Gas Standards and Safety

Fact Sheet

NATURAL GAS INSTALLATIONS AND BUSHFIRES

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If a bushfire approaches your property and Natural Gas (NG) is connected, if it is safe to do so, you should turn off the gas at the point of supply. Turning off the gas at the point of supply will stop gas flowing into your property’s gas pipes.

Familiarise yourself with where your gas meter is located. If you don’t know where your gas meter is, contact your gas supplier.

If you move into new premises that has a natural gas supply, or if you have a new natural gas supply connected to your existing residence, it’s imperative that you locate your gas meter and know how to turn off the gas supply.

HOW TO TURN OFF YOUR NATURAL GAS SUPPLY

1. Turn off any burners you may have alight.

2. Locate your gas meter. The meter is usually located at the front, front left or front right side of your property.

3. The gas supply isolating point is a valve located on the inlet (left) side of the gas meter assembly. The valve has a quarter turn action.

4. Turn the gas supply isolating valve to the “OFF” position. The valve is off when the handle is at right angles to the pipe.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU CAN’T TURN OFF THE GAS

If you are unable to turn off the gas supply, if it’s appropriate to do so, advise the emergency services personnel and follow their directions.
AFTER A BUSHFIRE

After a bushfire do not turn on the gas supply without first consulting with a gasfitter, your natural gas supplier or gas authority!

MORE INFORMATION

For further information please contact Building Standards and Occupational Licensing, Gas Standards and Safety unit on 1300 366 322