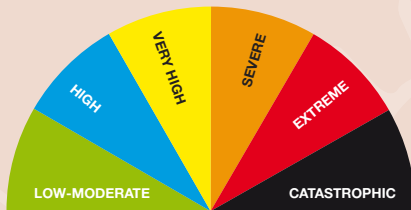


How to read bushfire danger ratings and alerts



Bushfire danger ratings and alerts will help you to plan when to leave and the actions to take to keep you and your mob safe from bushfires.

What do bushfire danger ratings mean?



Bushfire danger ratings tell you the possible consequences if a fire was to start. Regularly checking the bushfire danger ratings will help you decide what you need to do to keep you and your family safe.

If the fire danger is:

- **Catastrophic: Extreme: Severe:** Leave early in the day to avoid dangerous fire conditions. Leaving early is the safest option for you and your family.
- **Very High: High: Low-moderate:** Stay informed and be prepared to leave. Review your [My Mob's Bushfire Safety Plan](#) so you know what to do.

The higher the fire danger rating, the more dangerous the conditions. You can check the fire danger rating for your area by visiting [NSW RFS website](#).

What do bushfire alerts mean?



During a bushfire, alerts are used to indicate the level of threat from a fire. The three level of bushfire alerts are:

- **Advice:** A fire has started. There is no immediate danger. Stay up to date in case the situation changes.
- **Watch and 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.
- **Emergency Warning:** You may be in danger and need to take action immediately. Any delay now puts your life at risk.

When there is a bushfire safety risk, the NSW RFS will send out alerts online, on TV and through local radio and newspapers.

Plan to leave early



Bushfire situations change quickly and sometimes there isn't enough time to watch for bushfire danger ratings and alerts.

The AH&MRC recommends leaving early as the safest option to protect you and your family from bushfires. Use [My Mob's Bushfire Safety Plan](#) to plan what your family will do in a bushfire emergency.

For more information on how to prepare you and your mob for bushfire season, visit www.ahmrc.org.au/bushfire-safety

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