



TOURISM & RECREATION

# BUSH FIRE SAFETY FOR TRAVELLERS

PREPARE AN ESCAPE PLAN.  
IF CAUGHT IN A BUSH FIRE YOU MAY DIE.



If the conditions  
aren't good,  
don't go!





**Bush and grass fires often cross roads and highways and smoke can reduce visibility. Make sure you have all the information you will need to keep safe.**

### **BEFORE YOU GO ON THE ROAD CHECK:**

- Fire Danger Ratings and Bush Fire Alerts at [www.rfs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au) or on the Fires Near Me Smartphone application
- Weather conditions at [www.bom.gov.au/nsw/forecasts](http://www.bom.gov.au/nsw/forecasts)
- How you can call for help
- Survival kit packed, including a working battery operated radio, protective clothing, woollen blankets and water.

### **IF YOU'RE CAUGHT IN A FIRE:**

- Call Triple Zero **000**
- Park off the road in a clear area away from trees
- Face your car towards the fire
- Stay in the car below the windows to protect yourself from radiant heat
- Turn off the engine and turn on headlights and hazard lights
- Close windows and air vents
- Cover yourself with a woollen blanket
- Drink water
- Cover your mouth with a damp cloth
- Stay down until the sound of the fire has passed, carefully leave the car (it will be hot) and drink water.