

Bushfire Response Plan 2022/2023

Site Name – Poonindie Community Learning Centre

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It is a requirement of the Department for Education that all R1 and R2 bushfire risk rated sites and sites which have identified 'Bushfire' as a potential high risk hazard/emergency (refer to Section 'Hazard Identification & Risk Assessment'), to complete the Bushfire Response Plan.

This completed template is the document that will be used by the Security and Emergency Management Team during the 2022/2023 Bushfire Season. Please ensure that this Bushfire Response Plan is reflected within your sites Emergency Management Plan.

Bushfire Refuge

The term 'Bushfire Refuge' has been adopted by The Department for Education to reduce confusion with the terminology used by the CFS and is generally a building on-site that can provide short term shelter from a bushfire to the site population only.

The term 'Last Resort Refuge' is identified in each Council for community members as a space or building which could be used as a place of last resort for individuals to go to and remain during the passage of fire through their neighbourhood. A Last Resort Refuge is intended to provide a place of relative safety during a bushfire but does not guarantee the survival of those who assemble there and should only be used when personal Bushfire Survival Plans cannot be implemented or have failed.

Note: No Department for Education sites have been identified by the CFS as a Last Resort Refuge.

Important: It is the responsibility of the site's EMT to determine trigger points and act upon them as per the site's Bushfire Response Plan. It is also useful to include several means to enable the trigger points in case one or some of these failed to function during an emergency Examples include the following:

- A CFS Watch and Act message advising of a fire within 20km radius of the township
- Receipt of a SAFECOM SMS/phone call emergency alert advising of an imminent bushfire threat

State your site's Trigger Points to prepare for movement to a Bushfire Refuge.

- Site is **closed** on catastrophic days
- Front admin SSO/Principal monitor CFS website on severe/extreme fire danger rated days for CFS warning messages and an Emergency Alert
- a bushfire threatens the school and or community (20km radius)
- Move to Bushfire Refuge onsite on SEM instruction/CFS advice

State the alarm tone/method used to prepare for movement to the Bushfire Refuge?

Note: The alarm tone MUST be clearly distinguishable from the other emergency alarm tones as noted in the earlier section 'Emergency Assembly Areas and Alarm Tone Procedures'.

Alarm Tone/Method Used	Duration/Pattern of Alarm Tone
AMPAC alarm system siren	Long whirring/ Voiced message "Code Red Alert"
If "Other" alarm tone or duration, please provide further details	
Loud PA system for additional information ie move to the bushfire refuge onsite (staffroom).	

State the location of the Bushfire Refuge.

- If it is an on-site Bushfire Refuge, please state the SAMIS Building Number and any specific facility used for the refuge (e.g. Building 1 - Library).
- If it is an off-site Bushfire Refuge, please provide a detailed description and an address of the location (e.g. ABC Caravan Park located at 123 Beach Road SA 5XXX).

Building 1: Staffroom

List other educational sites or services which utilise your Bushfire Refuge and their key contact details

Other Site/Service	Contact Role/Name/Mobile	Site/Service Land Line
Poonindie Community Learning Centre	Name: Shannon Carter Role: Director Mobile 0427 050275	86 846 074

State the location of your off-site evacuation point should your site need to evacuate the Bushfire Refuge

N/A – we no longer have a DFE bus on School Grounds – contract bus is housed at North Shields therefore is not available.

State the planned method of transport to relocate all persons away from the Bushfire Refuge and to the off-site evacuation point

N/A

Drinking Water Contingency Plan

Drinking water must be readily available at the Bushfire Refuge location and it must not be reliant on the mains (water or power) for its provision. Otherwise, sufficient drinking water supply must be stocked at the location during Total Fire Ban days. Ideally, there should be about 4 litres of water allocated to each person. However, we appreciate the limitations to the amount of water that you can store on site; hence, **we would recommend at least 1 litre of water be allocated for each person** for the purpose of your site's Bushfire Response Plan.

Rainwater tanks used for drinking purposes must incorporate disinfection via an ultraviolet light irradiation system. For further information regarding drinking water, see the Department intranet at:

<https://myintranet.learnlink.sa.edu.au/operations-and-management/facilities-and-security/energy,-water-and-waste-management/water>

State your site's drinking water supply plan and availability during a bushfire emergency situation

*Students (parents notified via newsletter of this expectation) are expected to bring their own drink containers in Term 1/ 4 Fire Danger Season, and these can be re-filled from our taps.

* Large containers of water are available as part of our Bushfire Ready Kit.

Water for Ablutions/Sanitary Purposes

During an emergency, water and/or power supply from mains may be affected and a site may not have abluion water available; therefore, alternatives should be considered. Sites may consider portable options (i.e. camping toilets or 'kitty litter') for use within the Bushfire Refuge during a bushfire emergency situation.

State your site's abluion options during a bushfire emergency situation

* We have camping toilets that we would use if we were in the internal Bushfire Refuge for any length of time.