

Are you prepared for an emergency?



This information is provided for your planning and preparation. It is intended to empower you with information and compliments advice and direction of appropriate authorities such as Police and RFS.

 For life threatening emergencies, call 000

NSW Rural Fire Service



The agency responsible for combatting bushfires in the Wingecarribee Shire is the NSW Rural Fire Service (RFS).

Please refer to the RFS website for information regarding bushfire preparedness including how to develop a Bush Fire Survival Plan.

If you have any questions, need advice or assistance in developing your plan, please contact NSW RFS.

 rfs.nsw.gov.au
 1800 679 737

Fire and Rescue NSW



Fire & Rescue NSW is the principal urban fire and rescue service. Their responsibilities also include hazardous materials (HAZMAT) response.

 fire.nsw.gov.au

Fire Danger Ratings

The new Fire Danger Ratings have four levels (formally six) Moderate, High, Extreme and Catastrophic and provide a clear indication of the fire if one was to start. The higher the fire danger rating, the more dangerous the conditions.

Fire Danger Rating	What you should do
CATASTROPHIC	For your survival leave bush fire risk areas
EXTREME	Take action now to protect your life and property
HIGH	Be ready to act
MODERATE	Plan and prepare

Status and Alert Levels

Status & Alert Levels	What you should do
EMERGENCY WARNING 	An Emergency Warning is the highest level of Bush Fire Alert. You may be in danger and need to take action immediately . Any delay now puts your life at risk.
WATCH & ACT 	There is a heightened level of threat. Conditions are changing and you need to start taking action now to protect you and your family .
ADVICE 	A fire has started. There is no immediate danger. Stay up to date in case the situation changes.

During bushfires it is important to monitor conditions and keep up to date with the latest emergency information.

 Bush Fire Information Line: 1800 679 737

Neighbourhood Safer Places

Neighbourhood Safer Places are a place of last resort during a bushfire emergency. They are **NOT** an evacuation centre. They are to be used when all other options in your Bush Fire Survival Plan can't be put into action safely.

Be aware of the Neighbourhood Safer Places in your area, and know how to get there, as well as alternate routes in case the road is blocked or too dangerous to drive on.

Remember, your safest option will always be to leave early.

 Find your nearest at rfs.nsw.gov.au

KEY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION

Whether you are visiting or a permanent resident, take some time to familiarise yourself with the location of your nearest Police, RFS, pharmacy, doctor, vet and hospital.

Important Apps



Emergency + uses GPS to help a Triple Zero (000) caller provide critical location details required to mobilise emergency services.



Hazards Near Me NSW shows information about emergencies, including bushfire and advice on how to stay safe.



Get Prepared empowers you to make important decisions ahead of time by completing your RediPlan.



BOM Weather The Bureau of Meteorology's weather app, giving you accurate weather information.



LiveTraffic Live Traffic NSW provides real-time information about roads and changed traffic conditions on NSW roads.

Disclaimer

This information is not intended to supersede any formal advice given to you by an appropriate authority such as Police or RFS. Current as of August 2023.



Bushfire

- For emergencies**
000. 112 from a mobile
- Bush Fire Info Line**
1800 679 737

- RFS information**
rfs.gov.au
- Southern Highlands RFS**
4868 5500



Police

- For emergencies**
000. 112 from a mobile
- Information**
police.nsw.gov.au

- Crime Stoppers**
1800 333 000
- Police non emergencies**
131 444



Roads and traffic

- Local road closures**
wsc.nsw.gov.au

- Major roads or highways**
Livetraffic.com.au



Emergency updates

- Official broadcaster**
ABC Illawarra 97.3
- Commercial**
2ST Bowral 102.9

- Commercial**
Highland FM 107.1
- Commercial**
Power FM 94.9



Health services

- Bowral Hospital**
4861 0200

- Ambulance**
000. 112 from a mobile



Endeavour Energy

- Emergency**
131 003

- Enquiries**
133 718



Additional support

- TTY users**
1800 555 677
then 1800 679 737

- Translated fact sheets**
rfs.gov.au

Scan the QR code to find out more about bushfire management.

wsc.nsw.gov.au/environment/Bushfire-Management



wsc.nsw.gov.au



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