

# Fire Response Strategy

## ACT Horse Paddocks



### Overview

This fire response strategy has been developed by Territory Agistment (TA) to provide guidance to agistees within the ACT Horse Paddocks (HP) in the event of a fire.

The ACT HP's are located across the ACT and each site has a unique requirement in terms of fire risk. Our complexes carry all sorts of horses who may or may not have been floated in recent years and are owned by people of different ages and varying levels of physical capacity.

The Fire Response Strategy is designed to be read in conjunction with site specific Fire Response Plans which apply to each individual horse paddock complex.

The Fire Response Plans identify 'suggested safe (refuge) areas' and routes for evacuation. The plan includes a hierarchy of communication modes to assist everyone involved in the incident to maintain some form of communication.

However it is vitally important that you use the HP Fire Response Strategy to develop your **own Emergency Incident plan** for you and your horse. You need to consider what you will do in the event of a fire and be prepared to implement and undertake your plan well before you or horse is at risk of injury.

Communicating your emergency incident plan to family, friends and fellow agistees means that any effort to assist you or your horse can be directed to the right place in a timely manner. In an emergency it is expected that communication may be compromised and the emergency response will not be appropriately deployed if established plans are not followed. Understanding and familiarising yourself with this strategy (including the specific HP Plans) and developing your own personal Emergency Incident plan is essential.

### Develop your own personal/family fire plan

Start with the ACT Emergency Services Bush Fire Survival Plan to begin planning what you and your household (including your horse) will do in the event of a fire. The Bush Fire Survival Plan provides a template of what to consider in the event of a fire. Think about it, write it down, share it with family, friends, neighbours, property owners and fellow agistees and be prepared to implement it. It is important that you and everyone who cares about you knows what you will do with your horse in the event of a fire to ensure no-one is searching for you or your horse unnecessarily.

## Practice Your Plan

It is not enough to write your plan out. You need to practice your plan to ensure everything is as it seems. It is easy to be complacent about knowing your HP. Walk the paddocks and the local roads so you get a clearer idea of where everything is. Investigate alternate access points. Where are the gates in each paddock? Are there gates in addition to the ones you always use? What are the actual distances along the roads you probably drive each day? What possible refuge areas exist?

Practice your plan – imagine rushing out of your current paddock. What route would you take? How far is it to walk to the yards? Will my horse load onto a float in fire conditions? Do I know where I am even in darkness? Heavy smoke will affect your ability to know where you are. Are you confident and/or physically able to operate under these conditions without risking your own life?

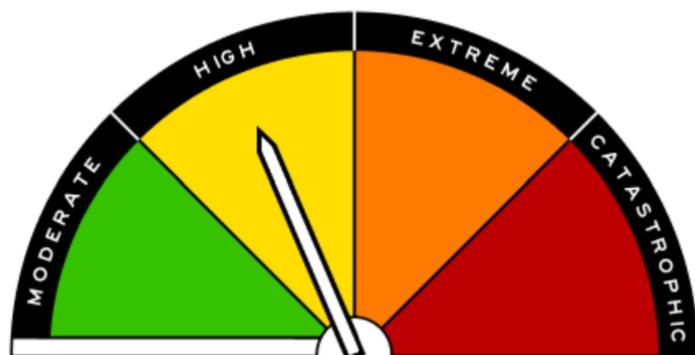
Practice your plan and know the answer to these questions.

## Be informed

**Be weather alert during bushfire season. Regularly check for New Alerts on the ACT Emergency Service Agency's website: <http://esa.act.gov.au>.** Be aware of:-

- High wind forecasts
- Storm forecasts, especially electrical storms
- Total Fire Bans
- The existence and behaviour of fires in close proximity to your horse agistment
- Media broadcasts, especially ABC local radio (Triple 6) and local community radio stations for emergency information,

Understand Fire Danger Ratings. These are issued by the ACT Emergency Services Agency (ESA):



MODERATE	HIGH
<b>Plan and prepare.</b>	<b>Be ready to act.</b>
Most fires can be controlled.	Fires can be dangerous.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Stay up to date and be ready to act if there is a fire.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ There's a heightened risk. Be alert for fires in your area.</li> <li>➤ Decide what you will do if a fire starts.</li> <li>➤ If a fire starts, your life and property may be at risk. The safest option is to avoid bush fire risk areas.</li> </ul>
EXTREME	CATASTROPHIC
<b>Take action now to protect your life and property.</b>	<b>For your survival, leave bush fire risk areas.</b>
Fires will spread quickly and be extremely dangerous.	If a fire starts and takes hold, lives are likely to be lost.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ These are dangerous fire conditions.</li> <li>➤ Check your bush fire plan and that your property is fire ready.</li> <li>➤ If a fire starts, take immediate action. If you and your property are not prepared to the highest level, go to a safer location well before the fire impacts.</li> <li>➤ Reconsider travel through bush fire risk areas.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ These are the most dangerous conditions for a fire.</li> <li>➤ Your life may depend on the decisions you make, even before there is a fire.</li> <li>➤ Stay safe by going to a safer location early in the morning or the night before.</li> <li>➤ Homes cannot withstand fires in these conditions. You may not be able to leave and help may not be available.</li> </ul>

**NO RATING:** The white bar is used on days when there is no fire danger, meaning no action is required.

A real time map of current fire incidents and their status can be seen at the ESA site  
<http://esa.act.gov.au/community-information/incidents-map>

## Prepare a Fire Response kit

Store an emergency Fire Response kit in your car or horse float (and don't use it for anything but emergencies) with the following:

- Fire resistant clothing – pure wool is naturally fire retardant
- Drinking water
- Wire cutters and a sharp knife
- Torch, portable radio and fresh batteries
- Portable UHF radio and batteries
- Water bucket
- Extra lead rope and head collar
- Wool blanket and towels
- Equine first aid items
- Whatever else you feel is essential for the first 24 hours eg there may not be any feed at your evacuation destination.

