



# EMERGENCY SERVICES LEVY FOR A SAFER STATE

The Emergency Services Levy (ESL) helps to deliver fire and emergency services across Western Australia to keep our communities safe.

**The ESL protects Western Australians by funding the delivery of services linked to bushfires, severe weather and cyclones, floods, road crashes, hazardous spills and search and rescue missions.**

It also supports the vital work undertaken by this State's 26,000 emergency services volunteers, 1,600 firefighters and Department of Fire and Emergency Services' staff. It contributes to the fire and emergency vehicles and aerial fleet, life-saving equipment and emergency services facilities.

Wherever you live, travel through or holiday in Western Australia, you will see the ESL hard at work.

Your ESL contribution is included within your local government rates notice.

**To learn more about how your ESL is calculated, including information on the different ESL rates, limits and concessions visit [dfes.wa.gov.au/esl](https://dfes.wa.gov.au/esl)**



The ESL enables firefighters and emergency services volunteers to respond to more than 25,000 emergency incidents every year including:



### **Severe Weather**

responding to more than 2,500 community requests for assistance after storm, cyclone, flood and other natural hazards events



### **Fire Response**

fighting over 7,000 fires every year



### **Marine Rescue**

performing more than 1,200 search and rescue missions at sea



### **Road Crash Rescue**

attending more than 2,500 road crash rescues to help save people from road accidents



# In 2022/23 the Emergency Services Levy will fund:



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



**Emergency WA**  
an upgrade to the online warning system that delivers more than 3,700 emergency alerts and warnings each year



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



**Aerial Fleet**  
dropping 15.1 million litres for bushfire suppression and flying more than 2,450 aerial firefighting, search and rescue and transport missions



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



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



**Fire and Emergency Facilities**  
operating around the clock to keep communities safe and securing a location for a new fire station to service the growing northern metropolitan population



**Supporting Community Emergency Services**  
providing grants to fund volunteer bushfire brigades, State Emergency Service units and marine rescue groups



**Fire investigations**  
researching more than 100 fire cases annually to minimise future risk



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