



## **National Emergency (2022 New South Wales Floods) Declaration 2022**

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I, General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Retd), Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, make the following declaration.

Dated 11 March 2022

David Hurley  
Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command

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Attorney-General

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## 1 Name

This instrument is the *National Emergency (2022 New South Wales Floods) Declaration 2022*.

## 2 Commencement

- (1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

Commencement information		
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provisions	Commencement	Date/Details
1. The whole of this instrument	Immediately after this instrument is registered.	10.25 pm (A.C.T.) 11 March 2022

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

- (2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

## 3 Authority

This instrument is made under section 11 of the *National Emergency Declaration Act 2020*.

## 4 Emergency to which this instrument relates

This instrument relates to the 2022 New South Wales floods.

## 5 Nature of the emergency and circumstances that gave rise to it

- (1) The 2022 New South Wales floods involve widespread flooding that is currently severely impacting significant areas of New South Wales.
- (2) In particular, the floods:
- are posing a severe and immediate threat to the life and health of individuals within those areas; and
  - are causing harm to animal and plant life in those areas; and
  - are causing extensive damage to property, including infrastructure, in those areas; and
  - are causing harm to the environment; and
  - are causing significant disruptions to essential services in those areas; and
  - are having a significant national impact because of their scale and consequences.

## Section 6

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### **6 Period during which this instrument is in force**

This declaration is in force during the period:

- (a) beginning when this instrument commences; and
- (b) ending 3 months after that commencement.