Risk Control Measures (prior to and during fire season):

- Ensure you drink plenty of water so you do not dehydrate.
- Block doorways where possible (a slick full of sand will help) and fill gaps with water.
- Remove flammable items such as outdoor furniture.
- Gas cylinders should have the valve facing away from the building.
- Patrol the outside of the building, putting out any embers and spot fires that may start.
- Just before the fire arrives, shut down gardens close to the building.
- Have any multipitching equipment to a place where it will not get burnt.

Inside your building:

- Continue to drink water so you do not dehydrate.
- Close doors, windows, vents and toilets to prevent flames, smoke and embers from entering.
- Put tape across the inside of the windows so they stay in place if they break.
- Shut off gas at the meter or bottle.
- Move any furniture away from the windows to prevent any ember that enters the building from spreading.
- Fill sinks and buckets with water for putting out any fires that may start first.
- Place wet towels around window and door edges to stop smoke and ember entering.

During the fire:

- When the fire arrives, go inside to protect yourself (and others) from the radiation.
- Ensure you have torches ready as it is likely to become completely dark and you will not be able to see.
- Patrol the inside of the building for sparks and embers.
- Remember… if your life is at risk, call Triple Zero (000) immediately.

After the fire:

- Once the fire has passed, go outside and put out any part of the building which is alight.
- An ember or spark from a fire can impact a building many hours after the main fire front has passed and small spot fires can sparkles get out of control.

What to do if caught in a bushfire ON FOOT:

- Try to move on to bare or burnt ground at least 100 m from where fire is likely to be. If this is not feasible that the nearest bare or burnt ground possible.
- Do not run up hill or away from the fire unless you know a safe refuge can be reached before the fire arrives. Try and position yourself downwind of the on-coming fire.
- Move across the slope up of the path of the fire and work your way downwind behind the back of the fire or onto burnt ground.
- Do not attempt to run through flames unless you can see clearly behind them. This generally means that the flames are less than 1 m high. At least one to 2 metres deep at the back or on the flanks of the fire.
- Look at the fire often result in the flames in these parts being too fast to stop or run through to the burnt ground beyond.

What to do if caught in a bushfire OR FOOT:

- If your life is at risk, call Triple Zero (000) immediately.
- Move Immediately:
  - If you can escape before the fire arrives (you are in a cool, damp area with a low flammability risk), move immediately. You may avoid the need to fight the fire and reduce the damage.
  - If you can escape while the fire is still some distance from you, move to a site where you can see the fire and assess the situation.
  - If you cannot escape, immediately seek a safe, flat place at least 150 m from the fire. If you cannot escape, seek the nearest safe area.

- Do not re-enter a safe area until it is safe to do so. This includes returning to your burnt property to collect personal belongings or pet animals.

- Do not remain on your property if it is too dangerous to do so. As the fire moves, it may become too hot to stay.

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