## Protective Clothing

Whether you decide to evacuate or stay, the right clothes can help shield you from radiant heat, burning embers and flames. Keep the following in your car during the fire season:

- Avoid synthetics as they can melt and cause serious burns.
- Wear long pants, a long-sleeved shirt with sleeves down or a woollen jumper, and a wide brimmed hat. Fire retardant clothing is available from Workwear stores.

- Shoes or boots and gloves should be sturdy leather. Leather gloves are essential to protect your hands from the effects of radiant heat.
- Safety glasses or goggles will help keep smoke and cinders out of your eyes and wear a cotton scarf or handkerchief 'bandit-style' to shield your nose and face from the effects of smoke and ash,
- Condition your horse to your strange appearance ahead of time.

## Going

The safest place for humans and horses is AWAY from areas of high fire risk. If you are concerned about fires then consider removing yourself and your horse to a safer, prearranged location for the duration of an **Extreme** and above fire danger period. If you decide to move your horse, then identify the trigger for you to go early. Late evacuation is a deadly option.

Once the fire is close, smoke and flying embers will reduce visibility and make traveling extremely hazardous. Fallen trees or power lines and abandoned vehicles may block roads. Even quiet horses may panic if they are separated from their mates and asked to load onto a float by tense and worried handlers in adverse weather conditions with high winds, flying embers, and smoke.

Plans to evacuate your horse early should include:-

- An agreed predetermined trigger such as the declaration of an **Extreme** fire danger rating;
- Having a well prepared, well equipped, roadworthy float/truck, tow vehicle and experienced driver readily available;
- A well trained horse that will reliably load on to a float;
- An estimation of how long it will take to hitch up your float, drive to your paddock, load your horse(s) and leave. Factor this time period into your evacuation plan and do a dry run. Consider making your float readily accessible by taking it home on Total Fire Ban days;
- An alternative route away from the paddock. Even if you leave early, it is possible that your usual route may be blocked.
- A joint plan with other horse owners to share the responsibility of getting horses off the property;
- Only taking another horse if you have agreed with the owner, have room, and are confident that horse reliably loads and travels and only returning for another horse if it is safe do to so;
- Having an arrangement with someone else to get your horse out if you are away on the crucial day;
- Making sure any friends or family who assist you are familiar with your plans and procedures, especially if they are not used to horses.
- Keeping friends and family informed of your intentions and progress.

## **Reporting fires**

Immediately contact 000 and report the incident to the appropriate emergency service – know your location – use landmarks to identify your location, speak calmly to the operator and give your name. Listen to the operator and provide as much information as possible.

Contact 0411 030 281 to report the incident to Territory Agistment.

## **Monitoring Fires**

The ACT Emergency Service Authority website has an up-to-the-minute map of all local incidents so you can keep track of fires. <http://esa.act.gov.au/community-information/incidents-map/> You can also access fire updates from the Rural Fire Service through Facebook and Twitter <http://esa.act.gov.au/communityinformation/bushfires/prepare-act-survive/bushfire-warning-messages/>

Pay attention to weather forecasts and media broadcasts, especially ABC radio (Triple 6) and local community radio stations for emergency information

Understand how the ACT fire danger rating system works (<http://www.esa.act.gov.au/wpcontent/uploads/fire-danger-ratings.pdf>). Also, regularly check the ACT warning alerts on the Emergency Services Agency (ESA) website: <http://esa.act.gov.au/communityinformation/bushfires/prepare-act-survive/bushfire-warning-messages/>. These alerts will also be announced on ACT radio stations.

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## **Implementing the Complex Fire Response Plans**

Each HP has a site specific Fire Response Plan. The Plan is posted on the notice board of each complex. A copy is also available on the website. It is your responsibility to read and understand the plan for your complex. Please familiarise yourself with the designated emergency assembly area (usually the yards), the suggested safer area (if different from the assembly area) and also the evacuation route/s for your HP.

The suggested safer area may change depending on seasonal conditions. Check your notice board as we will update this area if necessary and time permits.

The first evacuation route should be taken unless it is unsafe to do so. In the event it is unsafe to use the first evacuation route, the alternate route should be taken. If you have

only one evacuation route you need to consider early action and incorporate this into your personal plan.

### **Our Fire Plans will be implemented under the following situations:**

- Declaration of an **Extreme** or **Catastrophic** fire danger rating
- Fire event

**However you may implement your own Emergency Incident plan whenever you choose.**

### **Communication**

Communicating with TA on the ground:

- Mobile 0411 030 281
- Office 02 6226 8277
- UHF Channel 20 Call sign “Horse 1” (only effective if you are in range)
- All communication should be limited to essential communications

Once TA is notified of a **extreme** or **catastrophic** fire day or a fire event, we will attempt to notify agistees at the potentially impacted complex/s.

However it is recommended that agistees develop a phone tree system in order to contact fellow agistees and listen to the official emergency station (ABC Radio Triple 6) in times of high fire danger.

### **Suggested Safer Areas**

A large number of ACT HP agistees would not be able to float out horses in the event of an emergency.

The HP Fire Response Plans identify ‘suggested safer areas’. These are areas that are identified as being away from prevailing winds (direction most fires will travel) and/or have lower fuel loadings due to grazing or slashing. The areas have been identified as sufficient to hold the herd and are areas the herds will be familiar with. Suggested safer areas may be yards, activity areas or paddocks recently grazed.

The suggested safer paddocks may change depending on seasonal conditions. This information will be updated on the site specific Fire Response Plan on the notice board. Please ensure you are aware of the current suggested safer area. Check your noticeboard regularly.

