

Our Emergency Plan



LYONVILLE

Our phone number/s:

Our address is:

Our weather and fire district is: *Central*

For more information, visit lyonville.org.au

A local resource to help the communities of Lyonville and surrounding areas to be better planned and prepared for the next emergency.

Before a storm

Severe weather can happen at any time of the year.

To minimise damage try and keep your property storm ready at all times by:

- Clearing your gutters, downpipes and drain and fix any damage to your roof.
- Trim trees and branches that could fall on your home or property.
- Secure all loose items around your house.
- Check and test your generator, if owned.
- Monitor weather warnings via the Vic Emergency App or the Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) website.
- Check your emergency contact numbers.
- Locate your emergency kit and activate your emergency plan.
- Keep mobile phones fully charged and have a battery-powered radio and torch ready in case of a power outage.
- Make sure your cars have petrol and are parked undercover, away from trees and are facing out of the driveway.
- ✔ Check in on your family members, neighbours and friends as they may need a hand getting storm ready.
- ✔ Bring pets inside and relocate livestock to open paddocks away from trees.
- ✔ Fill kettles and water containers for access to water in a power outage.

Listen to ABC radio 774 AM or 107.9 FM.

Watch ABC News 24 or SkyNews.

During a storm

When a storm happens, you may only have a short time to react.

- Stay indoors and away from windows.
- Keep doors and windows closed and draw curtains.
- If caught outdoors take shelter away from drains, gutters, creeks and waterways, and head to indoors as soon as it's safe to do so.
- If in your car during a severe storm:
 - Pull over onto the side of the road away from trees.
 - Turn your headlights on so your vehicle can be seen.
 - Keep the windows closed.

Try to stay calm and support other family members (including pets) during the storm by:

- ✔ Providing favourite comfort toys, games or books.
- ✔ Trying to stay together in the same room and not to leave them on their own.
- ✔ Keep to normal activities and routines as much as possible.
- ✘ Avoid driving if possible as visibility may be low and water, trees and branches may reduce road access.
- ✘ Do not shelter under or near trees.

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After a storm

Severe weather events can cause significant damage in a short amount of time so take care when going outside after a storm.

If safe to do so, check:

- Your home and property for damage.
- Your livestock and property fences.
- On your family members, friends and neighbours.
- ✔ Let your family members, friends and neighbours know that you are OK.

If returning home or travelling after a storm:

- ✔ Be aware of road hazards, such as floodwater, debris, and damaged roads and bridges.
- ✔ Keep clear of damaged buildings, powerlines and trees.
- ✔ Take photos of any damage caused by the storm and contact your insurance company.
- ✘ Don't drive through affected areas unless it is necessary.
- ✘ Don't let children or pets play in or near floodwaters caused by the storm.
- ✘ Never drive, ride or walk through floodwaters caused by the storm.

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Staying safe during a power outage

- ✔ If an electrical storm is coming, turn off mains-powered devices and unplug them to stop them being damaged in a lightning strike or other power surges.
- ✔ Keep clear of fallen powerlines and report them to Powercor on 13 24 12.
- ✔ If there has been significant damage to your property, ensure a licensed electrician checks that it is safe to turn your power back on.
- ✔ Try to wait until the storm has passed before turning mains-powered services back on.
- ✘ Never use a generator inside or attempt to modify extension leads to connect power to household wiring.

Staying connected during an emergency

- ⚠ Power outages are common in emergencies and this can impact landlines, mobile phone and internet connections.
- ✔ Keep your mobile charged and have a backup power source, like a battery pack. Even without a mobile plan or SIM card it is possible to contact 000 with a charged mobile phone, in mobile reception areas.
- ✔ Plan ahead and don't rely on a single type of communications technology to keep connected. Consider how you will communicate if your mobile, landline and/or internet services are not available.
- ✔ Make sure your emergency contact list is up to date.
- ✔ The Lyonville Community Hall is equipped with a generator and charging capabilities and is available as a backup resource for all residents.

STORM

Before a bushfire

Leaving early is the safest option to protect yourself and your family.

Leaving early means leaving the area before a fire starts — not when you can see flames or smell smoke.

- Monitor weather warnings via the Vic Emergency App or website.
- Check your emergency contact numbers.
- Locate your emergency kit and activate your emergency plan.
- Check in on your family members, friends and neighbours as they may need a hand getting ready for the bushfire.
- Keep mobile phones fully charged and have a battery-powered radio and torch ready in case of a power outage.
- Make sure your cars have petrol and are parked facing out of the driveway.
- Ensure your pets (incl. livestock) can be easily identified and relocated, if needed.
- Decide your trigger to leave and consider:
 - When will you leave?
 - Where will you go?
 - How will you get there?
 - What you need to take with you?
 - Who needs to know that you have left?

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During a bushfire

When all other bushfire plans have failed, try to get to a *Neighbourhood Safer Place* (NSP).

A NSP may provide some protection from a bushfire but they do not guarantee safety.

Your nearest NSPs are:

- 📍 **Trentham — Camp St (Between Cosmo Rd and Bowen St)**
- 📍 **Daylesford Town Centre — Vincent St**

If you are unable to get to a NSP you may have to seek shelter in any available place such as:

- Ploughed paddock or reserve.
- Stationary car in a cleared area.
- ✗ Never seek shelter by climbing into a water tank or dam.

