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Bushfire

This factsheet is about what to do in a bushfire.

A bushfire is a big fire that can:

- move fast
- happen at any time
- be dangerous.



Dangerous means you can get hurt. For example, you can get burnt.



If there is a bushfire warning you have to decide to stay or go.



A bushfire can hurt you and your family.

What can a bushfire do?



A bushfire can damage your house.



A bushfire can damage things in your house, for example furniture.

To get ready for a bushfire you should:



Have an emergency kit.



Plan what you and your family will do if there is a bushfire warning.



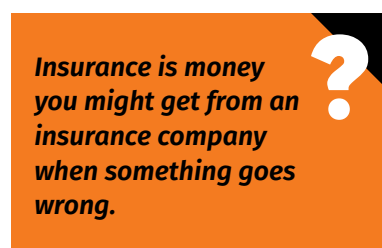
Get insurance for your house and things in your house.



You should also listen to ABC Radio or TV for bushfire warnings.



Clean up long grass and small trees near your house.



Cyclone

This factsheet is about what to do in a cyclone.

A cyclone is dangerous and might cause:



Strong winds.



Big thunderstorms.



Floods.



A cyclone can be dangerous. Dangerous means you can get hurt.

If there is a cyclone warning you should stay inside until the storm is over.

What can a cyclone do?



A cyclone can damage your house.



A cyclone can damage things in your house, for example furniture.



A cyclone can hurt you and your family.

To get ready for a cyclone you should:



Have an emergency kit.



Plan what you and your family will do if there is a cyclone warning.



Get insurance for your house and things in your house.



You should also listen to ABC Radio or TV for cyclone warnings.



Make your house and garden safe.

Insurance is money you might get from an insurance company when something goes wrong. ?



Earthquake

This factsheet is about what to do in a earthquake.

An earthquake is when the ground shakes.



Earthquakes can happen at any time, be big or small, and are dangerous.



Dangerous means you can get hurt. For example, something can fall on you.



An earthquake can hurt you and your family.

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What can an earthquake do?



An earthquake can damage your house.



An earthquake can damage things in your house, for example furniture.

To get ready for an earthquake you should:



Have an emergency kit.



Plan what you and your family will do if there is an earthquake warning.



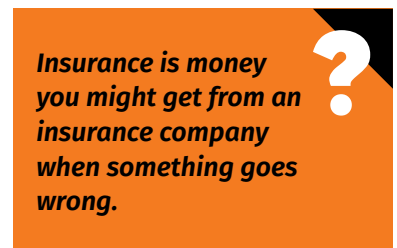
Get insurance for your house and things in your house.



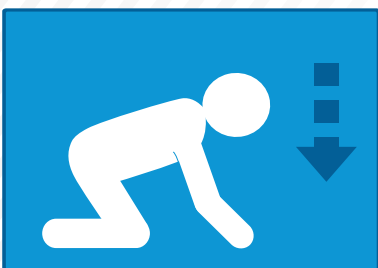
You should also listen to ABC Radio or TV for earthquake warnings.



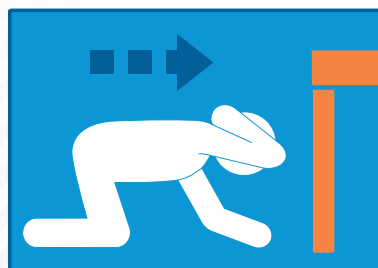
Make sure things in your house will not fall on you.



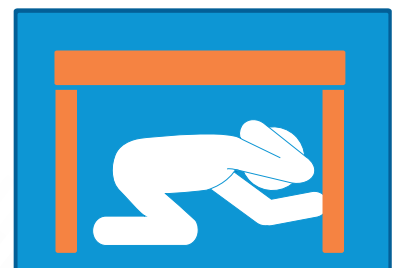
During an earthquake you should:



DROP!



COVER!



HOLD ON!



Flood

This factsheet is about what to do in a flood.

A flood is when water covers land and makes it hard for you to go outside.



Floods can happen at any time, be slow or quick, and be dangerous.



Dangerous means you can get hurt. For example, you can fall into the water and drown.



If there is a flood do not drive through water.

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What can a flood do?



A flood can hurt you and your family.
A flood can damage your house.



A flood can damage things in your house,
for example furniture.

To get ready for a flood you should:



Have an emergency kit.



Plan what you and your family will do if there is a flood warning.



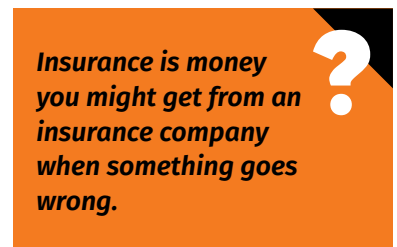
Get insurance for your house and things in your house.



Make your house and garden safe.



Put the things in your house up high.



You should also listen to ABC Radio or TV for flood warnings.

Severe Weather

This factsheet is about what to do in severe weather.

Severe weather might be:



Strong winds.



Big thunderstorms.



Large hail.



Severe weather can happen at any time.



Severe weather is dangerous. Dangerous means you can get hurt.



Severe weather can hurt you and your family.

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What can severe weather do?



Severe weather can damage your house.



Severe weather can damage things in your house, for example furniture.

To get ready for severe weather you should:



Have an emergency kit.



Plan what you and your family will do if there is a severe weather warning.



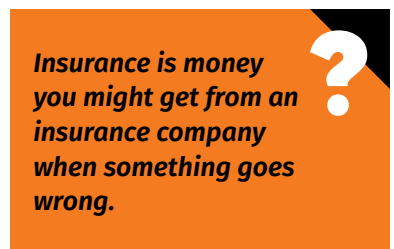
Get insurance for your house and things in your house.



You should also listen to ABC Radio or TV for severe weather warnings.



Make your house and garden safe.





Heat Wave

This factsheet is about what to do in a heat wave.

A heat wave is:

- Three or more days of very hot weather



Heat waves can happen during summer months - December to February



Heat waves can be dangerous. Dangerous means you can get hurt.



Heat waves can hurt you and your family.

What can a heat wave do?



Heat waves can hurt babies and young people.



Heat waves can hurt the elderly.



Heat waves can hurt people with medical conditions such as asthma.



Heat waves can hurt people who work outdoors.



Heat waves can hurt pets.

To get ready for a heat wave you should:



Drink 2 to 3 litres of water a day, even if you do not feel thirsty.



Limit intake of alcohol, soft drinks, tea or coffee.



Try to eat cold foods, particularly salads and fruit. Avoid heavy protein foods which raise body heat and increase fluid loss.



Do not leave children, adults or animals in parked cars.



Avoid going out in the hottest part of the day (11am–3pm).



Use fans and air-conditioners at home to keep cool, or spend time elsewhere in air-conditioning.

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