### **Action**

On every **extreme** or **catastrophic** fire day horse owners should do the following:

- Visit their horses early in the morning when winds have dropped and the temperature is lowest (if safe to do so);
- Remove all fly veils, synthetic halters and rugs and metal objects from your horse, or authorise someone to do it for you;
- Ensure Fire Response kit is handy;
- Tune in to ABC Radio Triple 6 for information and local weather conditions;
- Remain alert throughout the day and be prepared to evacuate early if that is part of your fire plan.

In the event of high fire danger:

- Move your horse to the previously identified 'safer' area;
- Do not move horses into a foreign paddock at the last minute unless it is a contained, fuel reduced area and part of the fire plan;
- Know which horses from a paddock have been evacuated;
- If you are shifting fractious horses when a fire is very close move the paddock leaders first and the others will be keen to follow; a temporary blindfold over the eyes may help;
- Do not cut fences onto public roads;
- Be ready to see to your horse and render first aid after the fire front has passed
- Consider evacuation if it is part of your plan

In the event of a fire at the complex or an approach fire DO NOT ATTEND THE PADDOCKS. Roads will be closed and fire behaviour is unpredictable. Horses are relatively safe in their herds in the event of a fire.

- Be ready to see to your horse and render first aid after the fire front has passed
- Have first aid kit on hand

If evacuation seems likely, GO EARLY rather than wait until the danger is upon you. Evacuation must be undertaken prior to any risk of the fire reaching the paddock. Late evacuation is a deadly option.

### **Floating your horse out should not be a last minute decision.**

Once the fire is close, visibility will be very poor and travel will be hazardous. Fallen trees, powerlines, abandoned cars and even firefighting vehicles can easily block roads. Even quiet horses may refuse to load or may panic in a float filled with smoke. If immediate evacuation becomes necessary, but you cannot move your horse in time, then turn your horse out into the paddocks after hosing him down (especially mane and tail). If your horse has no identifying marks you might consider weaving a non-flammable identification tag into the mane to help identify your horse after the fire.

In the event of a major fire there may be no large scale safe horse evacuation site available so horse owners need to identify their own alternative safe horse relocation sites before the fire season.

If you choose to evacuate your horse you need to know where to take your horse and the routes available and make arrangements to take your horse their well before an incident occurs. Options may include showgrounds, sale yards, parks, racetracks, pony club grounds or placement with family and friends.

## If you are caught in the fire

If you and your horse cannot escape the fire then what should you do?

It is possible that despite your best efforts you are taken by surprise by a fire front. The main fire front usually passes relatively quickly (10 - 20 minutes in bush land and a few minutes for grass fires). There is little you can do during this time. Put on protective gear from your fire kit immediately. Try to remain calm and alert, think clearly and act decisively; co-operate with firefighters and other emergency services. Go to shelter. Do not put your life in additional danger by trying to save your horse; if it has a chance to move in familiar open paddock space, your horse will cope well on its own.

- Stay Calm. It is important that throughout the emergency you should remain calm, but act swiftly when action is required. Having a plan that is worked out in advance can help you achieve this.
- When a fire is uncontained and out of control, there is only one safe place, and that is behind the fire line, in the place that is not going to catch fire - because it has already burned. If you're in an area covered with short grass, and the fire is approaching, it may be possible for you to go across the fire line and into that smoky, hot, blackened area behind it.

## After The Fire

When the fire front has passed, what should you do?

- *Injuries:* Even if they all seem perfectly healthy, you'll need to monitor horses that may have been exposed to smoke, and you should consult with your veterinarian. Horse lungs are delicate, and you will not be able to LOOK at a horse and tell whether it has burned lungs or is developing smoke-inhalation pneumonia.
- *Hygiene:* Keep your facilities clean and as safe as possible at all times. If your horse has suffered an injury, keeping the facility clean will reduce the chance of infection.
- There is very good advice on first aid for horses that have been through fire at the Victorian Department of Primary Industry website at:  
<http://www.dpi.vic.gov.au/agriculture/farming-management/fire-flood-otheremergencies/bushfire-recovery/assessing-and-managing-livestock/horses-andbushfires>

## Fire Fuel Management

TA undertakes fire fuel management throughout all of the HP complexes in accordance with the ACT Bushfire Operations Plan developed by the ACT Parks and Conservation Fire Management Unit. Fire fuel management generally consists of slashing carparks, yards, trails and slashing fire breaks along boundaries where required. Slashing generally commences once grass curing hits 70%.

Grazing is also a very important part of the Bushfire Operations Plan and certain paddocks are required to be strategically grazed to reduce fire fuel during the summer months. It is normal for the grazing rotations to be a bit longer during the summer months in order to achieve the required levels in these paddocks.

Fire fuel management will not prevent fires from occurring – our aim is to minimise the impacts of a fire event.

## Acknowledgements

ACTEA Equestrian Fire Plan  
ACT ESA Literature

## Suggested Safer Paddocks

Complex	Designated Emergency Assembly Area	Suggested Safer Paddocks
Arawang	Yards/Carpark at P 4/5	Kambah Pony Club/P 4/5 *Consider Early Evacuation
Cook	Yards/Carpark	Paddock 1/Yards
Duntroon	Yards/Carpark	Paddock 1
Gilmore/Mac Park	Yards/Carpark	Gilmore – Paddock 1 Mac Park – Paddock 2/Yards/Arena
Hackett	Yards/Carpark	Yards
Hall	Yards/carpark	Yards
Hume	Yards/Carpark	Current paddock or previous paddock, depending on which has shortest grass
Illoura	Front gate area	Wetland Paddock/Founder Yards

Complex	Designated Emergency Assembly Area	Suggested Safer Paddocks
Kaleen	Yards/carpark where grazing	Nth Pdk 1,2 – Pdk 2/6 if time move to exercise area  Nth pdk 3-6 – Arena  Sth – paddock 1/Yards
Nth Curtin	Yards/Carpark	Paddock 5/Yards
Mt Neighbour	Yards/Carpark	Yards/Founder *Consider Early Evacuation
Mt Taylor	Yards/Carpark	Yards *Consider Early Evacuation
Oaks Estate	If grazing pdk 1,2 – Pdk 1 gate  If Grazing pdk 3-7 – Yards	Pdk 1  Yards
Parkwood	Yards/carpark	Current paddock or previous paddock which has shortest grass *Consider Early Evacuation
Rose Cottage	Steel Yards	Paddock 4
Yarralumla	Yards	Current paddock or previous paddock, depending on which has shortest grass

\*These locations are on the exposed edge of the ACT.



