# When making your Bushfire Survival Plan you should consider bushfire weather and the daily Fire Danger Rating.





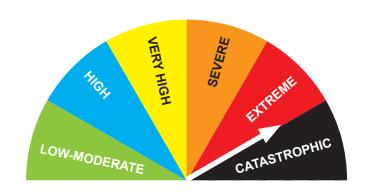
#### **Bushfire Weather**

- High temperature, low humidity and winds contribute to increased fire danger.
- Bushfires that break out on very hot, dry and windy days can move fast and may be difficult or impossible for firefighters to control.
- These fires can burn large areas of forest and farmland, destroy homes, community assets and livestock, and sometimes kill and injure people.

## **Fire Danger Rating**

The Fire Danger Rating warns of the potential impact of a bushfire on any given day based on forecast weather conditions. During bushfire season the Fire Danger Rating will be widely publicised.

• As the Fire Danger Rating increases so does the likelihood that people may die or be injured if a fire was to start.



# The further up the Fire Danger Rating scale you go

# Fire will be unpredictable, uncontrollable and very fast moving

#### **Low-Moderate**

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### High

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Look up and/or listen for emergency alerts and be ready for action. ABC radio, www.fire.tas.gov.au and www.alert.tas.gov.au provide up to date bushfire information.

#### **Check your level of bushfire risk**

- My area has a bushfire history
- I live in a rural setting
- I live within a couple of streets of bushland
- I have trees and shrubs around my home

If you answered yes to one or more of these questions then your home is at risk of a bushfire.

#### **Very High**

Only stay if your home is well prepared and you can actively defend it.

My home is not well prepared. I do not have access to water.

**Put my Leave Early Plan into action** 

Look up and/or listen for emergency

alerts. ABC radio, www.fire.tas.gov.au

and www.alert.tas.gov.au provide

up to date alerts advice.

Only return home when it is safe.

I am not physically, emotionally prepared or capable to fight a fire. I do not have the required fire fighting equipment.

#### My home is well prepared. I do have access to water.

Severe

Leaving is the safest option for

your survival. Only stay if your

home is well prepared and you

can actively defend it.

I am physically and emotionally prepared and capable to fight a fire. I have well maintained equipment.

#### **Put my Stay and Defend Plan** into action

Look up and/or listen for emergency alerts. Do not leave at the last minute.

Keep patrolling home for 2 hours after the fire has passed.

## **Extreme**

Leaving is the safest option for your survival. Only well prepared, well constructed and actively defended houses are likely to offer safety during a fire.

## Catastrophic

Leaving early is the safest option for your survival-regardless of any plan to stay and defend.

#### **Put my Leave Early Plan into action**

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**Understand your bushfire risk** and survival options. Have a backup plan!

