

CHECKLIST | WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS

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Wildfires can be particularly dangerous for property owners, as just one fire can spread quickly and level entire homes. As such, it's important for property owners of all sizes to be proactive when it comes to fire protection.

PREVENT THE SPREAD OF A FIRE	
Keep the area 30 feet around your home clear of highly flammable plants and debris.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Regularly remove dry leaves and sticks from your yard and gutters.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Keep grass cut short.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Create a buffer of at least 10 feet between your potential sources of fuel wherever possible.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Remove dead plants and trees.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prune any tree branches within 6 feet of the ground.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Consider installing noncombustible roof coverings. This can include things like clay and concrete tile, slate, fiber cement, and metal shingles and panels. Also, consider using aluminum, steel or copper gutters.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Place fire extinguishers in strategic locations. Inspect these fire extinguishers on a regular basis and ensure they are well-maintained.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ensure water outlets and hoses are insulated so they do not freeze in the winter.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Keep woodpiles away from your home.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Make sure your chimney is up to current building code requirements and includes spark arrestors.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Keep burn barrels and fire pits away from buildings and at least 10 feet away from woodpiles and other materials that may catch fire.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Keep burn barrels properly ventilated, covered with a screen and never unattended.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clear vegetation from possible sources of fuel such as propane tanks and power lines.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Keep an eye on your local news and official fire announcements to help keep track of wildfires.	<input type="checkbox"/>