## Arawang Fire Response Plan

The preservation of human life is the most important consideration in the event of a fire in a horse complex or a large fire approaching a horse complex.

Plan your personal fire response and share your plan with family, friends and fellow agistees.

### Triggers for Fire Response plan

- ▲ Declaration of an **Extreme or Catastrophic** fire danger rating
- ▲ Fire event

### Communication Channels

- ▲ On notification of an incident, TA will attempt to contact Arawang agistees through text or email
- ▲ Agistees to implement phone tree. Contact {insert Paddock Rep contact} to be part of the Arawang phone tree
- ▲ UHF Channel 20 and TRN Incident Channel (Call sign "Horse 1")
- ▲ Mobile 0411 030 281
- ▲ Office 02 6226 8277
- ▲ All communication should be limited to essential communications

### Suggested Safer Area

Your suggested safer area is the P4/5 or the Kambah Pony Club unless an alternative location is identified below.

# Paddock 4/5

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### Evacuation Routes

- ▲ Hake St onto Allchin Cct
- ▲ There is only one road in and out of the Arawang complex so agistees need to be aware of the need to evacuate early

### Action

- ▲ remove all fly veils, synthetic halters and rugs and metal objects from your horse
- ▲ consider trimming your horses' tail and any excess feathering from coronets and fetlocks
- ▲ move horses into the suggested safer paddock
- ▲ notify TA if you choose to evacuate your horse
- ▲ be ready to see to your horse after the fire front has passed

### Important Information

- ▲ The yards/car park at P4/5 (steel yards) are the designated emergency assembly area
- ▲ All vehicles are to be parked in the car park and should not restrict access along roads or at gateways
- ▲ If a fire is already burning within the complex, agistees should stay away until the fire has passed or until it is safe to enter the complex



## Cook Fire Response Plan

The preservation of human life is the most important consideration in the event of a fire in a horse complex or a large fire approaching a horse complex.

Plan your personal fire response and share your plan with family, friends and fellow agistees.

### Triggers for Fire Response plan

- ▲ Declaration of an **Extreme or Catastrophic** fire danger rating
- ▲ Fire event

### Communication Channels

- ▲ On notification of an incident, TA will attempt to contact Cook agistees through text or email
- ▲ Agistees to implement phone tree. Contact {insert Paddock Rep contact} to be part of the Cook phone tree
- ▲ UHF Channel 20 and TRN Incident Channel (Call sign "Horse 1")
- ▲ Mobile 0411 030 281
- ▲ Office 02 6226 8277
- ▲ All communication should be limited to essential communications

### Suggested Safer Area

Your suggested safer area is Paddock 1 unless an alternative location is identified below.

# Paddock

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### Evacuation Routes

- ▲ Mackellar Cres onto Lyttleton Cres
- ▲ Alternate route Bindubi St via Paddock 2

### Action

- ▲ remove all fly veils, synthetic halters and rugs and metal objects from your horse
- ▲ consider trimming your horses' tail and any excess feathering from coronets and fetlocks
- ▲ move horses into the suggested safer paddock
- ▲ notify TA if you choose to evacuate your horse
- ▲ be ready to see to your horse after the fire front has passed

### Important Information

- ▲ The yards/car park are the designated emergency assembly area
- ▲ All vehicles are to be parked in the car park and should not restrict access along roads or at gateways
- ▲ If a fire is already burning within the complex, agistees should stay away until the fire has passed or until it is safe to enter the complex

**EVACUATE YOURSELF IMMEDIATELY IF THE FIRE IS APPROACHING**



## Duntroon Fire Response Plan

The preservation of human life is the most important consideration in the event of a fire in a horse complex or a large fire approaching a horse complex.

Plan your personal fire response and share your plan with family, friends and fellow agistees.

### Triggers for Fire Response plan

- ▲ Declaration of an **Extreme or Catastrophic** fire danger rating ▲ Fire event

### Communication Channels

- ▲ On notification of an incident, TA will attempt to contact Duntroon agistees through text or email
- ▲ Agistees to implement phone tree. Contact {insert Paddock Rep contact} to be part of the Duntroon phone tree
- ▲ UHF Channel 20 and TRN Incident Channel (Call sign "Horse 1")
- ▲ Mobile 0411 030 281
- ▲ Office 02 6226 8277
- ▲ All communication should be limited to essential communications

### Suggested Safer Area

Your suggested safer area is Paddock unless an alternative location is identified below.

# Paddock

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### Evacuation Routes

- ▲ Addison Rd via Fairburn Avenue
- ▲ Fairburn Avenue may be closed or congested in an emergency

### Action

- ▲ remove all fly veils, synthetic halters and rugs and metal objects from your horse
- ▲ consider trimming your horses' tail and any excess feathering from coronets and fetlocks
- ▲ move horses into the suggested safer paddock
- ▲ notify TA if you choose to evacuate your horse
- ▲ be ready to see to your horse after the fire front has passed

### Important Information

- ▲ The yards/car park are the designated emergency assembly area
- ▲ All vehicles are to be parked in the car park and should not restrict access along roads or at gateways
- ▲ If a fire is already burning within the complex, agistees should stay away until the fire has passed or until it is safe to enter the complex

**EVACUATE YOURSELF IMMEDIATELY IF THE FIRE IS APPROACHING**



## Hackett Fire Response Plan

Plan your personal fire response and share your plan with family, friends and fellow agistees.

