

CYCLONE SMART

CYCLONE SEASON: NOVEMBER TO APRIL



EMERGENCY KIT

You, your family and your pets will have a better chance of survival if you prepare an emergency kit before the cyclone season. Whether you shelter at home or relocate to a safer place your emergency kit needs to include:

GENERAL ITEMS

- Store important documents like passports, ID and insurance information in a waterproof bag
- Portable, battery operated AM/FM radio
- Waterproof torch and new, spare batteries
- First aid kit with manual
- Medications, toiletries and sanitary supplies
- Mobile phone and charger (or phone card)
- Cash and bank cards
- Spare house and car keys
- Special requirements for infants, elderly, injured or people with disabilities, and pets

FOOD & WATER

- Drinking water – at least 12 litres per person
- Canned food – enough for 4 days
- A can opener, cooking gear and eating utensils
- Container for storing washing and cooking water

PLANNING TO RELOCATE? YOU NEED TO INCLUDE:

- Sleeping bags, blankets and towels
- Tent or tarpaulin
- Pen and paper
- Books, playing cards or games
- Waterproof ponchos
- Spare clothing



EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS

For your convenience, fill out the information below.

Police, Fire, Ambulance (for life threatening emergencies): **000**
 State Emergency Service (SES) assistance: **132 500**
 Local GP / Doctors surgery: _____
 Local shire / council: _____
 Neighbour: _____
 Out-of-area family contact: _____
 School: _____
 Work numbers: _____
 Insurance company: _____



STAY INFORMED

Emergency WA website: www.emergency.wa.gov.au
 Bureau of Meteorology Cyclone Warning Line: **1300 659 210**
 BOM Land Weather and Flood Warnings Line: **1300 659 213**
 Road conditions (Main Roads): **138 138** or travelmap.mainroads.wa.gov.au/
13 DFES (13 3337)
 DFES Emergency Information: facebook.com/dfeswa
 DFES Facebook page: twitter.com/dfes_wa
 DFES Twitter feed: www.bom.gov.au/cyclone/
 Weather and cyclone forecasts:
 ABC Radio – Local frequency: _____
 (Add your local ABC Radio frequency in the box on the right)



BLUE ALERT - Get ready for a cyclone

When a blue alert is issued, you need to start preparing for dangerous weather.

WHAT TO DO NOW:



- Keep up to date with the latest cyclone information through radio, television and online.
- Remind everyone in the household of the cyclone plan they committed to.
- Ensure your emergency kit and relocation kit are complete.
- Secure items like boats, caravans, trailers, garden sheds, rainwater tanks, outdoor furniture, loose material, LPG bottles and rubbish around your home and work.
- Check in with friends and neighbours to make sure they're getting prepared too.



YELLOW ALERT - Act now to stay safe

You need to get ready to shelter from a cyclone.

WHAT TO DO NOW:



- Keep up to date with the latest cyclone information through radio, television and online – particularly storm surge advice.
- Put your plan into action. Go to your nearest evacuation centre if you have planned to.
- Put fuel in your vehicle and move it undercover.
- Fasten all cyclone screens or board up exposed windows. Close your curtains and lock your doors.
- Ensure pets and animals are in a safe area.
- If you live in a low-lying coastal area and there is risk of a storm surge, you may be advised to relocate now.



RED ALERT - Shelter now

Take shelter immediately. It is too late to leave.

WHAT TO DO NOW:



- Stay inside and shelter in the strongest, safest part of your house or evacuation centre.
- Keep listening to your portable radio for cyclone information. Don't rely on your mobile phone working.
- Keep your emergency kit with you.
- Turn off all electrical appliances and gas supply valves.
- Stay away from doors and windows and keep them closed.
- Stay inside until the ALL CLEAR is given.



ALL CLEAR - Be careful

The threat has passed, but there may be dangers caused by cyclone damage.

WHAT TO DO NOW:



- Check that your family and pets are safe and well.
- Listen to the radio and follow advice from authorities.
- Be careful of fallen powerlines and trees, damaged water and sewerage lines, loose roof sheeting and other materials.
- Keep electrical appliances off. Never use matches, cigarette lighters or naked flames, as there may be a gas leak.
- Drive slowly and do not drive into water of unknown depth and current.
- If your property has sustained serious damage and you need help, call the SES on 132 500 for assistance. For life threatening emergencies, call 000.

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