

# State Emergency Service **Media Release**



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## **SES urges caution as storm activity continues**

Since Midnight the SA State Emergency Service (SES) has responded to more than 220 jobs across South Australia resulting from the current storm event.

SES Volunteers with support from SA Country Fire Service and the Metropolitan Fire Service have undertaken tree clearing and assisted with securing roofs.

State Duty Officer Mike Baker says the community should be prepared for further storm activity in the coming hours.

“If safe to do so, secure garden equipment, trampolines and any other loose items which have potential to become projectiles,” he said.

“It is important to be mindful when driving on the road that many trees are currently down or may fall during the storm and people should drive to the conditions.

“Should the public need SES assistance the number to call is 132 500 and should be done in the event of a tree falling on structure or stopping access.

“Triple Zero should be called in the event of a life threatening situation.”

Up-to-date warnings and further information on the expected weather can be found on the BOM website [www.bom.gov.au](http://www.bom.gov.au)

During severe weather, the SES advises the following precautions:

- ensure loose items such as outdoor furniture, garden tools and children’s play equipment (such as trampolines and cubby houses) are put away or secured
- park vehicles undercover and well away from trees
- stay indoors and away from windows and skylights when weather conditions are severe
- stay away from fallen powerlines. Always assume fallen powerlines are live – they should be reported to SA Power Networks on 13 13 66
- never walk, ride or drive through floodwaters
- shelter and secure pets and other animals, and
- check weather forecasts regularly and listen to local radio for updates.

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