

PREPARE YOUR HOME FOR SUMMER STORMS



CLEAN GUTTERS, DRAINS AND DOWNPIPES

Blockages can cause the water to overflow under the eaves into the roof cavity. Make sure you take the time to properly clean the gutters, drains and downpipes.





REMOVE TREE BRANCHES CLOSE TO YOUR HOME

During a summer storm, branches could fall onto your home and damage your property. Trim and prune any trees that could pose a risk.





SECURE LOOSE ITEMS AROUND YOUR PROPERTY

Store and secure any loose items in your backyard that could blow away from strong winds. You can bring items inside or employ a strap-down mechanic.





LEARN HOW TO SAFELY TURN OFF YOUR POWER, WATER AND GAS

In the event of a summer storm, you need to know how to quickly turn off the power, water and gas in your home to prevent damage to yourself and your property.









GET A PROFESSIONAL BUILDER TO ASSESS THE STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY OF YOUR HOUSE

Fix any damage to your roof, including broken or missing tiles.





KEEP YOUR PHONE CHARGED AND READY

During the summer storm season, ensure your phone is fully charged and accessible. Use your phone sparingly during a summer storm.





PREPARE AN **EMERGENCY KIT**

Tick off the items you have in your preparation kit.



- Drinking water
- Canned food
- Can opener
- Battery powered radio
- Torch with
- extra batteries
- First Aid Kit
- Disinfectant
- Whistle

- Mess kits, paper cups, plates and plastic utensils
- Phone charger
- __ Cash
- Important family documents (insurance papers, bank accounts, medical records)
- Spare clothing

Make sure your emergency kit is accessible.



MONITOR WEATHER ALERTS

During the summer storm season, it's important to monitor weather warnings and take advice from authorities like the SES.

Your local SES phone number:

