## THE GO TO **BUSHFIRE CHECKLIST**

## **PREPARING YOUR HOME**

	Regularly clean leaves from gutters and fit quality metal leaf guards	Keep your lawn short and the backyard tidy, free from any build-up of flammable material.
	Screen vents on roof voids with fine metal wire mesh.	Ensure the sum insured for the rebuild of your home and replacement of your contents is adequate – all year round.
	Keep woodpiles and other flammable materials well away from the house and covered.	Consider purchasing a portable pump to use from your swimming pool or water tank.
IN (	CASE OF EVACUATION	
	Turn off gas and power.	Close all doors and windows and block gaps

- Put together a small evacuation package keepsakes and things you would hate to lose, in case you need to evacuate quickly.
- with wet towels or blankets.
- Move flammable curtains and furniture away  $\square$ from windows.

## SURVIVAL KIT SHOULD INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS

	A portable battery radio, torch and spare	First aid kit and manual.
_	batteries.	Masking tape for windows and waterproof bags.
	Water containers, dried or canned food and a can opener.	Put together a small evacuation package keepsakes and things you would hate to lose,
	Matches, fuel lamp, portable stove, cooking gear, eating utensils.	in case you need to evacuate quickly.

## **DURING THE FIRE**

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Ensure that someone has notified the fire brigade by ringing 000.		protection.	
Ensure all family members and pets consume enough water to prevent dehydration.		Close all windows and doors. Have eye and breathing	
Wear protective clothing such as enclosed shoes, wool or cotton full-length clothing for protection, a hat and gloves.		Do not under any circumstances leave the house while the flame front moves through.	