### Triggers for Fire Response plan

- ▲ Declaration of an **Extreme** or **Catastrophic** fire danger rating
- ▲ Fire event

### Communication Channels

- ▲ On notification of an incident, TA will attempt to contact Hackett agistees through text or email
- ▲ Agistees to implement phone tree. Contact {insert Paddock Rep contact} to be part of the Hackett phone tree
- ▲ UHF Channel 20 and TRN Incident Channel (Call sign "Horse 1")
- ▲ Mobile 0411 030 281
- ▲ Office 02 6226 8277
- ▲ All communication should be limited to essential communications

### Suggested Safer Area

Your suggested safer area is the Yards unless an alternative location is identified below.

# Yards

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### Evacuation Routes

- ▲ Antill St Hackett on to Federal Highway

### Action

- ▲ remove all fly veils, synthetic halters and rugs and metal objects from your horse
- ▲ consider trimming your horses' tail and any excess feathering from coronets and fetlocks
- ▲ move horses into the suggested safer paddock
- ▲ notify TA if you choose to evacuate your horse
- ▲ be ready to see to your horse after the fire front has passed

### Important Information

- ▲ The yards/car park are the designated emergency assembly area
- ▲ All vehicles are to be parked in the car park and should not restrict access along roads or at gateways If a fire is already burning within the complex, agistees should stay away until the fire has passed or until it is safe to enter the complex

**EVACUATE YOURSELF IMMEDIATELY IF THE FIRE IS APPROACHING**



## Hall Fire Response Plan

Plan your personal fire response and share your plan with family, friends and fellow agistees.

### Triggers for Fire Response plan

- ▲ Declaration of an **Extreme or Catastrophic** fire danger rating
- ▲ Fire event

### Communication Channels

- ▲ On notification of an incident, TA will attempt to contact Hall agistees through text or email
- ▲ Agistees to implement phone tree. Contact {insert Paddock Rep contact} to be part of the Hall phone tree
- ▲ UHF Channel 20 and TRN Incident Channel (Call sign "Horse 1")
- ▲ Mobile 0411 030 281
- ▲ Office 02 6226 8277
- ▲ All communication should be limited to essential communications

### Suggested Safer Area

Your suggested safer area is the Yards unless an alternative location is identified below.

# Yards/Paddock

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### Evacuation Routes

- ▲ Gibbs St onto Victoria St
- ▲ Two directions available

### Action

- ▲ remove all fly veils, synthetic halters and rugs and metal objects from your horse
- ▲ consider trimming your horses' tail and any excess feathering from coronets and fetlocks
- ▲ move horses into the suggested safer paddock
- ▲ notify TA if you choose to evacuate your horse
- ▲ be ready to see to your horse after the fire front has passed or until it is safe to enter the complex

### Important Information

- ▲ The yards/car park are the designated emergency assembly area
- ▲ All vehicles are to be parked in the car park and should not restrict access along roads or at gateways
- ▲ If a fire is already burning within the complex, agistees should stay away until the fire has passed

**EVACUATE YOURSELF IMMEDIATELY IF THE FIRE IS APPROACHING**



## Hume Fire Response Plan

Plan your personal fire response and share your plan with family, friends and fellow agistees.

### Triggers for Fire Response plan

- ▲ Declaration of an **Extreme or Catastrophic** fire danger rating
- ▲ Fire event

### Communication Channels

- ▲ On notification of an incident, TA will attempt to contact Hume agistees through text or email
- ▲ Agistees to implement phone tree. Contact {insert Paddock Rep contact} to be part of the Hume phone tree
- ▲ UHF Channel 20 and TRN Incident Channel (Call sign "Horse 1")
- ▲ Mobile 0411 030 281
- ▲ Office 02 6226 8277
- ▲ All communication should be limited to essential communications

### Suggested Safer Area

Your suggested safer area is the current or previous paddock depending on which has lowest ground cover unless an alternative location is identified below.

# Paddock

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### Evacuation Routes

- ▲ Tralee St Hume onto the Monaro Highway

### Action

- ▲ remove all fly veils, synthetic halters and rugs and metal objects from your horse
- ▲ consider trimming your horses' tail and any excess feathering from coronets and fetlocks
- ▲ move horses into the suggested safer paddock
- ▲ notify TA if you choose to evacuate your horse
- ▲ be ready to see to your horse after the fire front has passed

### Important Information

- ▲ The yards/car park are the designated emergency assembly area
- All vehicles are to be parked in the car park and should not restrict access along roads or at gateways
- ▲ If a fire is already burning within the complex, agistees should stay away until the fire has passed or until it is safe to enter the complex

**EVACUATE YOURSELF IMMEDIATELY IF THE FIRE IS APPROACHING**



## Illoura Fire Response Plan

Plan your personal fire response and share your plan with family, friends and fellow agistees.

### Triggers for Fire Response plan

- ▲ Declaration of an **Extreme or Catastrophic** fire danger rating
- ▲ Fire event

### Communication Channels

- ▲ On notification of an incident, TA will attempt to contact Illoura agistees through text or email
- ▲ Agistees to implement phone tree. Contact Jodie Daniel 0409 810 977 or Wendy Bushell 0407 253 646 to be part of the Illoura phone tree
- ▲ UHF Channel 20 and TRN Incident Channel (Call sign "Horse 1" for Territory Agistment)
- ▲ Mobile 0411 030 281
- ▲ Office 02 6226 8277
- ▲ All communication should be limited to essential communications

### Suggested Safer Area

Your suggested safer area is the Wetland Paddock or Founder Yards unless an alternative location is identified below.

