

There has been some important changes for the tree hazard management system used by Victorian Emergency Services for this 2021/22 fire season.

What's New?

JSOP 08.03 – Tree Hazard Fire was recently updated and approved by the Emergency Management Commissioner and the other emergency agency Chiefs. The changes are effective from 1st November 2021.

The symbols used to mark and identify hazard trees on the fireground are changing to align with AFAC's National Standard. These new marking symbols will establish consistency between jurisdictions and help avoid interstate and cross border confusion at incidents.

Updated Tree Hazard Awareness Training Courses (Action required)

An important online training course has been established to help inform and retrain our people about these changes. All fireline staff and external contractors are required to complete this refresher training and we ask that you prioritise this as part of your preparations for the 2021/22 fire season. This course takes approximately 30 minutes to complete.

Please Note: Prior to the change in the JSOP contractors were directed to complete Basic Wildfire Awareness (BWA) **only** and advised that BWA contained a tree hazard awareness component. **This has now changed**, all contractors will have to enrol in the separate **Tree Hazard Awareness Update** and if required BWA, your employer will advise if you need to complete BWA.

How to Enrol in the Tree Hazard Awareness Update Course

For further information on accessing LaDIS and enrolling in the Tree Hazard Awareness Course, see our [external user page](#)

FAQ:

Who Needs to Complete the Tree Hazard Awareness Update?

All external contractors must complete the Tree Hazard Awareness Update as preparation for the 21/22 fire season.

I have already completed Basic Wildfire Awareness in preparation for this season, do I still need to complete the Tree Hazard Awareness Update?

Yes, you will have to complete the additional Tree Hazard Awareness Update.

I need to complete Basic Wildfire Awareness, do I still have to do the separate Tree Hazard Awareness Update?

Yes, all contractors will need to complete the separate Tree Hazard Awareness Update.

I have previously completed the Tree Hazard Awareness Online Course, do I still have to do the Tree Hazard Awareness Update?

Yes as the course has been updated with new information in line with JSOP 08.03 as of 1st of October 2021.

Where do I go if I am having difficulty logging into LaDIS?

If you are unsure whether you have a LaDIS account, or are experiencing any difficulties logging into LaDIS, [Contact FFM Support](#).