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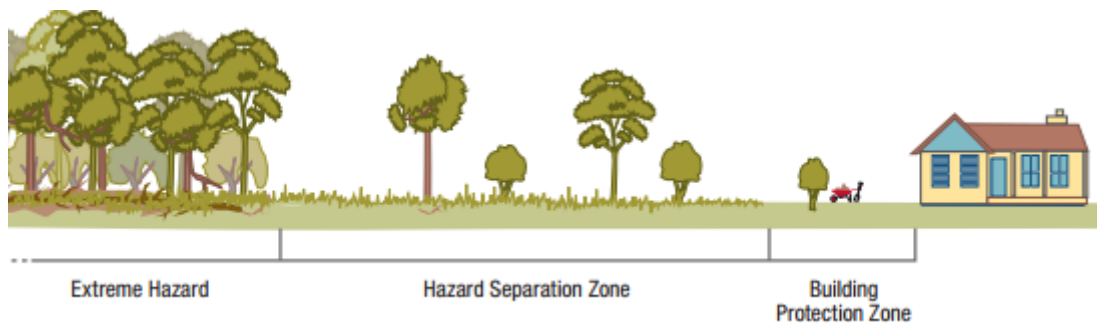
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**ARE YOU  
BUSHFIRE  
READY?**

## ***Tips for survival in a Bushfire – BUILDING PROTECTION ZONE***

We all have a responsibility to reduce the risk of bushfire. By preparing your home or business you increase the chance that your property will survive a bushfire, even if you are not there to defend it.

One way you can help protect your property is to create a circle of safety – a building protection zone – around the building.



Do the following to assist in creating your 'circle of safety':

- ❖ Create a 20 metre (or more) circle of safety around your home and other buildings by clearing all rubbish, long dry grass, bark and material that may catch fire.
- ❖ Prune lower branches (up to two metres off the ground) to stop a ground fire spreading into the canopy of the trees.
- ❖ Clear vegetation along the boundary of your property to create a firebreak. Make sure you meet your local government's firebreak requirements.
- ❖ Cut long grass and dense scrub.

**There are other things you can do to reduce the risk of bushfire. Go to:**

**[www.emergency.wa.gov.au/prepare](http://www.emergency.wa.gov.au/prepare).**