# Wetland paddock

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### Evacuation Routes

- ▲ Via Devonport St
- ▲ Alternate route via Heyson St

### Action

- ▲ remove all fly veils, synthetic halters and rugs and metal objects from your horse
- ▲ consider trimming your horses' tail and any excess feathering from coronets and fetlocks
- ▲ move horses into the suggested safer paddock
- ▲ notify TA if you choose to evacuate your horse
- ▲ be ready to see to your horse after the fire front has passed

### Important Information

- ▲ The front gate at Illoura is the designated emergency assembly area
- ▲ All vehicles are to be parked in the car park and should not restrict access along roads or at gateways
- ▲ If a fire is already burning within the complex, agistees should stay away until the fire has passed

**EVACUATE YOURSELF IMMEDIATELY IF THE FIRE IS APPROACHING**



## Kaleen Fire Response Plan

Plan your personal fire response and share your plan with family, friends and fellow agistees.

### Triggers for Fire Response plan

- ▲ Declaration of an **Extreme or Catastrophic** fire danger rating
- ▲ Fire event

### Communication Channels

- ▲ On notification of an incident, TA will attempt to contact Kaleen agistees through text or email
- ▲ Agistees to implement phone tree. Contact {insert Paddock Rep contact} to be part of the Kaleen phone tree
- ▲ UHF Channel 20 and TRN Incident Channel (Call sign "Horse 1")
- ▲ Mobile 0411 030 281
- ▲ Office 02 6226 8277
- ▲ All communication should be limited to essential communications

### Suggested Safer Area

Your suggested safer area is Nth Pl/2/6 or the exercise area or Sth Pl/Yards unless an alternative location is identified below.

# Paddock

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### Evacuation Routes

- ▲ Ellenborough St to Barton Highway or Maribyrnong
- ▲ Paddock 2 Yards to Barton Highway

### Action

- ▲ remove all fly veils, synthetic halters and rugs and metal objects from your horse
- ▲ consider trimming your horses' tail and any excess feathering from coronets and fetlocks
- ▲ move horses into the suggested safer paddock
- ▲ notify TA if you choose to evacuate your horse
- ▲ be ready to see to your horse after the fire front has passed

### Important Information

- ▲ The yards/car park where you are grazing is the designated emergency assembly area
- ▲ All vehicles are to be parked in the car park and should not restrict access along roads or at gateways
- ▲ If a fire is already burning within the complex, agistees should stay away until the fire has passed or until it is safe to enter the complex

**EVACUATE YOURSELF IMMEDIATELY IF THE FIRE IS APPROACHING**

## Gilmore (Macarthur Park) Fire Response Plan

Plan your personal fire response and share your plan with family, friends and fellow agistees.



## Triggers for Fire Response plan

- ▲ Declaration of an **Extreme or Catastrophic** fire danger rating ▲ Fire event

## Communication Channels

- ▲ On notification of an incident, TA will attempt to contact Gilmore agistees through text or email
- ▲ Agistees to implement phone tree. Contact {insert Paddock Rep contact} to be part of the Gilmore phone tree
- ▲ UHF Channel 20 and TRN Incident Channel (Call sign "Horse 1")
- ▲ Mobile 0411 030 281
- ▲ Office 02 6226 8277
- ▲ All communication should be limited to essential communications

## Suggested Safer Area

Your suggested safer area is Gilmore – P1 or Macarthur Park – P2 unless an alternative location is identified below.

# Paddock

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## Evacuation Routes

- ▲ Gilmore – onto Isabella Drive
- ▲ Macarthur Park – Ebsworth Close onto Jackie Howe Cres

## Action

- ▲ remove all fly veils, synthetic halters and rugs and metal objects from your horse
- ▲ consider trimming your horses' tail and any excess feathering from coronets and fetlocks
- ▲ move horses into the suggested safer paddock
- ▲ notify TA if you choose to evacuate your horse
- ▲ be ready to see to your horse after the fire front has passed

## Important Information

- ▲ The yards/car park are the designated emergency assembly area

All vehicles are to be parked in the car park and should not restrict access along roads or at gateways

If a fire is already burning within the complex, agistees should stay away until the fire has passed

**EVACUATE YOURSELF IMMEDIATELY IF THE FIRE IS APPROACHING**

## Mt Taylor Fire Response Plan

Plan your personal fire response and share your plan with family, friends and fellow agistees.





## Triggers for Fire Response plan

- ▲ Declaration of an **Extreme or Catastrophic** fire danger rating ▲ Fire event

## Communication Channels

- ▲ On notification of an incident, TA will attempt to contact Mt Taylor agistees through text or email
- ▲ Agistees to implement phone tree. Contact {insert Paddock Rep contact} to be part of the Mt Taylor phone tree
- ▲ UHF Channel 20 and TRN Incident Channel (Call sign "Horse 1")
- ▲ Mobile 0411 030 281
- ▲ Office 02 6226 8277
- ▲ All communication should be limited to essential communications

## Suggested Safer Area

Your suggested safer area is the Yards unless an alternative location is identified below.

# Yards

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## Evacuation Routes

- ▲ Via Athlon Drive

## Action

- ▲ remove all fly veils, synthetic halters and rugs and metal objects from your horse
- ▲ consider trimming your horses' tail and any excess feathering from coronets and fetlocks
- ▲ move horses into the suggested safer paddock
- ▲ notify TA if you choose to evacuate your horse
- ▲ be ready to see to your horse after the fire front has passed

## Important Information

- ▲ The yards/car park are the designated emergency assembly area  
All vehicles are to be parked in the car park and should not restrict access along roads or at gateways  
If a fire is already burning within the complex, agistees should stay away until the fire has passed

**EVACUATE YOURSELF IMMEDIATELY IF THE FIRE IS APPROACHING**





## Mt Neighbour Fire Response Plan

Plan your personal fire response and share your plan with family, friends and fellow agistees.