Remember to protect yourself from radiant heat by:

- ✓ Covering up exposed skin by wearing full length protective clothing and sturdy shoes such as boots or covering yourself with a dry woollen blanket.
- ✓ Move as far away as you can from the fire.
- ✓ Get behind a solid object or barrier such as a brick wall.
- ✓ Remember to drink water to keep hydrated.

Keep listening to ABC radio on 774 AM or 107.9 FM.

After a bushfire

Always check with your local police, CFA and council before trying to go home.

Even if the fire has been controlled, you might not be able to return home because of no safe access route, disruptions to essential services or there being potential crime scenes.

An *Emergency Relief Centre* (ERC) may be opened for people that cannot return home.

The location of your nearest ERC will be announced via local radio and community meetings.

Some support and services may be available at an ERC such as food and water, Wi-Fi, accommodation.

- Check on your family members, friends and neighbours when it's safe to do so.
- Let your family members, friends and neighbours know that you are OK.

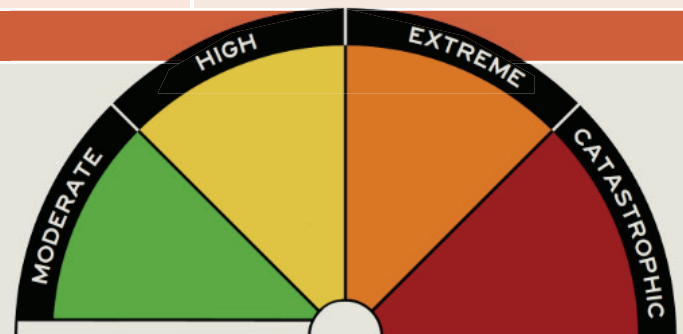
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Fire Danger Ratings

Fire Danger Ratings are important because they tell you how dangerous a fire could be if one started.

They also help you to decide what actions to take to stay safe.

Fire Danger Ratings will be issued on days when there is a fire risk.



MODERATE	HIGH	EXTREME	CATASTROPHIC
PLAN AND PREPARE	BE READY TO ACT	TAKE ACTION NOW TO PROTECT LIFE AND PROPERTY	FOR OUR SURVIVAL, LEAVE BUSHFIRE RISK AREAS

Important contact details

Nearest evacuation point	
First aid kit location	
Fire extinguisher/blanket	
Our emergency contact	Name/Number
Our emergency contact	Name/Number
Our neighbours/friends	Name/Number
Our neighbours/friends	Name/Number
Our family vet	Name/Number
Other	Name/Number
Other	Name/Number

 **Defibrillator** A Defibrillator is available for emergency use at the Community Hall

Our emergency kit items:

- Torch with spare batteries
- First aid kit
- Important papers and documents
- Battery powered radio with spare batteries

Items to add when leaving:

- Mobile phone and chargers
- Prescriptions and medications
- Drinking water
- Valuables and personal items
- Change of clothes
- Woollen blanket

Items for our pets:

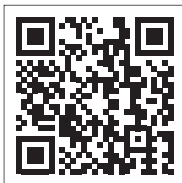
- Food, water and a bowl for each pet
- Collars, ID tags and leads
- Carriers, cages or bedding
- Favourite toys
- Medications and medical history

Other items to pack:

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Useful links:

Australian Red Cross RediPlan



Preparing pets for emergencies



The Lyonville and surrounds Emergency Preparedness Booklet is an adaptation of the booklet created by the Glenlyon Progress Association Inc. It has been developed by the Lyonville Community Planning Group Inc with funding from the Hepburn Shire Council Resilience Project. For more information about this booklet or to view it online visit: lyonville.org.au.


Hepburn Shire Council

 03 5348 2306

Nurse on Call

Health advice from a registered nurse
 1300 60 60 24

Poison Information Line

Advice and support for you or someone near you who has been exposed to poison
 13 11 26

Wildlife Victoria

Emergency support for injured wildlife
 03 8400 7300

Snake Handlers

Five Freedoms Animal Rescue
 0438 681 501

Vic Emergency Hotline

Information during and after major emergencies
 1800 226 226

Lifeline

Crisis support and suicidal prevention services
 13 11 14

Kids Helpline

Counselling service for people under 25yrs
 1800 551 800

Safe Steps

Counselling and support for people experiencing or at risk of experiencing family violence
 1800 015 188

Powercor

For electrical outages or faults
 13 24 12

VicRoads

Information on road closures and traffic hazards
 13 11 70

Police

Non-urgent emergencies
 131 444

Local Police Station

 Daylesford: 03 5348 2342

Daylesford Hospital

For non-life-threatening urgent care
 03 5321 6500

Local Medical Centre

Springs Medical
 Daylesford: 03 5348 2227

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

WHEN TO CALL 000 (triple zero)

Only call 000 if there is a threat to life or property.

When calling, you will need to know what service you require:

POLICE For dangerous or life threatening situations

FIRE For gas leaks and all fires including bushfire and house fire

AMBULANCE For life threatening health or medical conditions

Remain calm. Have your address ready (including the nearest cross street or nearby landmark).

Do not hang up until the call-taker advises you to do so.

WHEN TO CALL 132 500 (SES)

Only call 132 500 for flood or storm assistance, such as:

- ▶ Serious damage to home
- ▶ Property at risks of flooding
- ▶ Tree fallen on car at home

Remain calm. Stay away from fallen trees and powerlines.

STAY INFORMED

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Follow Vic Emergency:





We acknowledge the Dja Dja Wurrung as the Traditional Owners of the lands and waters on which we live and work.