# READY, SET, GO!



Preparing
Today for
Tomorrow's
Emergencies

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- **1. READY** Get Ready by preparing yourself, your family, and your property before a wildland fire strikes.
- **2. SET** Get Set By Putting your plan into action.
- **3. GO** Go early when a wildfire strikes

Wildfire
Action Plan:
Saving Lives
and Property
through
Advance
Planning.

The ability of your home to survive a wildfire depends on its construction materials and the quality of the "defensible space" surrounding it well before a wildland fire strikes.

- Clear pine needles, leaves and other debris from your roof and gutters
- Cut any tree branches within ten feet of your roof
- Build or re-roof with fire resistant materials



**Eaves:** Embers gather under open eaves and ignite exposed wood or other combustible material.

 Install non-combustible boxed in eaves to prevent accumulation of embers

**Vents:** They are particularly vulnerable to flying embers. Embers can enter the attic or other concealed space and ignite combustible materials.

- All vent openings should be covered with 1/8 inch or smaller metal mesh.
- Do not use fiberblass or plastic mesh because they can melt and burn.





**Walls:** Wood products, such as boards, panels or shingles are common siding materials. However, they are combustible and not a good choice for fire-prone areas.

 Build or remodel with fire-resistant building materials, such as brick, cement, masonry or stucco. Extend material from foundation to roof

Windows: Heat from a wildfire can cause windows to break even before the home ignites. Single-paned and large windows are particularly vulnerable.

- Install dual-paned with the exterior pane of tempered glass windows
- Limit the size and number of windows in your home that face large areas of vegetation.





**Decks & Patio Covers:** Use heavy timber or non-flammable construction material for decks and patio covers.

- Enclose the underside of balconies and decks with fire-resistant materials to prevent embers from blowing underneath, lodging and starting a fire.
- Keep you deck clear of combustible items, such as baskets, dried flower arrangements and other debris.





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- Enter information that is most important to you. Options include: contact information, function needs, pet information, access & utilities, household information, & emergency contact information.
- Update your information when things change over time. Information is available immediately and can be viewed at the time of an emergency

#### Create An Account



### Get Set

- Gather up flammable items from the exterior of house and bring them inside (patio furniture, children's' toys, doormats, etc.)
- Turn off propane tanks
- Don't leave sprinklers on or water running—they can waste critical water pressure
- Leave exterior lights on
- Back your car into the garage. Shut doors and roll up windows
- Seal attic and ground vents with commercial seals
- Have your emergency supply kit and all important documents packed and ready to go
- Be sure to keep your pets with you and ready to evacuate

#### Get Your Outdoor Checklist.



### **Get Set**

- Shut all windows and doors, leaving them unlocked
- Remove flammable window shades and curtains
- Move flammable furniture to the center of the room, away from doors and windows
- Shut off gas at the meter and turn off pilot lights
- Leave your lights on so firefighter can see your house under smoky conditions
- Shut off the air conditioning

#### Get Your Indoor Checklist.



## Go!

By leaving early, you will give your family the best chance of surviving a wildfire. You also help firefighter by keeping roads clear of congestion, enabling them to move more freely and do their job.

Leave early enough to avoid being caught in fire, smoke, or road congestion. Don't wait to be told by authorities to leave. In an intense wildfire, they may not have time to knock on every door. If you are advised to leave, don't hesitate!

Leave to a predetermined location. It should be a low-risk area, such as a Red Cross shelter, evacuation center or motel.

#### Go Early



