

PREPARING YOUR BUSINESS FOR A BUSHFIRE



The intensity and course of a bushfire can change rapidly and threaten the safety of homes and businesses alike. However, you can take action before, during and after a bushfire to reduce the impact on your business.

Before a bushfire



Clear leaves and debris from gutters, roofs and downpipes at your business premises. Fit quality metal leaf guards on gutters. Equip your premises with a sufficient number of fire extinguishers.



Keep yourself and your staff safe by ensuring that everyone is familiar with your evacuation plan and knows where first-aid and emergency kits are. Check that operational and other data is backed up, and that stock and other key items can be moved if needed.



Make sure you know what your insurance covers and that the sum for which you are insured covers the replacement value of what you would like to insure¹.

During a bushfire



Use a battery-powered radio to monitor your local radio station for updates on the bushfire, weather, power supply, emergency warnings and evacuation alerts. Contact **000** or your local SES in any emergency.



Close all windows and doors. Wear protective clothing. Ensure that you and your employees drink plenty of water to stay hydrated.



If you can, safely evacuate. Before you leave the premises turn off gas and power, close doors and windows, and plug gaps with wet towels.



After a bushfire



Stay away from fallen power lines and anything that they may be touching. Also avoid damaged gas lines.



Check for small spot fires on your premises and extinguish them if possible. If there is any danger, contact **000** or your local SES.



Once the danger has passed, take photos of damaged or destroyed items before disposing of them to assist in any insurance claims. Make your claim online at allianzclaims.com.au or call **13 10 13**.

We're here to help

Severe weather events take an emotional toll on us. If you are suffering, please visit allianz.com.au/support to find the right support measure for you.

References:

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