

# NORFOLK ISLAND CYCLONE SEASON PREPAREDNESS

Emergency Management Norfolk Island and Norfolk Island Regional Council would like to remind the community of preparations and safety procedures to take during the cyclone season. Whilst the cyclone season is normally from November through to April, cyclones can form outside those months.

Prior to cyclone season and before a warning is issued by the Bureau of Meteorology, it's important to take the time to:

- check over the outside of your house, sheds and outbuildings,
- keep gutters and downpipes clear of leaves and blockages,
- trim any trees and branches well clear of your house,
- clear your yard of loose material that could blow about and cause injury and damage in severe winds,
- prepare an emergency kit containing for example - portable battery radio, torch with spare batteries, matches, water bottles, dried or canned food, first aid kit and masking tape for windows and a list of emergency phone and contact details.

For more information on cyclone preparation and safety procedures, please refer to the Norfolk Island Regional Council website or page 8 of the 2018 Norfolk Island phone book. There are Cyclone Preparedness posters displayed at various places around the island. Please take the time to read and react to the suggested precautions you can take in the cyclone season.

Thank you for your cooperation, and always remember to *Prepare for the worst, hope for the best.*

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