



# Bush Fire Alerts

## KEEP INFORMED, STAY SAFE

Where there is a risk from bush fire, the NSW Rural Fire Service uses Bush Fire Alerts to provide information to affected communities using **radio**, **television**, and the **internet**. There are three Bush Fire Alert levels to help you make the right choices for your safety.

**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**  
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.

### Where can you get information during a bush fire?

- Bush Fire Information Line  
1800 NSW RFS  
(1800 679 737)
- NSW Rural Fire Service  
website [www.rfs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au)
- [www.facebook.com/nswrfs](http://www.facebook.com/nswrfs)  
[www.twitter.com/nswrfs](http://www.twitter.com/nswrfs)
- Local Radio, TV, Newspapers

*Remember a fire can threaten suddenly. Don't rely on a single source for emergency information, and be ready to act.*

### An **EMERGENCY WARNING** is the highest level of Bush Fire Alert.

The alert will give information about the severity of the fire, its location and what you should do. Bush Fire Alerts are not always given in the above order. A fire may be at 'Watch and Act' or 'Emergency Warning' first. Some fires start and spread so quickly that there is no time for any warning at all. You should be prepared to put your Bush Fire Survival Plan into action with little or no warning.

Include Bush Fire Alerts in your Bush Fire Survival Plan as triggers to Leave Early or prepare to Stay and Defend where appropriate.

