

Kalang

RETREAT

Bushfire Emergency Information

Kalang Retreat is located near a nature reserve within the bushland community of Somers, and may therefore be susceptible to bushfires. Management live on-site and should be in attendance for most of your residency, so they can advise you what to do if a bushfire threatens or occurs while you are in residency. Please take note of the following information in the event of a fire in the vicinity.

Important Links:

VicEmergency App:

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

<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/vicemergency/id356559665?mt=8>

Vic Emergency website (for current incidents and warnings):

<https://emergency.vic.gov.au/respond/>

Useful contact numbers:

EMERGENCY: 000

When There Is A Fire Event In The Vicinity

In the event of a bushfire threatening, survival is the main aim, so the best option is to leave the residency early. The local fire brigade does sound a siren to warn the Somers community. You should pack your bags and be prepared to evacuate.

If you choose to leave Kalang Retreat, we ask you to notify the Management before your departure (wherever possible) so that we can account for your location.

During a bushfire threat, the Management may declare the residency closed and Guests may be asked to return home. This would be done in extreme circumstances, including, but not limited to, a Severe, Extreme or Code Red fire event. Guests will be refunded for the balance of unused days.

If you are asked to leave the premises by Kalang Retreat's management or Emergency Services, you need to know that there is an Evacuation Point (also known as a Neighbourhood Safer Place – Last Resort Point, as identified by the Mornington Peninsula Municipal Fire Management Plan). This point is located at the Balnarring Village shopping-centre carpark. If possible, Management may be able to assist with transportation to this Evacuation Point, or you may have to use your own car. Once the danger has passed, we envisage that you might be able to return to Kalang Retreat. If not, you may need to leave this Evacuation Point and commence your trip home. If you decide not to meet at the Evacuation Point, you may instead choose to return home.

The Management has prepared this information in the interests of your safety, but every emergency situation will be unique and you should take such action as you believe is in your best interest, given the circumstances and the advice provided to you.

We encourage each Guest to download the VicEmergency app onto your mobile phone. This app replaced the Fire Ready app in November 2016 and aligns with the VicEmergency website.

Once the app is installed, please include Somers in your Watch Zone as a means of keeping abreast of any imminent fire emergency information and warnings.

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