

Horses and cyclones

Have a cyclone plan

In a cyclone, you need somewhere safe to shelter. Your horses need somewhere safe as well. Planning ahead is the best approach to help keep your horses safe during an emergency. Make a plan for how you will prepare for cyclones and discuss with your household, including:

- where will you shelter?
- where will your horses shelter?
- is their regular accommodation suitable or do you need to make alternative arrangements?
 If so, where will they go and how will they get there?
- who else needs to know your plan? Think about family, neighbours and others who may be able to help.

Be prepared

- ✓ Include horses in your household/property emergency plan
- Prepare early think about food, water and shelter
- ✓ Move horses under solid shelter if possible
- ✓ If your property is in danger of flooding, move horses to the highest area of the property
- Consider opening internal property gates to allow horses to move between paddocks to dry ground

- Provide enough supplementary feed (such as hay) and water to last at least five days. Put it in the area least likely to flood.
- Do not cut fences along roadsides or leave external property gates open
- ✓ Make final preparations under amber alert
- ✓ Do not move animals under red alert
- ✓ Do not leave shelter until safe to do so.

Identification

All livestock, including horses, should be appropriately identified and registered.

Visit agric.wa.gov.au/livestock-movement-identification/livestock-ownership-identification-and-movement-western-australia

Cyclone alerts

Cyclone alerts are issued by the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) and cyclones are tracked by the Bureau of Meteorology (BOM). Learn what the different alerts mean and what to do at each stage.

Visit emergency.wa.gov.au