NSW GOVERNMENT

GET READY NSW

Know the warnings

When there are bushfires, floods or storms, Emergency Services issue simple warnings to help you make faster decisions.

Know the warnings. Plan ahead.

Understand the warnings

Emergencies can escalate quickly, so staying alert is important.

Warnings are issued by the emergency services when a hazard is active or predicted. These warnings may relate to bushfires, storms, floods, cyclones, tsunamis, extreme heat, or severe weather.

The advice will come in one of three levels – **Advice, Watch and Act, and Emergency Warning.**

Knowing what the warnings mean before an emergency can help you make faster, safer decisions.

Know the warning levels

The Australian Warning System has warning levels with corresponding colours of yellow, orange and red for a range of natural hazards.

The warning level is determined by the level of threat posed to the community. The Australian Warning System applies to all hazards and all parts of Australia.

Warning levels apply to emergencies like bushfire, flood, storm, extreme heat and severe weather.

Australian Warning System



Advice (Yellow)

An incident has started. There is no immediate danger. **Stay up to date** in case the situation changes.



Watch and Act (Orange)

There is a heightened level of threat. Conditions are changing and you need to **start taking action now** to protect you and your family.



Emergency Warning (Red)

This is the highest level of warning. **You may be in danger and need to take action immediately.** Any delay now puts your life at risk.

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