

Queensland Disaster Checklist

how to be legally prepared

BE AWARE ...

of the unique strengths and vulnerabilities of your community, check in on your Elders and neighbours, and consider those who may need extra help in the event of a disaster.

Queensland is the most disaster-prone state in Australia. While you may not know exactly how you might be impacted by a disaster, there are steps you can take now and things you can consider to help you to be legally prepared.

THINGS TO DO TODAY

Your insurance

Check your insurance is up to date and covers for fires, floods and storm damage. If relevant to you, consider your:

- home and contents insurance
- body corporate requirements
- landlord insurance
- insurance for your business.

Inventory list of items

Create an inventory list of items in your home and business in the event you need to make an insurance claim.

Important documentation

Gather important information and documents and store them in a safe place (including your will). Justice Connect published a comprehensive [guide to be digitally prepared](#).

Employment obligations

Talk to your employer about your employment obligations and what to do if you cannot physically get to your place of work.

Emergency contacts

Keep a list of emergency contacts.

State Emergency Services (SES)

P 13 25 00

Community Recovery Hotline

P 1800 173 349

Lifeline

P 13 11 14

Translating and Interpreting Service 24/7

P 13 14 50

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

Think about what might be impacted by an environmental disaster and what plans or preparations you can make now to minimise that impact.

Care obligations

- parenting (e.g. shared custody arrangements)
- for older people
- for persons with a disability



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Legal obligations

- banking, credit or loans—how will you meet them if you are impacted by a disaster
- domestic and family violence orders—noting DFV increases with disasters, how will you stay safe? Do you have a safety plan? If you are a user of violence, how will you obtain appropriate supports and avoid breaches of your domestic violence order
- bail and court obligations—how will you meet these if you are evacuated or cut off from surrounding areas

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Reach out to us on (07) 3214 6333 if you need further legal advice.

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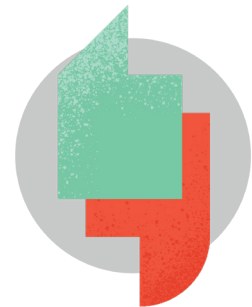
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