

# Preparing Your Home and Property

**PREPARE,  
TAKE ACTION,  
RECOVER**

## PREPARE YOUR HOME AND PROPERTY FOR CYCLONE AND FLOODS

Preparing your family and your home for a cyclone is your responsibility. If you live in a cyclone prone area, you must make it a priority between **May and October** to get your home ready inside and out.

### Before the cyclone season YOU MUST

- Trim branches and treetops around your home
- Remove or secure loose items around your home
- Fix shutters or metal screens to all your glass windows and doors
- Know how to switch off the electricity, gas and water

### Ask yourself

- Does your home meet local council cyclone and flood standards?
- Is your home safe to stay in during a cyclone?
- Are the walls, roof and eaves secure?
- Are your shutters and locks working?
- Does your property insurance cover you for cyclone and flood?

A full list of preparedness actions can be found at [www.dfes.wa.gov.au](http://www.dfes.wa.gov.au)



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### DID YOU KNOW?

Not all homes are a safe place to be during a cyclone. Where will you go if your home is not well prepared?

When a **BLUE ALERT** is issued, you need to start preparing your home for the possible threat of a cyclone. This includes securing all items outside such as your boat, caravan or trailer.

For more information visit [www.dfes.wa.gov.au](http://www.dfes.wa.gov.au) or contact **DFES Community Engagement 9395 9816**

