

Background

- AFAC coordinated the national implementation of the new **Australian Warning System (AWS)** through the National AFAC Warnings Group.
- Due to recommendations from the Royal Commission into National Natural Disaster Arrangements – implement AWS and deliver a national community education program to support
- Post the Black Summer bushfires in 2019-2020, a social research project was undertaken across Australia to inform the development of this national multi hazard warning system for natural hazards - bushfire, flood, storm, extreme heat and severe weather. This incorporated and built on the research on a new National Fire Danger Rating System.
- Jurisdictions were provided funding to develop and implement localised community awareness and engagement campaigns to complement what was done nationally.
- Aim was to:
 - Raise awareness of the new national three-level AWS.
 - Increase understanding of the actions that community members should take when they receive a warning at one of the three levels – Advice, Watch and Act, Emergency Warning.
 - Empower people to make informed decisions, to take protective action, and to reduce the potential impacts and consequences of a hazard when they receive a warning.

National AWS campaign



The Australian Warning System is a new national approach to information and Calls to Actions for hazards like bushfire, flood, storm, cyclone, extreme heat and severe weather.

<p>BUSHFIRE</p>	<p>CYCLONE</p>	<p>STORM</p>
<p>FLOOD</p>	<p>EXTREME HEAT</p>	<p>OTHER</p>



The Australian Warning System
In an emergency, every second counts.

When an emergency is about to strike, Bushfire, Storm, Cyclone or Extreme Heat warnings alert you to the situation so you can get ready to take action.

An Emergency Warning is issued when the situation is serious and you need to take action immediately.

It is important to understand the new system, so you can understand the level of threat, what to do and what to expect.

There are three warning levels: **ADVISE**, **WATCH AND ACT**, and **EMERGENCY WARNING**.

ADVISE Advice means you receive the latest and most up-to-date information on the situation. Stay up to date to ease the situation changes.

WATCH AND ACT When you get a warning, you need to start taking action. Conditions are changing, you need to start taking action.

EMERGENCY WARNING You may be in danger and need to take action immediately. You must take action immediately.

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INUFFPOST!

الأطباء يكشفون عن "الطعام الأول الذي لن أتخلى عنه"

يقول خبراء الأكل إن خبراء الكيمياء من أستراليا اكتشفوا أن أول طعام يتناولونه في حالات الطوارئ هو...

معرفة علامات التحذير

Know your store warnings

KEEP YOUR PHONE WE'LL PAY IT OFF

التدريب في الطوارئ والتدريب

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REALLY HOT

ACT NOW STAY SAFE

NORTHERN TERRITORY GOVERNMENT

Get Ready North Queensland

When faced with bushfires **BACK IT UP.**

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Advice

There is no immediate danger. You may need to stay up to date in case the disaster changes.

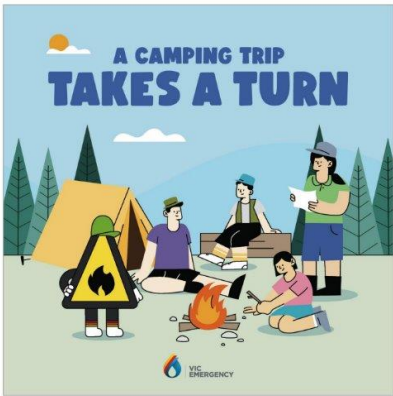
Watch and Act

Be warned before. Check in and be ready to act. Know what to do and where to go. Stay safe and don't panic.

Know the signs before disaster strikes

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GET TO KNOW OUR WARNING SIGNS



Can you fill in the blanks?

Use these words to finish the sentences:
 red watch and act three orange
 advice yellow emergency warning



There are _____ warning levels.
 A _____ sign means _____.



An _____ sign means _____ and _____.



A _____ sign means _____.

