

# STORM

## ACTION GUIDE

Severe storms cause more damage than any other event. Here are some simple steps you can take to minimise the risk from storms to you and your property.

### BE PREPARED

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- ▶ Stay inside and shelter away from windows
- ▶ Have an emergency kit on hand, including a battery operated radio, torch and spare batteries
- ▶ Keep a list of emergency numbers handy
- ▶ Secure loose items in your yard
- ▶ Keep downpipes and guttering clear
- ▶ Store poisons above ground level in case of flash floods

### DURING THE STORM

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- ▶ Stay inside and shelter clear of windows
- ▶ Listen to your radio for storm updates
- ▶ If outdoors, find safe shelter
- ▶ Do not shelter under trees or metal structures
- ▶ Ensure pets are safe

### AFTER THE STORM

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- ▶ Check your house for damage
- ▶ Beware of fallen power lines
- ▶ Check trees for damage and stability
- ▶ Listen to your radio for further weather information
- ▶ Check on your neighbours if safe to do so

*For further information contact your local State Emergency Service office.*

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