

Extreme Heat Policy

Purpose

This policy has been adopted by U3A Kyneton to minimise health and safety risks to Special Interest Group (SIG) leaders and participating members due to exposure to extreme heat.

All outdoor activities including SIGs, exercise groups, field trips and excursions must be cancelled in the following circumstances:-

- **Days of Total Fire Ban regardless of temperature**
- **When the temperature is predicted to be above 34°C where the activity is to take place**

Procedures

SIG leaders and members are to be made aware of this policy which will form part of SIG Leaders Guidelines, be posted on the U3AK website, noted in Newsletters and Emailed to all SIG leaders individually.

The policy is to be publicised widely in November of each year.

Responsibilities

Members are encouraged to take responsibility for their own welfare and be aware of predicted high temperatures.

Where possible, SIG leaders will contact group participants and advise that an activity will not take place due to extreme heat or fire danger.

Predicted local temperatures can be found:

- on local radio FM91.1
- on the Bureau of Meteorology website:
<http://www.bom.gov.au/vic>

Related documents

Risk Management Policy
SIG Leaders Guidelines
U3AK Incident Form
Guidelines for U3AK Outdoor Activities

Authorisation

This Policy was adopted by the Committee of Management of U3AK and minuted as such on 11 April 2016