### Triggers for Fire Response plan

- ▲ Declaration of an **Extreme or Catastrophic** fire danger rating ▲ Fire event

### Communication Channels

- ▲ On notification of an incident, TA will attempt to contact Mt Neighbour agistees through text or email
- ▲ Agistees to implement phone tree. Contact {insert Paddock Rep contact} to be part of the Mt Neighbour phone tree
- ▲ UHF Channel 20 and TRN Incident Channel (Call sign "Horse 1")
- ▲ Mobile 0411 030 281
- ▲ Office 02 6226 8277
- ▲ All communication should be limited to essential communications

### Suggested Safer Area

Your suggested safer area is the Yards/Founder Paddock unless an alternative location is identified below.

# Yards

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### Evacuation Routes

- ▲ Via Allchin Cct Kambah

### Action

- ▲ remove all fly veils, synthetic halters and rugs and metal objects from your horse
- ▲ consider trimming your horses' tail and any excess feathering from coronets and fetlocks
- ▲ move horses into the suggested safer paddock
- ▲ notify TA if you choose to evacuate your horse
- ▲ be ready to see to your horse after the fire front has passed

### Important Information

- ▲ The yards/car park are the designated emergency assembly area

EVACUATE YOURSELF IMMEDIATELY IF THE FIRE IS APPROACHING

- ▲
- ▲ or until it is safe to enter the complex



## Nth Curtin Fire Response Plan

fire approaching a horse complex.

Plan your personal fire response and share your plan with family, friends and fellow agistees.

### Triggers for Fire Response plan

- ▲ Declaration of a **An Extreme or Catastrophic** fire danger rating ▲ Fire event

### Communication Channels

- ▲ On notification of an incident, TA will attempt to contact Nth Curtin agistees through text or email
- ▲ Agistees to implement phone tree. Contact {insert Paddock Rep contact} to be part of the Nth Curtin phone tree
- ▲ UHF Channel 20 and TRN Incident Channel (Call sign "Horse 1")
- ▲ Mobile 0411 030 281
- ▲ Office 02 6226 8277
- ▲ All communication should be limited to essential communications

### Suggested Safer Area

Your suggested safer area is Paddock 5 / the yards unless an alternative location is identified below.

# Paddock 5

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### Evacuation Routes

- ▲ McCulloch St to Cotter Rd

### Action

- ▲ remove all fly veils, synthetic halters and rugs and metal objects from your horse
- ▲ consider trimming your horses' tail and any excess feathering from coronets and fetlocks
- ▲ move horses into the suggested safer paddock
- ▲ notify TA if you choose to evacuate your horse
- ▲ be ready to see to your horse after the fire front has passed

### Important Information

- ▲ The yards/car park are the designated emergency assembly area
- ▲
- ▲ or until it is safe to enter the complex



All vehicles are to be parked in the car park and should not restrict access along roads or at gateways If a fire is already burning within the complex, agistees should stay away until the fire has passed

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## Oaks Estate

fire approaching a horse complex.

Plan your personal fire response and share your plan with family, friends and fellow agistees.

### Triggers for Fire Response plan

- ▲ Declaration of a **An Extreme or Catastrophic** fire danger rating ▲ Fire event

### Communication Channels

- ▲ On notification of an incident, TA will attempt to contact Oaks Estate agistees through text or email
- ▲ Agistees to implement phone tree. Contact {insert Paddock Rep contact} to be part of the Oaks Estate phone tree
- ▲ UHF Channel 20 and TRN Incident Channel (Call sign "Horse 1")
- ▲ Mobile 0411 030 281
- ▲ Office 02 6226 8277
- ▲ All communication should be limited to essential communications

### Suggested Safer Area

Your suggested safer area is Paddock 1 if grazing P 1/2 or Yards if grazing P 3-7 unless an alternative location

is identified below.

# Yards/Paddock

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### Evacuation Routes

- ▲ Railway St onto Canberra Avenue or Uriarra Rd
- ▲ There is only one road into P 3-7 so consider early evacuation

### Action

- ▲ remove all fly veils, synthetic halters and rugs and metal objects from your horse
- ▲ consider trimming your horses' tail and any excess feathering from coronets and fetlocks
- ▲
- ▲ or until it is safe to enter the complex



- ▲ move horses into the suggested safer paddock
- ▲ notify TA if you choose to evacuate your horse
- ▲ be ready to see to your horse after the fire front has passed

### **Important Information**

If grazing P1-2- P1 gate is the designated emergency assembly area. If grazing P3-7, the Yards are the designated emergency assembly area.

All vehicles are to be parked in the car park and should not restrict access along roads or at gateways  
If a fire is already burning within the complex, agistees should stay away until the fire has passed safe to enter the complex

- ▲
- ▲ or until it is safe to enter the complex



## Fire Response Plan

### Parkwood A

The preservation of human life is the most important consideration in the event of a fire in a horse complex or a large fire approaching a horse complex.

Plan your personal fire response and share your plan with family, friends and fellow agistees.

#### Triggers for Fire Response plan

- ▲ Declaration of a **An Extreme or Catastrophic** fire danger rating ▲ Fire event

#### Communication Channels

- ▲ On notification of an incident, TA will attempt to contact Parkwood agistees through text or email
- ▲ Agistees to implement phone tree. Contact {insert Paddock Rep contact} to be part of the Parkwood phone tree
- ▲ UHF Channel 20 and TRN Incident Channel (Call sign "Horse 1")
- ▲ Mobile 0411 030 281
- ▲ Office 02 6226 8277
- ▲ All communication should be limited to essential communications

#### Suggested Safer Area

Your suggested safer area is the current or previous paddock depending on which has the lowest grass height, unless

an alternative location is identified below.

