

Fire Policy Statement

Belgrave Heights Convention had developed a bushfire plan, in consultation with relevant authorities, to ensure we are best able to respond to a bushfire incident in our area. We will monitor the declared fire risk, based on the Fire Danger Rating Index, as reported by government authorities, and we will also receive notification from authorities when the risk reaches or excels a level of **Extreme** fire danger.

In the case of a fire danger rating warning of **Extreme** or **Code Red**, we will close the site as required by the emergency services and will contact you. All people are expected to vacate by 10am of the day in question. We will also require all the volunteer staff and staff to vacate the property. If the risk is downgraded with sufficient time, we may proceed with the camp as planned; however depending on weather conditions, Belgrave Heights Convention may exercise the right to continue the closure of the site despite downgrading of the rating.

On days of **Severe** fire danger, Belgrave Heights Convention will continue to operate. We will continue to monitor nearby fire warnings.

If fire threatens the site, we will enact our evacuation procedures. If site evacuation is required, campers and staff will be requested to leave.

Should the above be during a BHC event, we will announce the evacuation plan and alternative venue details.