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## Outdoor Education Bushfire Protocol

| Fire Danger Rating                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Moderate                                                                                                      | High                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Total Fire Ban                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Extreme                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Catastrophic                                                                                                                                                            |
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| <p>On every program, staff and students are briefed on evacuation procedures.</p> <p>Groups' sked in at 7.30am and 5.30pm.</p> <p>In fire season-<br/>Staff and students to carry one full set fire retardant clothes.</p> <p>4WD carry fire blanket and water.</p> | <p>Activities can continue as planned</p> <p>Program Coordinator monitoring all weather and fire warnings</p> | <p>As per previous plus:<br/>Program coordinator to assess and plan for day, taking into consideration:<br/><br/>Distance, time and mode of travel.<br/><br/>Student age, fitness and medical issues.<br/><br/>Consider long range forecast</p> | <p>As per previous, plus:<br/><br/>Assess each groups on individual factors.<br/><br/>No fires, flames or cooking stoves to be used outdoors.<br/><br/>Keep group within 1 hour from lodge / evacuation point.<br/><br/>Additional weather update / sked at 1pm.</p> | <p>As per previous, plus:<br/><br/>Relocate groups to safe area with easy vehicle access.<br/><br/>Buses on standby for evacuation if required.<br/><br/>Maintain regular communication with coordinator.</p> | <p>Relocate to Melbourne, if safe; otherwise relocate to nearest township / safe area.</p> <p>If in transit – return to Melbourne if safe, or to nearest safe town.</p> |

