

## Staff Advisory

### Mobile Phone Emergency Applications

One thing most of us carry at all times is our phones, so why not make them smarter? Phones these days can do much more than check emails and take pictures. They can be more useful in an emergency situation than you may realise!

In order to ensure the safety and wellbeing of Scouts NSW staff, it is recommended that you download these Apps to your mobile device.

Most of these apps are not ones you'll use every day. However, they will be especially useful for when/if the unexpected happens. Familiarise yourself with their content so you'll be better prepared to survive an unplanned situation, or even save a life!

Most of these emergency apps are available for both Android and I-Phone. All are free, however they require a mobile signal to work effectively.

### Emergency + Smartphone Application



Australia's Triple Zero Awareness Working Group has developed a smartphone app for iOS, Android and Windows devices to:

- provide the caller with information about when to call Triple Zero
- provide the caller with information about who to call in various non-emergency situations
- State Emergency Service (SES) (132 500)
- Police Assistance Line (131 444)
- Crime Stoppers (1800 333 000)
- Health Direct Australia (1800 022 222)
- National Relay Service
- assist the caller to dial the relevant number
- **Displays the GPS coordinates of the phone's location that the caller can read out to the emergency operator.**

The App is free of charge and available for download from iTunes, Google Play and Windows Stores.

A mobile signal is required to use this application and the phone GPS must be enabled.



## Fires Near Me Application



This App displays all the bush & grass fires attended by fire services in NSW and other incidents attended by NSW RFS volunteers. You can click on any incident to see more information, and zoom in to see the latest mapped incident area. Incident maps may differ from the update time of the incident.

## Bureau of Meteorology Mobile Weather Website



This is the official Australian weather site for all states and territories. It provides NSW weather and warnings summary, as well as forecasts for Sydney and major towns across NSW. It also provides district forecasts, rain radar, 24-hour rainfall information and information on river heights and flood levels.

## First-Aid Australian Red Cross



The official Australian Red Cross First Aid App gives instant access to information you need to know to handle the most common first aid emergencies. Developed for the Australian market, the App features up to date CPR and First Aid guidelines as set out by the Australian Resuscitation Council (ARC). It's simple & it's free.

## Where is Public Toilets



Never be without a loo ever again. You can find the nearest, most suitable restrooms for yourself in several seconds based on your current location and it can guide you to the destination via Google Route function.



## Live Traffic



Live Traffic NSW provides up-to-the minute news of incidents and conditions that affect your journey in Sydney and Regional NSW.

This app provides you with live updates about traffic incidents and access to live traffic cameras from the Transport Management Centre (TMC).

**You must have the GPS enabled on your mobile phone at all times. This enables your co-ordinates to be seen on your phone and read out to the Emergency Services.**

WHS recommends that all staff place the following essential applications on their mobile phones:

- Emergency +
- Fires Near Me
- BOM
- Live Traffic

then

**Enable your phone GPS**

**In an emergency DO NOT HANG UP YOUR PHONE**

**Please ensure you follow the rules regarding mobile phone use when operating a motor vehicle.**

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