# Paddock

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#### Evacuation Routes

- ▲ Parkwood Rd to Southern Cross Drive
- ▲ There is only one road in and out of the Parkwood complex so agistees need to be aware of the need to evacuate early

#### Action

- ▲ remove all fly veils, synthetic halters and rugs and metal objects from your horse
- ▲ consider trimming your horses' tail and any excess feathering from coronets and fetlocks
- ▲ move horses into the suggested safer paddock
- ▲ notify TA if you choose to evacuate your horse
- ▲ be ready to see to your horse after the fire front has passed



or until it is

**EVACUATE YOURSELF IMMEDIATELY IF THE FIRE IS APPROACHING**



## Important Information

The yards/car park are the designated emergency assembly area

All vehicles are to be parked in the car park and should not restrict access along roads or at gateways If a fire is already burning within the complex, agistees should stay away until the fire has passed safe to enter the complex

## Parkwood B

The preservation of human life is the most important consideration in the event of a fire in a horse complex or a large fire approaching a horse complex.

Plan your personal fire response and share your plan with family, friends and fellow agistees.

### Triggers for Fire Response plan

- ▲ Declaration of a **An Extreme or Catastrophic** fire danger rating
- ▲ Fire event

### Communication Channels

- ▲ On notification of an incident, TA will attempt to contact Parkwood agistees through text or email
- ▲ Agistees to implement phone tree. Contact {insert Paddock Rep contact} to be part of the Parkwood phone tree
- ▲ UHF Channel 20 and TRN Incident Channel (Call sign "Horse 1")
- ▲ Mobile 0411 030 281
- ▲ Office 02 6226 8277
- ▲ All communication should be limited to essential communications

### Suggested Safer Area

Your suggested safer area is the current or previous paddock depending on which has the lowest grass height,

unless an alternative location is identified below.

# Paddock

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### Evacuation Routes

- ▲ Parkwood Rd to Southern Cross Drive
- ▲ There is only one road in and out of the Parkwood complex so agistees need to be aware of the need to evacuate early

### Action

- ▲ remove all fly veils, synthetic halters and rugs and metal objects from your horse
- ▲ consider trimming your horses' tail and any excess feathering from coronets and fetlocks
- ▲



- ▲ move horses into the suggested safer paddock
- ▲ notify TA if you choose to evacuate your horse
- ▲ be ready to see to your horse after the fire front has passed

### Important Information

The yards/car park are the designated emergency assembly area

All vehicles are to be parked in the car park and should not restrict access along roads or at gateways If a fire is already burning within the complex, agistees should stay away until the fire has passed safe to enter the complex

## Rose Cottage Fire Response Plan

The preservation of human life is the most important consideration in the event of a fire in a horse complex or a large fire approaching a horse complex.

Plan your personal fire response and share your plan with family, friends and fellow agistees.

### Triggers for Fire Response plan

- ▲ Declaration of a **An Extreme or Catastrophic** fire danger rating
- ▲ Fire event

### Communication Channels

- ▲ On notification of an incident, TA will attempt to contact Rose Cottage agistees through text or email
- ▲ Agistees to implement phone tree. Contact {insert Paddock Rep contact} to be part of the Rose Cottage phone tree
- ▲ UHF Channel 20 and TRN Incident Channel (Call sign "Horse 1")
- ▲ Mobile 0411 030 281
- ▲ Office 02 6226 8277
- ▲ All communication should be limited to essential communications

### Suggested Safer Area

Your suggested safer area is the Paddock 4 unless an alternative location is identified below.

# Paddock 4

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### Evacuation Routes

- ▲ Long Gully Lane to Erindale Drive or Monaro Highway or Mugga Lane

### Action

- ▲ remove all fly veils, synthetic halters and rugs and metal objects from your horse
- ▲



- ▲ consider trimming your horses' tail and any excess feathering from coronets and fetlocks
- ▲ move horses into the suggested safer paddock
- ▲ notify TA if you choose to evacuate your horse
- ▲ be ready to see to your horse after the fire front has passed

### **Important Information**

- ▲ The steel yards are the designated emergency assembly area
- ▲ All vehicles are to be parked in the car park and should not restrict access along roads or at gateways If a fire is already burning within the complex, agistees should stay away until the fire has passed or until it is safe to enter the complex

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## Yarralumla Fire Response Plan

Plan your personal fire response and share your plan with family, friends and fellow agistees.

### Triggers for Fire Response plan

- ▲ Declaration of an **Extreme or Catastrophic** fire danger rating
- ▲ Fire event

### Communication Channels

- ▲ On notification of an incident, TA will attempt to contact Yarralumla agistees through text or email
- ▲ Agistees to implement phone tree. Contact {insert Paddock Rep contact} to be part of the Yarralumla phone tree
- ▲ UHF Channel 20 and TRN Incident Channel (Call sign "Horse 1")
- ▲ Mobile 0411 030 281
- ▲ Office 02 6226 8277
- ▲ All communication should be limited to essential communications

### Suggested Safer Area

Your suggested safer area is the current or previous paddock depending on which has the lowest grass height, unless an alternative location is identified below.

# Paddock 6

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### Evacuation Routes

- ▲ Cotter Rd

### Action

- ▲ remove all fly veils, synthetic halters and rugs and metal objects from your horse
- ▲ consider trimming your horses' tail and any excess feathering from coronets and fetlocks
- ▲ move horses into the suggested safer paddock
- ▲ notify TA if you choose to evacuate your horse
- ▲ be ready to see to your horse after the fire front has passed

### Important Information

- ▲ The yards/car park are the designated emergency assembly area
- ▲ All vehicles are to be parked in the car park and should not restrict access along roads or at gateways
- ▲ If a fire is already burning within the complex, agistees should stay away until the fire has passed or until it is safe to enter the complex

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