
LIVESTOCK AND COMPANION ANIMALS

For owners and those in charge of animals, planning for emergencies is critical. This includes companion animals, livestock owners, and wildlife shelter operators and foster carers. Personal safety plans and household or property plans should include contingencies for animals that will either remain on the property or be evacuated during an emergency.

Owners and those in charge of animals must take pre-emptive action by planning for animal needs and leaving early so that welfare problems can be avoided or minimised. The place you decide to go to depends on your individual needs.

West Wimmera Shire Council has limited spaces for companion animals at Edenhope. This is restricted to cats and dogs?

Please note the following owner responsibilities

- Provision of water and feed
- Supervision and care of animals
- Veterinary treatment for injuries, illness and humane destruction
- Animals must be tagged or micro chipped for ease of identification.

Please contact Adrian Schmidt for more details on 0417 628 874.

The Department of Primary Industries has the following guides for your consideration when preparing your plan in the case of fire. These can be incorporated with your personal Bushfire Survival Plan.

Farm and Livestock Bushfire Plan
Checklist for Farm and Livestock Bushfire Plan
Emergency Stock Containment Areas
Pets and Emergencies
Caring for animals during extreme heat
Haystack Fires (Spontaneous combustion)
Horses and Bushfires

Your key sources of information **preparing** for an emergency are -

- Planning for animals in the event of an emergency contact Department of Primary Industries on 136 186 or visit www.dpi.vic.gov.au/agriculture/farming-management/fire-flood-other-emergencies

Your key sources of information **during** an emergency are -

- Visit the Bureau of Meteorology Australia website when warnings and alerts are released (www.bom.gov.au).
- Listen to your emergency broadcasters: ABC Local Radio, commercial radio and designated community radio stations or SKY NEWS Television.
(Visit www.oesc.vic.gov.au on the internet for a full list of emergency broadcasters)
- For floods and storms – VIC SES Flood and Storm Information Line 1300 842 737.
(Visit www.ses.vic.gov.au on the internet)
- For bushfires - Ring the Victorian Bushfire Information Line on 1800 240 667
(visit www.cfa.vic.gov.au and look under FIRE SAFETY tab).

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