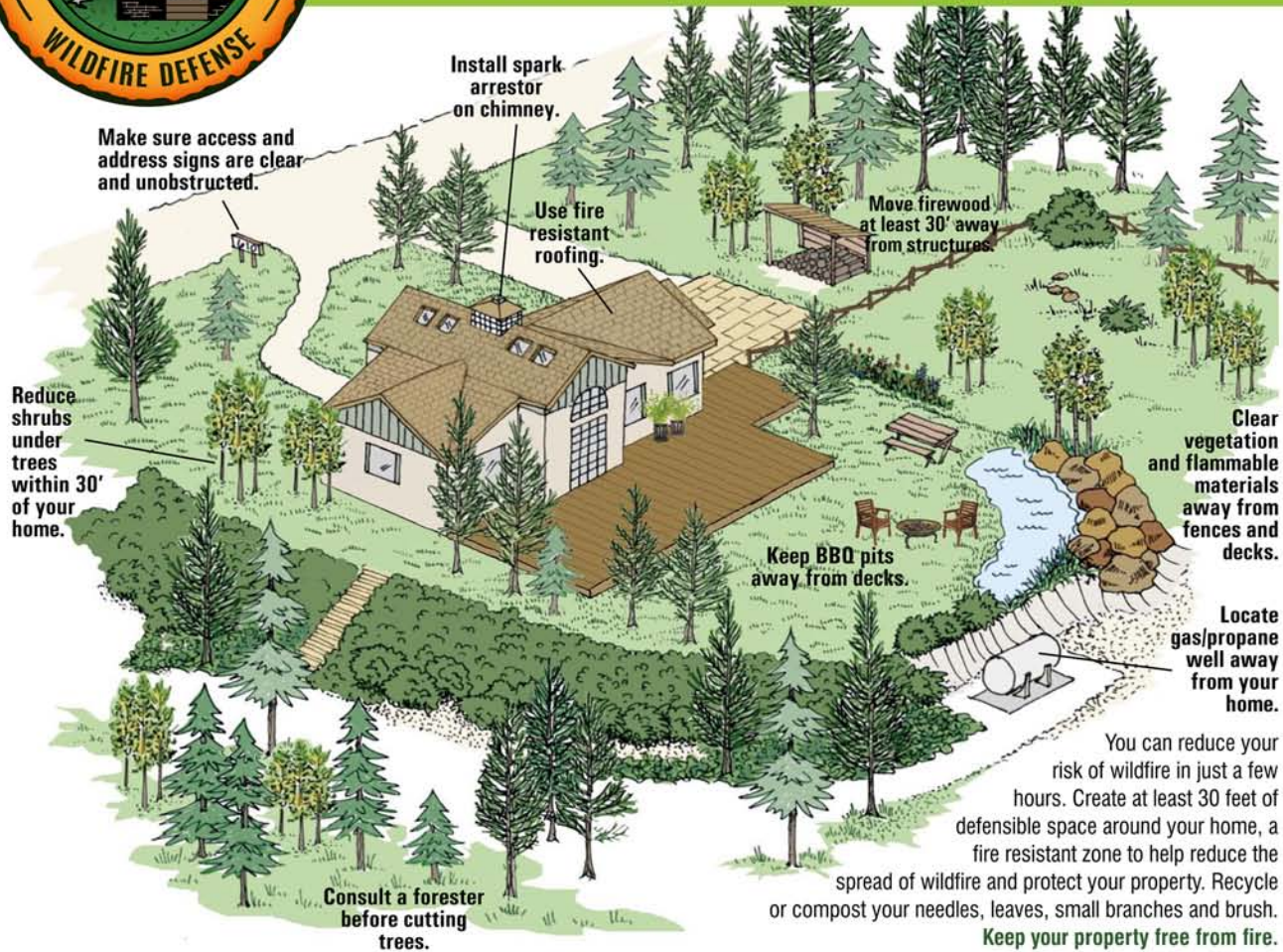




It's quick. It's simple. It's everyone's responsibility.

Wildfires strike quickly and without warning. Keep this poster and use these Ten Tips to keep your home free from fire. Protect Your Zone. Protect Your Own.



You can reduce your risk of wildfire in just a few hours. Create at least 30 feet of defensible space around your home, a fire resistant zone to help reduce the spread of wildfire and protect your property. Recycle or compost your needles, leaves, small branches and brush. Keep your property free from fire.

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1	Define your defensible space.	Create a 30 foot zone of fire-resistant space around your home to prevent fires from starting near or spreading to your home.	
2	Remove flammable vegetation and brush around your home.	Juniper, Bitterbrush and Manzanita are highly flammable. Replace them with fire-resistant shrubs like Vine Maple and Lilac.	
3	Reduce shrubs under nearby trees.	Prune shrubs and low hanging branches from the ground to eliminate "ladder fuels".	
4	Keep grass and weeds cut low.	Trim grass and weeds to less than 4" to prevent rapid spread of fire and high flames.	
5	Clear wood piles and building materials away from your home.	Keep burnable materials at least 30 feet from your home and outbuildings. Clear all brush at least 10 feet away from wood piles and debris piles.	
6	Keep your yard and roof clean.	Clear pine needles, leaves and debris from your yard, roof and gutters to eliminate ignition sources. Remove overhanging and dead limbs.	
7	Keep address signs visible for easy access.	Post easy-to-read address signs and trim vegetation away from driveways, so firefighters can find and access your home quickly.	
8	Choose fire resistant roofing materials.	Use fire-resistant materials like composition shingles, metal or tile roofing. Install spark arrestors on chimneys to prevent sparks from igniting roof or surrounding vegetation.	
9	Use alternatives to burning debris.	Instead of burning, recycle or compost your yard waste.	
10	Be prepared to respond to wildfire.	Keep a 72-hour kit handy. Know evacuation routes from your neighborhood and practice with your family, using a checklist of what to take and how to prepare your home before leaving.	

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