

What to do in case of a VELD FIRE

A step-by-step guide

STEP 1

- Phone the fire and rescue services, your neighbours and the local FPA.
- Call 122 from a cell phone or 10177 from a landline (toll-free).
- If you are a member of an FPA, contact your relevant fire protection officer.



STEP 2

If you are in the veld and you see a fire, move away from it immediately. Never ignore a fire, even if it seems far away – it can quickly become bigger and engulf you.

STEP 3

If you feel threatened and you don't think you can outrun the fire, or if you are surrounded, then find a 'safe zone'. This can be an area that has already been burnt, or is completely clear of any fuel that can burn, such as a wide road or an old homestead.

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

City of Cape Town	021 480 7700	Greater Cederberg FPA	079 172 4340
Eden District Municipality	044 805 5071	Cape Peninsular FPA	021 689 7438
Overberg District Municipality	028 425 1690	Winelands FPA	021 888 5821
West Coast District Municipality	022 433 8700	Greater Overberg FPA	028 425 1690
Central Karoo District Municipality	023 414 2603	Southern Cape FPA	021 882 9085
Cape Winelands District Municipality	021 887 4446	Fire-Fighting Training	021 862 8457

CHECKLIST FOR PRODUCERS

Alien clearing efforts are up to date



Identify high-risk areas on farm



Set emergency fire procedure



Join Fire Protection Association



Fire management plan in place



Maintain firebreaks

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