

AusAlert: What I need to know

What is AusAlert?

AusAlert is the new way the Australian government will send emergency warnings to your device. It will be used to warn you about natural disasters like bushfires, floods and other emergencies near you. AusAlert will start in October 2026.

In July 2026 everyone in Australia will receive a test AusAlert. All compatible mobile phones, tablets and smart watches will get an alert.

What will the alert look like?

The alert uses a loud 10 second siren, vibration and a message.



This is an example of what the test AusAlert will look like in July.

Getting ready for the alert

If you get an AusAlert read the message slowly, follow the instructions and ask for help if you need it!