

Storage compliance

Anyone in possession of dangerous goods must follow legislative requirements about their storage and handling.

Depending on the quantity and classes of goods stored, you may also need to notify WorkSafe.

There are many different classes of dangerous goods but common ones include flammable liquids and substances which are explosive, corrosive or toxic.

If you are concerned about the way someone is storing or handling dangerous goods, you can contact WorkSafe on 1800 136 089.

The call can be anonymous.

For more information about the storage and handling of dangerous goods, visit worksafe.vic.gov.au

Useful Links

business.gov.au
insurancecouncil.com.au
emergency.vic.gov.au
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epa.vic.gov.au

HumeLink

Hume City Council's
multilingual telephone information service.
General enquiries: Telephone 9205 2200

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HUME CITY COUNCIL TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS

A practical resource for
protecting your business
from emergencies

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Protecting your business

In 2017, a large industrial fire occurred in Coolaroo. The fire burned for over seven days and caused the evacuation of multiple businesses in the area. Many businesses were unable to function and recorded high financial losses due to the impact of the fire – This could happen to you and your business!



We often think about internal emergencies, but how do you plan and what steps do you have in place if your business is affected by external emergencies such as fires, floods and storms.

This booklet has been prepared to prompt you to consider what you need to do prior to an emergency. The more prepared you are in managing an emergency, the sooner you can get back to servicing your customers and looking after yourself and your employees.



How prepared are you?

This simple checklist will help you identify how prepared you are for an emergency. Do you have:

- An emergency management plan.
- Readily available contact list for all internal and external stakeholders, suppliers and employees.
- Business continuity plan if you are not able to access your business for days and weeks. This would include planning for relocation, asset replacement and service delivery.
- Contact details for utility providers - water, gas, electricity and phone.
- The VicEmergency App, so you are able to find up to date information about the emergencies in your area.

Other things to consider:

- Back up of all your IT, information and files, and store off site or on the cloud.
- The risks in your area or to your business.
- Your legal obligations to your employees during and after an emergency.

Insurance

Having the right insurance will help protect your business if you are affected by an emergency. It is vital to know what business assets, property, stock or products you can't afford to lose, or if your business is impacted and you cannot operate.

Types of insurance to consider are:

- Building and contents
- Deterioration of stock
- Electronic equipment
- Goods in transit
- Evacuation Insurance

