

Students please familiarise yourselves with the following important safety information. While we hope risks are minimal, it is vital that you are alert to the potential of bushfire, flood and beach/river/water dangers in the rural environment. It is recommended that you visit the [Vic Emergency](http://www.emergency.vic.gov.au) website to familiarise yourselves with, and be guided by its information, including making emergency plans if necessary. There is also an app:

[Vic Emergency App](#)

Please note this App replaces the Fire Ready App and includes Emergency information and warnings from agencies including:

- Country Fire Authority
- Department of Economic Development and Transport and Resources
- Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning
- Department of Health and Human Services
- Life Saving Victoria*
- Metropolitan Fire Brigade
- Victorian State Emergency Service

Website: www.emergency.vic.gov.au

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/vicemergency>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/vicemergency/>

ISO Apple Store App: <https://itunes.apple.com/au/app/vicemergency/id356559665?mt=8>

Android Store App (not currently available at 18 January 2017):

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.naturallybeing.fireready>

FAQ: Do I need to access emergency information from other sources?

Yes. It is important to stay alert to the conditions around you, and use more than one source for information and warnings. You can get information by:

- Tuning in to [ABC local radio](#) (100.7 FM)
- [emergency broadcasters](#) including commercial and community radio or SKY TV
- By downloading the [Vic Emergency](#) app
- Phoning the VicEmergency Hotline on [1800 226 226](tel:1800226226) or following VicEmergency on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

Because technology might fail, and as part of your emergency plan, it is important to know where you can get emergency information and warnings. This includes the alternate sources above if you don't have access to internet or mobile phone coverage.

*There is also a Surf Lifesaving App which might be useful: <https://beachsafe.org.au/apps/> and a website: <https://beachsafe.org.au/>

Note that rivers and waterways can also be dangerous, particularly after flooding:

<https://www.watersafety.vic.gov.au/>

Students also need to be aware that occasionally snakes are sighted on the Federation University Campus and environs.