

Travelling During the Wet Season

**PREPARE,
TAKE ACTION,
RECOVER**

Be prepared and plan your trip ahead

November to April is the wet season in Western Australia's North West bringing with it the risk of tropical cyclones and associated flooding. Severe cyclones can cause widespread damage, injury and loss of life.

Cyclones and flooding are dangerous – if you are planning to travel in the cyclone season then you need to be prepared and plan ahead.

When a cyclone is coming community alerts will be issued on the radio and other media. Listen carefully and do what the alerts say to help keep safe.

Before you set off you must

- Become familiar with the Cyclone Warning System and Alert information
- Check road conditions and obey road closure signs (Main Roads **138 138**)
- Prepare an emergency kit – including a battery operated AM/FM radio
- Know the local ABC radio channel for all areas you plan to travel
- Tell someone about your travel plans



If you are travelling in a caravan you will be asked to leave the area prior to a cyclone approaching. You may not be able to tie down or anchor your caravan at a local caravan park.

Exmouth to Broome has the highest incidence of cyclones anywhere in Australia. Later in the season areas at risk extend further south along the coast.



When travelling during the wet season

- Access www.bom.gov.au to monitor cyclone activity in the region and weather conditions
- Listen to your radio and follow advice from authorities
- Use a recommended route and do not hurry
- Do not drive into water of unknown depth
- Do not park or camp in dry riverbeds

For more information visit www.dfes.wa.gov.au or contact **DFES Community Engagement 9395 9816**

