

# LIVESTOCK AND LARGE ANIMALS

Information for farmers and rural landholders



To best protect livestock, it is important to be prepared and self-reliant. Including animals and livestock in your plans will reduce stress at the time, allow clearer thinking and improve chances of keeping you and your livestock safe.

## Questions to consider when planning for emergency

- Are you able to sufficiently care for your stock for 3-7 days, or longer in a prolonged fire emergency?
- Are your feed/fodder supplies sufficient, safe and accessible for your livestock?
- Do you have a safe place on your property for livestock?
- Does the safe place have multiple access routes?
- Are animal houses / shelters / sheds protected?
- Do you have basic medical supplies and rescue equipment?

## Are your livestock identifiable?

- Can you relocate your animals quickly? What safe transport options and routes do you have (including backup options)? If not, what are the alternatives to moving them?
- Do you have alternate water and power sources? Are your water supplies protected from fire?
- Can your biosecurity be maintained?
- Can a neighbour or friend enact your plan if you are not home?



The safety of your animals is your responsibility. Being prepared is essential to your animal's survival.



In a bush fire emergency, NSW Department of Primary Industries and Local Land Services support rural landholders and farmers by:

- ✓ Assisting primary producers, animal holding establishments and the community to be prepared for bush fires
- ✓ Coordinating rescue, evacuation and emergency care for animals
- ✓ Coordinating assessment, humane destruction and disposal of affected animals
- ✓ Supporting recovery arrangements including providing impact damage assessments and contributing to recovery centres and committees

## Key Contacts



Department of  
Primary Industries

[www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/emergency](http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/emergency)



Local Land  
Services

P: 1300 795 299

[www.lls.nsw.gov.au/emergency](http://www.lls.nsw.gov.au/emergency)

For more information regarding preparing animals and livestock for bush fires, visit the NSW DPI website.

## For more information on what you can do to prepare for bush fire this season:



NSW Rural Fire Service Website  
[www.rfs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au)  
[www.myfireplan.com.au](http://www.myfireplan.com.au)



Bush Fire Information Line  
1800 NSW RFS (1800 679 737)



Your nearest NSW RFS  
Fire Control Centre:



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