## WHEN TOLD TO EVACUATE

## When told to evacuate, or if you decide to evacuate prior to being asked, follow the below checklist:

Check the storm tide and riverine fllod inundation maps included in this booklet to see what colour zone/s your place of residence corresponds with. NOTE: Your location may be featured in more than one coloured zone map (eg if you are in the storm tide inundation red zone, then you are also in the orange, brown, yellow and blue zones)

Help friends and neighbours, particularly the elderly, deaf and blind by passing on the warnings and their meaning

Find friends and relatives in high places who are outside of evacuation zones

Take your prepared Evacuation Kit (including your Emergency Kit and First Aid Kit) with you

Switch off electricity, gas, water and hot water system

Dress appropriately (eg jeans, jumper, strong footwear and a raincoat)

Load your car quickly

Lock up your house

Listen to your radio at all times

Do not ignore warnings or advice

Household pets should be taken to your predetermined location along with your Pet Emergency Kit (including food and water)

Drive to your pre-arranged location, and register with Register. Find. Reunite (at register.redcross.org.au, an Australian Red Cross and Commonwealth initiative)

Inform friends and relatives of your movements

Continue to tune in to warnings

## HANDY TIP

- Remember to remain calm, act quickly and beware of hazards, such as fallen powerlines
- For a complete list of Get Ready disaster preparedness checklists visit mackay.qld.gov.au/emergency
- Checklists include: Prepare Your Emergency Plan, Prepare for Evacuation, Emergency Kit, Prepare Your Home, Tune in to Warnings, Check Your Neighbours and a Pet Emergency Plan

## **REGISTER. FIND. REUNITE.**

The Australian Red Cross has established a Register. Find. Reunite. website at register **redcross.org.au** and national telephone number (which will be broadcast at the time) to reunite friends and family during a disaster.