

Scott's Landing Citizens Response Group (CRG)

EMERGENCY WATER & TOILET

Water

In the event of an emergency, people located in Scott's Landing will need access to clean water for drinking and water for cooking and hygiene purposes. We all have water tanks or bores however getting water may be problematic. Also, we may need to look after the people who aren't from your community, those who don't have enough, or those who cannot access water.

Fergusson House, Bailey Cottage and Scott House all have water tanks installed. Fergusson House will be our emergency location, meeting point and communication hub. This is our area Civil Defence Emergency reporting station. During an emergency peoples' welfare will be managed from Fergusson House. There is a stock of water purification product (Calcium Hypochlorite) for treating water. Our stock will treat about 20,000 litres, sufficient for our community to get through the first few days at least.

Treat any non-bottled water. Boil it if you can, if you can't, use bleach to treat. Chemical pollution is not removed by boiling water or adding bleach. You can use swimming pool water for washing, but don't drink it.

Making a TEMPORARY TOILET

- Line a bucket or rubbish bin with a strong, leak-proof plastic bag.
- Put half a cup of liquid bleach in the bag.
- Make a seat from 2 planks of wood or use a toilet seat on top of the container.
- Keep the bin completely covered when not in use, to prevent attracting flies.
- Tie the top of the bag firmly when full and place it inside another bag.
- Dig a hole well away and downhill from any water source and bury the bag.
- Make sure the bag is well covered with dirt.
- Wash your hands thoroughly after going to the toilet or handling human waste.

Making a LONG DROP TOILET

- Dig a hole up to 1 metre deep well away from the vegetable garden and any water source.
- Make a seat out of planks of wood.
- Cover the waste properly with dirt after each use.
- Throw in a little garden lime, insecticide or disinfectant to reduce smells and flies.
- Use the long-drop until it is full to within 300 mm of ground level.
- Cover completely with soil and dig a new long-drop.
- Wash your hands thoroughly after going to the toilet or handling human waste.