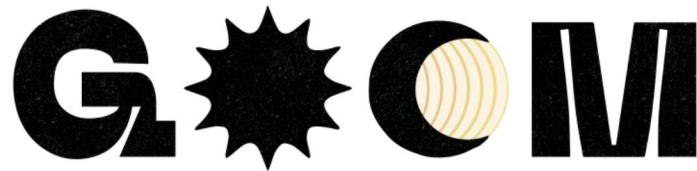


APPENDIX F :



FIRE DANGER RATING POLICY

Venue

363 St Marys Road, Wangoom VIC 3279

Dates

- **5/4/25 – 6/4/25**
- **3/4/27 – 4/4/27**
- **7/4/29 – 8/4/29**

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Fire Danger Policies and Procedures

General Policy

The event will **not occur on a declared Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating day**. The event site may operate on Extreme Fire Danger days, provided the following protocols are followed and align with the EMP and Fire Danger Management Plan.

Preparedness

Weather forecasts and VicEmergency app will be monitored closely by event management due to the potential impact on the safety of patrons and event operations, particularly regarding bushfire risks. This aligns with section 6 of the EMP: Bushfire Risk Management and Traffic Safety.

Event Policies

1. Fire Danger Rating Policy

a. Catastrophic Days

- The event will be **cancelled** on a declared Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating day.
- Adequate staff will be on-site to inform patrons of the cancellation.
- The Fire Danger Management Plan will be implemented as per section 7.5 of the EMP.

b. Extreme Fire Danger Days

- The event will proceed, with management and the CFA collaborating to monitor conditions during the week leading up to and on event days.
- Compliance with section 7 of the EMP is mandatory.

c. Communication

- Effective communication with patrons, staff, and stakeholders is critical on Extreme Fire Danger days.
- Information dissemination methods:
 - **Pre-event:** Email notifications and social media updates.

- **On-day:** PA announcements, additional drinking water stations, and on-ground communication as outlined in section 3.5 of the EMP.
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Total Fire Ban Day

If a Total Fire Ban day is declared, the following measures will be implemented:

- Inform all personnel about the fire ban and implications.
 - Increase volunteer presence to enforce prohibited items checks.
 - Communicate no fires or cooking policies to patrons.
 - Restrict use of spark/flame-producing equipment.
 - Continuously monitor conditions, VicEmergency app and CFA updates, following section 8 of the EMP.
 - Food Vendors operating a barbeque, cooker, hot plates or a spit at outdoor functions will require a written permit from CFA
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Emergency Planning Committee (EPC)

1 Week Before Event

- Event manager contacts CFA District 5 (Phone:(03) 5551 1500) and Victorian Police (Warrnambool Station: (03) 5560 1333).
- EPC meeting convened 7 days prior (on-site or via teleconference).
- Ensure compliance with AS 3745-2010 standards.

3 Days Before & Morning Of Event

- If satisfactory weather is forecast, the event proceeds as planned. Continue monitoring VicEmergency website and all staff are to have VicEmergency App loaded on mobile phones
 - If risk levels remain unacceptable, further EPC meetings will determine cancellation. This aligns with section 4 of the EMP.
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Patron Communication Plan

7 Days Before Event

- Announce updates via social media and email ticket holders.

2-3 Days Before Event

- Update social media with safety/risk details.
- Prepare cancellation notices.
- Assign staff to communication roles in case of cancellation.

On Event Day

- If canceled:
 - Notify patrons via social media and ticketing agency emails.
 - Activate on-site announcements and staff notifications.
 - If proceeding:
 - Monitor CFA updates and VicEmergency app
 - All staff to have VicEmergency App loaded on mobile phones
 - Ensure staff have charged and operational devices.
 - Increase water availability and firefighting resources as detailed in section 9.1 of the EMP.
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Summary of On-Day Measures

- Regular PA announcements.
- Expanded access to drinking water.
- Enhanced fire safety capabilities.
- Implementation of bushfire management strategies as outlined in the EMP.

