



FARM FIRE UNITS

The NSW RFS recognises that in many parts of the state our NSW RFS resources are supported by the use of private equipment, including Farm Fire Units (FFUs), to fight and contain fires.

Safety at fires is **everyone's responsibility**, and the NSW RFS is committed to working with property owners and community members to ensure **we can manage fire together** in a safe and coordinated way.

PREPARE



- Know your local Brigade and how to contact them.
- Have your PPE readily available during fire risk days.
- Ensure your farm fire unit is working, safe and legal.
- Check your pumps, hoses and firefighting equipment.
- Brigades should get to know their local landholders and their firefighting capacity.

COMMUNICATE



- If a fire starts, call Emergency Triple Zero (000).
- If safe to do so, assist and keep small fires small.
- Speak to the first arriving fire crew.
- Move to a local UHF channel as agreed, keep contact.

INTEGRATE



- Talk to Brigade Officers and share local knowledge. Collaborate on the plan.
- Inform firefighters about what's important to you on your property.
- Follow the plan and direction of firefighters to keep each other safe.
- Don't forget to tell someone if you leave the fireground, go home or go to get water.
- Brigades should keep FFU operators informed on operational and safety issues.
- Brigades and Incident Management Teams should seek input from landholders in the fire management process.



It's everyone's responsibility to keep each other safe on the fireground, including landholders, farmers and firefighters.

For more information on Farm Fire Units visit www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/farmers or contact your local fire control centre



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