

# Top 10 Climate Ready Actions

*We're locked in for dangerous levels of climate change.  
Let's get ready with these tips, tricks, and ideas!*

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1. **Get planning and packing:** Have an emergency response plan such as the Australian Red Cross RediPlan with an emergency response kit, e.g. have a grab bag with all important documents and clothes. Discuss and practice your bushfire plan including exit routes and share with your neighbours. Don't rely on the fire services to provide assistance.
2. **Get caring:** Take care of those more at-risk, including the young, elderly, those most vulnerable, pets, and wildlife.
3. **Get risk wise:** Avoid travelling to or staying in risky locations and venues, and always have a plan b for outdoor activities and events have indoor alternatives.
4. **Get heatwave ready:** install appropriate cooling devices, and prepare your home and garden with shade.
5. **Get drought ready:** use water from shower, sink, or laundry in the garden, and grow plants suited to your area and the changing climate.
6. **Get bushfire ready:** clear debris, seal gaps under floors and around doors and windows, plant less-flammable plants, travel equipped with your grab bag, first aid kit, and other useful items. Install external shutters and sprinkler systems in high risk zones.
7. **Get storm ready:** clear gutters and downpipes, secure outside items, and seal gaps and weak spots in advance.
8. **Get flood ready:** know where to get sandbags, create a list of family and emergency phone numbers.
9. **Get power outage ready:** get a powerbank, have a backup cooking source. Keep a battery operated radio with spare batteries on hand.
10. **Get connected:** Know your neighbours and local community; Have a phone/communication tree/plan with family, friends, neighbours, and networks. Be familiar with fire danger ratings and extreme weather warnings from your local fire service & SES. Find out more about bushfire safety on the CFS website. Listen to ABC emergency radio am 891 for updates.

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