

State Emergency Service

# Media Release



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## BoM issues severe weather warning for six districts

The State Emergency Service (SES) advises that the Bureau of Meteorology (BoM) has issued a severe weather warning for damaging winds and heavy rainfall in six South Australian districts, including Adelaide Metropolitan and Mount Lofty Ranges.

Other districts which may be affected are Lower Eyre Peninsula, Yorke Peninsula, Kangaroo Island and Mid North.

The warning, issued at 9.37 am today, advises that a front with showers and isolated thunderstorms is currently moving across Kangaroo Island and is expected to reach the Adelaide area around 11 am to midday, with a vigorous west to southwesterly airstream to follow.

Localised damaging winds with gusts in excess of 90 kilometres per hour are possible with and following the passage of the front, mostly with showers or thunderstorms.

Localised heavy rain is also possible in parts of Adelaide, the Mount Lofty Ranges and Mid North from about 11 am as the front moves through. This may lead to localised flashflooding.

Locations which may be affected include Adelaide, Port Lincoln, Maitland, Kingscote and Clare.

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
- be aware of the risk of high seas in and around jetties
- 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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