



# EMERGENCY SERVICES LEVY FOR A SAFER STATE

**The Emergency Services Levy (ESL) supports more than 26,000 fire and rescue, marine and emergency services volunteers and funds over 1,600 firefighters and Department of Fire and Emergency Services' (DFES) staff to provide 24/7 fire and emergency assistance across Western Australia.**

Collectively, volunteers, firefighters and DFES staff work together to protect and keep Western Australians safe from natural disasters and emergency events - responding to more than 25,000 incidents every year.

The ESL funds operations that keeps the community safe from bushfires, protects people from floods, storms and cyclones, helps those involved in road crashes, guards the community from hazardous spills and saves lives through search and rescue missions on land or at sea.

Wherever you live in Western Australia, you'll see the ESL hard at work.

In response to COVID-19, the 2020/21 ESL rates have been frozen.

## Thank you

Your ESL contribution ensures that DFES, all emergency services and their volunteers have the resources, funding, training and support needed to keep Western Australian communities safe.



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# The 2020/21 Emergency Services Levy funds:



**Triple Zero (000)**  
24/7 emergency assistance  
taking over 36,000 calls annually



**Emergency WA**  
publishing more than 3,400  
online alerts and warnings



**Fire and Emergency Facilities**  
operating 24/7 to keep  
communities safe



**Bushfire Centre of Excellence**  
establishing Australia's first centre  
for bushfire management training



**Bushfire and Emergency Funding**  
supporting local governments to  
fund volunteer bushfire and state  
emergency services



**Fire Investigations**  
researching over 100 fire cases  
to minimise future risks



**Fire Response**  
supporting volunteer and career  
firefighters to fight 8,000+ fires  
each year



**Fire and Emergency Vehicles**  
powering the frontline with over  
2,000 emergency response vehicles



**Safety, Education and Training**  
reducing hazards and risks,  
and developing firefighters and  
volunteers for frontline response



**Aerial Fleet**  
suppressing more than 170  
fires from the air and performing  
search and rescue missions



**Bushfire Mitigation**  
reducing bushfire risk to protect  
people, property and communities



**Natural Hazards**  
responding to more than 450 storm,  
cyclone, flood and other natural  
hazard events



**Marine Rescue**  
performing more than 1,400  
search and rescue missions at sea



**Road Crash Rescue**  
performing over 2,400 road crash  
rescues to save people on the road

## Questions about the ESL? Call 1300 136 099

For more information on the ESL, including rebates, and to request brochures in large print, Braille or another language, please visit [dfes.wa.gov.au/esl](https://dfes.wa.gov.au/esl)



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