

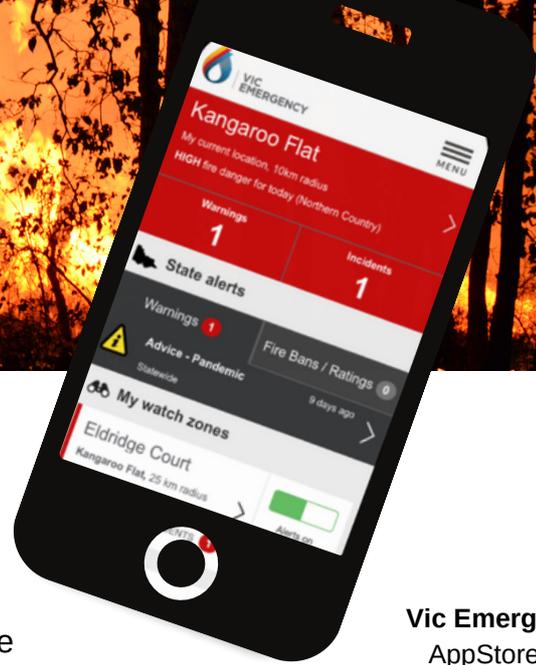
# Bushfire safety information

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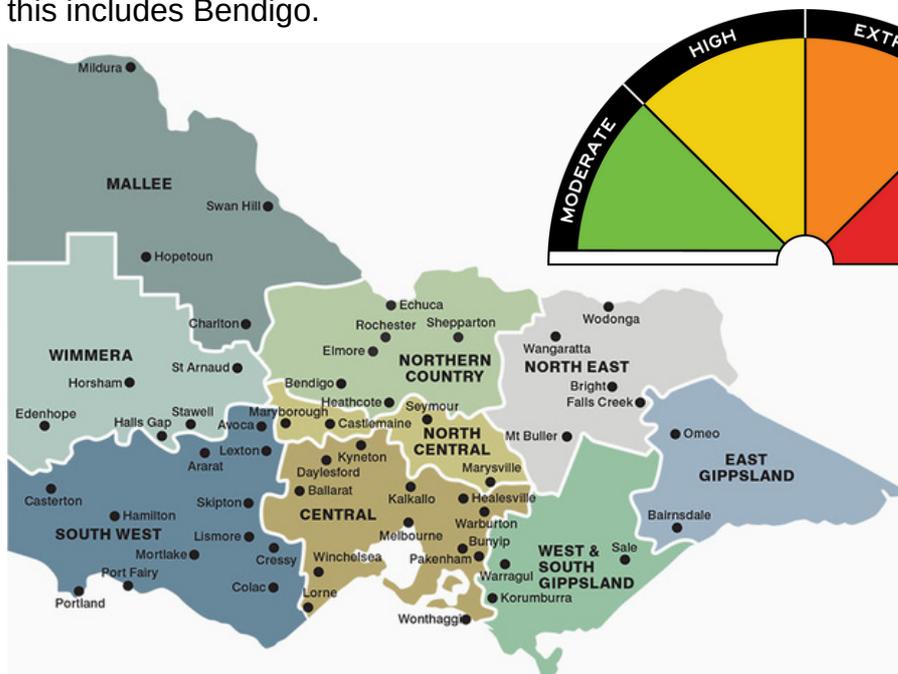
Find someone who can help you understand the **VIC EMERGENCY APP** and explain the risk to you.

This is where you are:  
**Northern Country of Victoria**

When the CFA has declared a Total Fire Ban Day in the Northern Country in Victoria, you have to understand that this includes Bendigo.



Download the **Vic Emergency App** at the AppStore or Google Play. [www.emergency.vic.gov.au](http://www.emergency.vic.gov.au)



## Your Fire Plan

If you have to leave your home please take your important identification documents, medicines, water, battery-operated radio and torch and spare batteries with you.

Have your car's fuel topped up. Have your phones charged, ensure you have credit and keep it close to you.

If you don't understand what to do find someone that can speak English to explain what you have to do.

## Your Fire Ban Day

This is when the Fire Authority has declared fire restrictions in a certain area. Please check whether the restrictions apply to the area you live. Go to the CFA website for more information - [www.cfa.vic.gov.au](http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au)

Monitor and act as directed by the CFA.

### On a Total Fire Ban Day:

All types of fires are banned including campfires and fires for cooking.

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## EXTREME and CATASTROPHIC

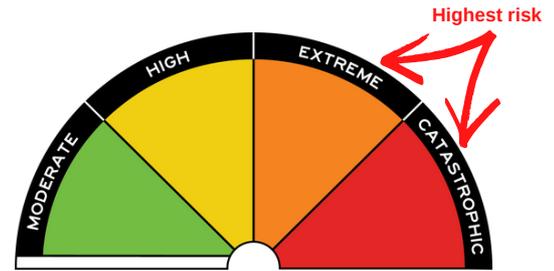
Both EXTREME and CATASTROPHIC present really high risk of fire. We need to be alert and be careful.

### What you should do on these days:

- Drink a lot of fluids.
- Have your phones charged, ensure you have credit and keep it close to you.
- Listen to the radio, watch news on TV and use the Vic Emergency App.
- Have your car's fuel topped up.
- Go to cool places such as, shopping malls and library.

### What you shouldn't do on these days:

- Do not light fire in the open-air.
- Do not burn off grass and rubbish.
- Do not drive a vehicle through dry vegetation in hot and dry conditions.



## The **warning** icons you need to know



**Advice**

When you see this warning, it means an incident is occurring or has occurred but there is **no immediate threat** to lives or homes. Be aware and monitor the change of conditions. **Listen to** the radio, watch the news on TV and look at the **Vic Emergency App**.



**Watch and act**

When you see this warning, it means there is a **possible threat** to your lives or homes. Act on your bushfire plan and remember that leaving early is always the **safest option**. Move away from the danger to a **safer place** such as a friend's house. If driving, turn on headlights.



**Emergency warning**

You are in **imminent danger** and need to **take action immediately**. If you do not take action, you will be impacted. The warning will tell you if you need to **leave immediately** or if it is too late to leave. If you need to leave immediately, go to a **safe place**. If driving, turn on headlights.

- Bushfire can happen quickly, and you may have no official warning.
- Never rely on receiving a warning. You must keep up to date with what is happening around.
- Warnings will not necessarily be issued in a particular order, an Emergency Warning may be the first one you hear.

