FIRE DANGER RATINGS

Fire danger ratings are used on days when there's a risk of fires and you need to take action. The higher the fire danger, the more dangerous the conditions and the greater the consequences if a fire starts.

If you're in an area near bush or grasslands, you're in a bushfire risk area. Identify a safer location. A safer location may include an area well away from bushland. If you're in a remote area, consider going to a built-up area that may offer safety.

Fire Danger	MODERATE	HIGH	EXTREME	CATASTROPHIC
Key Message	Plan and prepare.	Be ready to act.	Take action now to protect your life and property.	For your survival, leave bushfire risk areas.
Fire Behaviour	Most fires can be controlled.	Fires can be dangerous.	Fires will spread quickly and be extremely dangerous.	If a fire starts and takes hold, lives are likely to be lost.
Supporting Messages	Stay up to date and be ready to act if there is a fire.	 There's a heightened risk. Be alert for fires in your area. Decide what you will do if a fire starts. If a fire starts, your life and property may be at risk. The safest option is to avoid bushfire risk areas. 	 These are dangerous fire conditions. Check your bushfire plan and ensure that your property is fire ready. If a fire starts, take immediate action. If you and your property are not prepared to the highest level, go to a safer location well before the fire impacts. Reconsider travel through bushfire risk areas. 	 These are the most dangerous conditions for a fire. Your life may depend on the decisions you make, even before there is a fire. Stay safe by going to a safer location early in the morning or the night before. Homes cannot withstand fires in these conditions. You may not be able to leave, and help may not be available.

Monitor conditions and official sources for warnings. Adhere to local regulations governing fire activity. Ensure any industrial or agricultural activities adhere to relevant industry guidelines. If a fire starts near you, take action immediately to protect your life. Do not wait for a warning.