

Important safety tips

- Ensure your property number is clearly visible from the street
- Gates and driveway entrances must be wide enough to allow emergency services vehicle access
- Emergency services vehicles must be able to access your property if you are not home or unable to open the gates
- Electric gates must be able to open manually in the event of power loss
- Heavy foliage and overhanging branches must not block the driveway
- When parking in a narrow street, make sure you allow enough clearance for emergency services vehicles

In an emergency call 000



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CFA District 13 on (03) 8739 1300

Can we get to you in an emergency?





Have you thought about emergency vehicle access to your property?

By taking a few moments to read this brochure, you and your family may reduce the impact of an emergency

Emergency services vehicles need to easily locate and gain access to residential properties



Electric and manual locking gates

In the event of an emergency, you may not be able to open locked gates due to injury, illness or loss of power. Make sure gates are in working order and can be opened fully.

Electric gates: ensure your gate has a manual override feature so your property is accessible to emergency services personnel.

Manual locking gates: padlocks and bolt locks on front gates make gaining access nearly impossible for emergency services.

Property numbers

Your house or property number needs to be clearly visible from the road.

To be clearly visible by emergency services personnel, the numbers need to be large and well positioned so they can be found during the day and night.

Driveway sizes

An average fire truck is 3m wide and 3.5m high.

Driveways need enough clearance (4m wide and 4m high is recommended) so that a large vehicle can access them. They also need to be clear of overhanging branches and structures like archways.

Street access

Narrow streets make access difficult for fire trucks and other emergency services vehicles.

When parking your car, always ensure there is enough clearance for fire trucks and other emergency services