

READY, SET, GO!

WILDFIRE READINESS



READY: CREATE A DEFENSIBLE SPACE

Creating and maintaining defensible space is essential for increasing your home's chance of surviving a wildfire. Below are some steps you can take to protect your home and property.

- Make sure your address is clearly visible from the road
- Remove all dead and dying vegetation from your property
- Remove dead or dry leaves and pine needles from your yard, roof and rain gutters
- Trim trees regularly to keep branches a minimum of 10 feet from other trees
- Remove dead branches that hang over your roof and keep branches 10 feet from your chimney
- Keep woodpiles completely covered in a fire resistant material, such as fire retardant polyethylene or fire retardant vinyl coated tarps, if located less than 30 feet from your home
- Remove or prune flammable trees, plants and shrubs near windows
- Cover all vent openings with 1/8-inch to 1/4-inch metal mesh
- Create an ember resistant zone around and under all decks and make sure that all combustible items are removed from around and underneath your deck
- Create a separation between trees, shrubs and items that could catch fire, such as patio furniture, swing sets, sheds, etc.
- Keep 100 feet of defensible space around your home
- Pay special attention to the 5 feet immediately around your home. This area should be designed and maintained to keep fire or embers from igniting materials in this area and spreading fire to your home

SET: CREATE A THREE DAY EMERGENCY SUPPLY KIT

Below are some recommended items to keep inside your kit

- Gather non-perishable food and three gallons of water per person
- First Aid Kit
- Prescriptions
- Change of clothing for each member of the household
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- Battery-powered radio with batteries/solar/or crank
- Sanitation supplies
- Copies of important documents (birth certificates, passports, I.D., insurance policies, family physicians, etc.)
- Sleeping bag or warm blankets for each person in your household
- Phone charger and charger for your vehicle
- Cash-at least \$200
- Dust masks/disposable face masks
- Extra pair of glasses or hearing aids and batteries
- Waterproof matches
- Special items for infants, elderly, disabled persons and pets (diapers, formula, bottles, insulin, contact lenses and denture needs)
- Basic tools and a wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
- Don't forget pet food, water and an animal crate for your pets
- Have & keep a kit in your car

YOUR WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN CHECKLIST

- ___ Create a designated emergency meeting location for your family
- ___ Have several different escape routes from your home and community, practice these often so everyone in your family is familiar in case of emergency
- ___ Have an evacuation plan for your family and pets and supplies for pets and large animals
- ___ Create a family communication plan that designates an out-of-area friend or relative as a point of contact in case you get separated from your family
- ___ Ensure that your family knows where your gas, electric, and water main shut-off controls are located and how to safely shut them down in case of emergency
- ___ Assemble an emergency supply kit

YOUR FAMILY COMMUNICATION PLAN

Fill out this page and keep it easily accessible so it can be found by everyone in your household.

When we evacuate, we will meet at: _____

Out-of-area emergency contact person:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Home #: _____ Cell #: _____

E-mail: _____

Other important numbers:

Other: _____ Other: _____

GO: WHEN TO EVACUATE

Leave as soon as an evacuation is recommended by fire or police to avoid being caught in fire, smoke or road congestion. Don't wait to be ordered by authorities to leave. Evacuating early helps firefighters and police to keep roads clear and lets them move more freely to do their jobs. In an intense wildfire emergency responders may not have time to knock on every door. If you are advised to leave, don't hesitate.

- Watch and listen for phone calls & text messages from Nixle and Alert Solano
- Officials will determine the areas to be evacuated and escape routes to use depending on the fire's location, behavior, winds, terrain, etc.
- You will be advised of the potential evacuations as early as possible. You must take the initiative to stay informed and aware. Listen and watch your radio/TV/phones about announcements from law enforcement and emergency personnel about evacuations
- You may be directed to temporary assembly areas to await transfer to a safe location

Fire Admin: (707)-449-5452

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