



Tasmania Fire Service

Community Bushfire Protection Plan

ZEEHAN

Incl: Austral, Dundas, Comstock, and Trial
Harbour

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Tasmania Fire Service may
not be able to protect you
during some bushfires.

Know what to do and
where to go when
threatened by bushfire.

Are **YOU** bushfire ready?

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1800 000 699 or visit our website

www.fire.tas.gov.au



SCAN TO PLAN



Use your phone camera or
a QR code scanner to scan the
code and start your 5 Minute
Bushfire Plan now!

Most of Tasmania is
bushfire-prone. Every
year you need to be
bushfire ready.

This Community Bushfire Protection
Plan sets out the things you should
do to survive a bushfire.

Get the latest version
and use it to update
your personal
Bushfire Plan.



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BEFORE THE FIRE

1) Prepare your home for bushfire.

- Use the Tasmania Fire Service *Bushfire Safety Guide* to do your *Bushfire Plan*, and prepare your property.
- Even if you plan to leave early, preparing your home gives you another shelter option, and firefighters a better chance to save it.

2) Decide what you will do and write down your plan.

- Will you leave early, or will you stay and defend your home?
- Decide now, and fill out your *Bushfire Plan*.

3) If you can, talk with your neighbours.

- What are their plans? Are they aware of your plans?

4) Review your insurance policy.

- Are your home and contents covered for bushfire?

WHEN FIRES ARE LIKELY, OR NEARBY

1) Keep Informed.

- Check the weather forecast and Fire Danger Rating daily.
 - It is up to you to keep up to date with current conditions and warnings by monitoring, listening and staying connected.
 - Monitor information at fire.tas.gov.au and the weather at bom.gov.au and listen to [ABC Local Radio](#).
 - Watch for smoke and fires.
- If bushfires are in your area, don't wait for an official warning.

2) Put your *Bushfire Plan* into action.

- The safest option for all bushfires is to leave early, before a bushfire threatens you and your home.
 - Consider leaving immediately if 'Severe', 'Extreme' or 'Catastrophic' Fire Danger Ratings are forecast for the following day.
 - Leaving the day before because of a bad fire danger forecast isn't always practical. So, if waiting until a bushfire breaks out in your area, leave early before roads are cut by fire, fallen trees or power-lines.
 - Head away from any fires; towards a town centre is often best.
 - Be prepared to stay away from your home for several days.
- **A safe option for some bushfires.**
For less intense bushfires, you may stay & defend your home if:
 - a) You have prepared it for bushfires, with fire-fighting equipment and plenty of water.
 - b) You are fit and emotionally prepared (it is best to evacuate children and other dependents early).
- **An unsafe option is to 'wait and see', then flee at the last minute.**
 - If you don't have a plan, leave immediately.
 - If a bushfire catches you by surprise and it's unsafe to stay at home but too late to leave the area, go to a nearby safer place and wait for the fire front to pass through.

AFTER THE FIRE

- 1) Make sure everyone's safe, check on your neighbours if you can.
- 2) Tune in to the information sources at fire.tas.gov.au and listen to [ABC Local Radio](#).
- 3) If at home, put out any embers and spot-fires threatening your home.
- 4) If your home is destroyed, contact your local council for assistance.



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or if a TTY user call 106

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Guide & Bushfire Plan*
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NSP NEARBY SAFER PLACES

A nearby safer place is somewhere you can shelter at during a bushfire if you cannot carry out the first option of your *Bushfire Plan*. A nearby safer place is somewhere close by that you can access quickly and safely, and that provides shelter from radiant heat.



Using nearby safer places is not without risk. They are a place of last resort, not your only option.

Nearby safer places may include town centres; or large open areas e.g. recreation grounds, golf courses, beaches, ploughed or irrigated fields and community parks with mown grass.

Tasmania Fire Service has identified some nearby safer places in this area (see below).

- List other nearby safer places, close to where you live in your personal *Bushfire Plan*.
- Prepare your home and identify nearby safer places. Otherwise leave early.
- Travelling through fire impacted areas is unsafe and should be avoided, even in a car.

Nearby Safer Places (these are places of last resort):

• Zeehan Primary School

25 Belstead Street
Map Grid: E7 (Zeehan)

• Trial Harbour Beach

Access beach from Ernies Drive
Map Grid: C5 (Trial Harbour)

• Neighbouring plans may have additional Nearby Safer Places.

**Add Nearby Safer Places to your
Bushfire Plan.**









