



MAKING YOUR HOME WILDFIRE READY!

Preventing brushfires is a year-round responsibility of all fire district property owners. Use the following guidelines to survey your property and make improvements before the next wildfire strikes.

Rancho Santa Fe FPD vegetation management/hazard removal requirements can be found in their entirety in Ordinance 04-03. This document is available to view at www.rsf-fire.org.

- Create 100 feet of DEFENSIBLE SPACE surrounding your structure. Plant drought-tolerant, fire-resistive trees, shrubs and plants within the first 50 feet of the structure. Fire-resistive tree and plant lists are available on the district's website. The next 50 feet of vegetation should be thinned out 50% and all dead plant material should be removed.
- Thin out and remove combustible native vegetation and flammable materials within 30-feet of roadways and driveways (measure out 30-feet on both sides of the roadway). If desired re-plant with fire-resistive landscaping that is permanently irrigated.
- In the above mentioned 100-foot and 30-foot areas, weeds and grasses must be cut below 6-inches in height.
- All dead, dying, or diseased trees must be removed. Native vegetation and tree branches must be trimmed back at least 10-feet from rooftops, chimneys and outdoor barbecues.
- All roadways shall have a minimum height of 13-feet, 6-inches of vertical clearance free of vegetation within the roadway area.
- Regularly remove combustible debris (leaves, pine needles, etc.) from rooftops and rain gutters.
- Dispose of yard clippings, plant waste, trash, debris and other combustible materials in an appropriate manner. NO ILLEGAL DUMPING.
- Combustible materials must be kept at least 10-feet away from propane (LPG) tanks. Firewood shall be neatly stacked and have a minimum of 30-feet of clearance around the entire firewood stack.
- A numerical address must be prominently displayed from the street. Address must be at least 4-inches in height and mounted on a contrasting background. Lot numbers are not appropriate.
- If applicable, private gates must be equipped with an approved fire district gate access switch or strobe sensor. A Knox switch application may be obtained at the Fire District headquarters.

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