

## Bushfire Season – Prepare – Act – Survive!



### Background

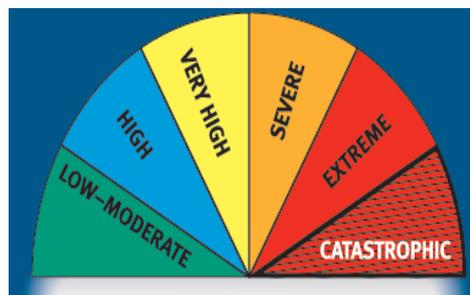
Bushfires tend to be most common and most severe during Summer and Autumn (December - March). Preparation of the site / service in a high bushfire prone location is an essential key throughout the year to ensure the property and most importantly those within the property have the best chance for survival. A well prepared site / service is more likely to survive a bushfire than one that has not been prepared.

### What do You need to do?

1. Site and Service Managers should review and familiarise themselves with Section 41.0 of Endeavours Emergency Response Manual (QD 4200);
2. If your site or service is susceptible to Bushfires, ensure you have developed a Bushfire Management Plan (QF 4200.02) specific for your site;

**On days of Catastrophic or Extreme fire risk, the Evacuation Coordinator / Chief Warden must initiate 'Leave Early' procedures by:**

- Relocating occupants to a designated alternative location, preferably the day before;
- Notifying the relevant Service / Area Manager of the relocation and the planned route to be taken;
- Take the Emergency Evacuation Kit;
- Remain in contact with the relevant Service / Area Manager and act as directed;
- Avoid forested areas, thick bush or long grass areas;
- Monitor media outlets, radio, TV, mobile phone and internet for bush fire updates;
- Wait for the 'all-clear' from the Service / Area Manager before returning occupants and staff to the Building



### Need more information?

- New South Wales - <http://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/>
- Queensland - <https://www.ruralfire.qld.gov.au/>
- Victoria - <http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/>

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