

State Emergency Service

# Media Release



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## Severe thunderstorm warning issued by BoM

The State Emergency Service (SES) advises that the Bureau of Meteorology (BoM) has issued a severe weather warning today for damaging winds for a number of South Australian districts.

The warning, issued at 12.49pm today, is for people living in the Adelaide Metropolitan, Mount Lofty Ranges, West Coast, Lower Eyre Peninsula, Eastern Eyre Peninsula, Yorke Peninsula, Flinders, Mid North, Riverland, Murraylands, Upper South East, Lower South East and parts of the North West Pastoral and North East Pastoral districts.

The warning advises that severe thunderstorms are likely to develop and produce damaging wind gusts of 90 to 120 km/h in the warning area over the next several hours.

Locations which may be affected include the Adelaide metropolitan area and the Mount Lofty Ranges, Port Lincoln, Whyalla, Renmark, Mount Gambier and Ceduna.

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 a battery-powered radio for updates.

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