



Livestock and storms

Have a storm plan

In a storm, you need somewhere safe to shelter. Your livestock need somewhere safe as well. Planning ahead is the best approach to help keep your animals safe during an emergency. Make a plan for how you will prepare for cyclones and discuss with your household, including:

- is your property flood prone?
- what areas are least likely to flood?
- what dangers could a storm present on your property? Are there powerlines, trees, other potential dangers?
- what direction do most storm fronts come from in your area?
- which parts of your property are most sheltered from wind and driving rain?
- who else needs to know your plan? Think about family, neighbours and others who may be able to help.

Be prepared

- ✓ Create an emergency kit
- ✓ Identify areas of your property least likely to flood
- ✓ If your property is in danger of flooding, move livestock to the highest area of the property

- ✓ Consider opening internal property gates to allow livestock to move between paddocks to dry ground
- ✓ Identify areas of your property that provide the most shelter
- ✓ Identify the most vulnerable classes of livestock and take appropriate action. e.g. provide most sheltered paddocks to lambing ewes and youngstock
- ✓ Keep an eye on weather forecasts
- ✓ Do not leave shelter to check animals until safe to do so.

Identification

All livestock should be appropriately identified and registered.

Visit agric.wa.gov.au/livestock-movement-identification/livestock-ownership-identification-and-movement-western-australia

Storm warnings

Storm warnings are issued by the Bureau of Meteorology (BOM).

Visit emergency.wa.gov.au