

## **Emergency** contact details

### Where to get help

If you are unwell, contact your doctor or go to the nearest hospital emergency department.



In an emergency, call 000 for an ambulance.

#### **More information**

Visit the Willoughby City Council website for more information about heatwaves and other emergencies:



Go to the NSW Government website for more information about how to prepare for heatwayes:



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## **Checklist:**

Who v	vill you	call for help during a heatwave
Name:		
Phone	numbe	er:
		check on during a heatwave to ey are okay?
Name:		
Phone	numbe	er:
	will you	ou go if your home is too hot?
	<u>/</u>	A torch
		A radio
	AAA )	Spare batteries
		Cold water to drink
		Ice in the freezer
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Visit Willoughby City Council website for more information about emergencies in your language:





## **GET READY FOR EXTREME HEAT**

Extreme heat can lead to illness. Watch for signs and symptoms:



Dizziness



Headache



Very thirsty



Fainting



Confusion



Nausea or vomiting











Some people are more at risk than others of becoming sick on hot days.

You can help by checking in on your vulnerable family members, friends and neighbours during heatwaves.

People who are more at risk include:



Babies and children



Older people



People with existing illnesses



Pregnant women



### Prepare now for extreme heat



Check your air conditioners and fans



Install blinds or curtains to cover your windows



Have ice cubes in the freezer



Prepare an emergency kit in case of power failure – torch, batteries, radio, etc



Talk to your doctor about whether your medical condition will be affected by heat



Prepare a plan - Know who to call for help and make a list of people and phone numbers

#### **Stay cool on hot days**



#### **Stay hydrated:**

- Drink lots of water
- » Avoid alcohol and sugary drinks

#### **Keep your body cool:**



- » Have a cool shower
- » Wear light-coloured loose clothing
- Stay out of the sun during the hottest times of the day 11am – 5pm

#### **Keep your home cool:**



- » Close your doors, windows and blinds in the day to block out the sun
- » Open your windows at night to let cool air in

# Is your home too hot? Find a cool place

Your local library

**Swimming pool** 

The house of a friend or family member

Publicly accessible buildings with air-conditioning, like a shopping centre

Local park with trees, shade and water