



Bushfires

You can help find fire-injured wildlife

After a bushfire, many wildlife will be affected but you may not be able to directly see the damage done to these poor creatures. They may be suffering burns to their feet and/or tails that cannot be seen, or they may be suffering the many other types of injuries caused by fires such as smoke inhalation, dehydration and starvation.

Injured wildlife can be found months after the fire has passed.

Minor injuries can result in infection and death if left untreated. Injured wildlife may be coming onto your property for food, water or shelter.

Have you noticed wildlife displaying the following?

- Wildlife easier to approach than normal?
- Do animals appear lethargic?
- Do kangaroos not move away when approached?
- Do animals move slowly or appear to be in pain?
- Have you seen koalas on the ground?
- Have you seen possums or wombats out in daylight?

Should you find wildlife in need of help please call 03 8400 7300 or log the details online at www.wildlifelifevictoria.org.au. Our emergency response operators will assist you in getting help to that animal.



We hope that by increasing your understanding and awareness of our beautiful wildlife, you feel empowered to deal with wildlife situations confidently in an informed, safe and appropriate manner. For support at any time, please call our emergency response service for advice on **03 8400 7300** or report the details on our website: www.wildlifelifevictoria.org.au.