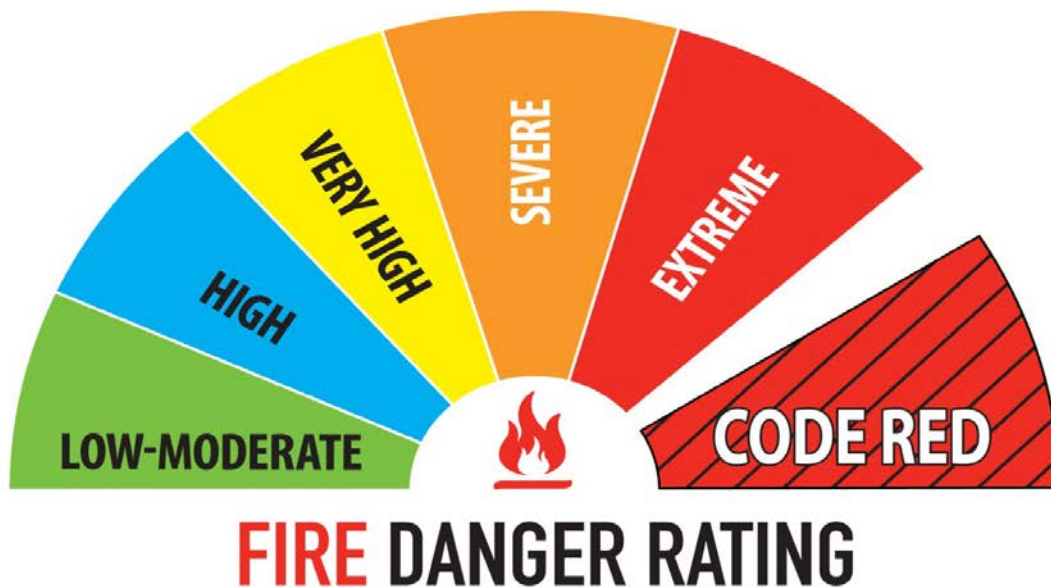
This Bushfire Survival Plan is for:

When living at:

My Fire Weather District is:

My plan was completed on: (dd/mm/yyyy)

1. My Fire Danger Rating trigger to leave is



CODE RED

- Night before
- Early in the morning

EXTREME

- Night before
- Early in the morning

SEVERE








- Night before
- Early in the morning



Code Red 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

	<input type="checkbox"/> My neighbour, relative, friend, support worker or carer
	<input type="checkbox"/> Listening to ABC Local Radio or my designated community radio station
	<input type="checkbox"/> Monitoring the VicEmergency app or website www.emergency.vic.gov.au
	<input type="checkbox"/> Watching Sky News TV
	<input type="checkbox"/> 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)

Medical equipment, medications and prescriptions

Essential items for daily living

(mobility aids, communication aids, assistive technology devices and chargers)

What I will take (continued)

- Important documents** (will, insurance papers)

- Other**

My emergency kit is stored

4. I will stay at

Option 1

Name _____

Telephone _____

Mobile number _____

Address _____

I am able to stay more than one night

Yes No

Option 2

Name _____

Telephone _____





Mobile number _____

Address _____

I am able to stay more than one night

Yes 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 type="checkbox"/> Taxi or other ride share options Company _____ Telephone _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> My neighbour, relative or friend picking me up Always make sure to call the day/night before to confirm they are still picking me up Name _____ _____ Telephone _____

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

- Pet(s) will come with me**
(with their leads, food, bedding, crate etc.)
- Pet(s) will be left at home**
(with fresh water and food)
- I have an assistance animal that travels with me**
- Pet(s) will be left with neighbours or in a kennel**
(with lead, food, bedding, vaccination certificates)

Name of kennel _____

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

Personal contacts

Name

Telephone or email

Name

Telephone or email

Name

Telephone or email

Name

Telephone or email

I will tell these people that I am leaving early (continued)

Service providers

Name

Telephone or email

Name

Telephone or email

Name

Telephone or email

Name

Telephone or email

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 _____

- Actively shelter at home**

- Go to a Place of Last Resort**
Designated Neighbourhood Safer Place or
Community Fire Refuge

Location _____

Route(s) I will take to get there

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

- When the Fire Danger Rating is Severe, Extreme or Code Red, leaving the night before or early in the morning is the safest option for your survival.
- Bushfires can occur suddenly and without warning.
- Sheltering in an unprepared house without active defence is extremely dangerous. The safest option is always to leave the day before or early in the morning.
- 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 to protect you during a bushfire.
- 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 it's 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.