

State Emergency Service

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BOM issues severe weather warning for damaging winds for Mount Lofty Ranges

The State Emergency Service (SES) advises that the Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) has issued a severe weather warning today for damaging winds for the Mount Lofty Ranges.

The warning, issued at 12.37pm, advises that damaging winds averaging 60-70km/h, with peak gusts to 90 km/h, are forecast in the warning area in the next couple of hours.

Locations along western parts of the Fleurieu Peninsula may be affected.

Winds averaging 76km/h have been recorded at Sellicks Hill earlier today, with a peak gust of 95km/h.

Up-to-date warnings and further information on the expected weather can be found on the BOM website 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 a battery-powered radio for updates.

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