Together we can help make your home Fire Safe and Defensible

In an effort to ensure the maximum level of wildfire preparedness, San Bernardino County Fire Department conducts FREE engine company residential assessments in rural areas that have high risk for wildfire.

Step 1
Fire Safe Checklist

☐ Address clearly visible from street (4” tall min. on contrasting background).

☐ Weeds and grasses need to be cut to 4” or less, 100 ft around structures and 10 feet from roadsides.

☐ Within 100 ft (or property border) all trees over 12 ft have all foliage and limbs removed 6 ft above ground.

☐ Tree trimmings and brush (in piles) on the ground, branches less than 4” in diameter, and leaves or shrub trimmings must be removed.

☐ Combustible (flammable) debris must be completely removed from all areas of your property.

☐ Pine needles over 2” in depth must be removed from all areas of the property.

☐ Clear chimney area of vegetation within 10’. Spark arrestor of 1/2 inch mesh required.

☐ Remove dead trees completely.

☐ Prune and/or remove shrubs to provide separation from ground and each other.

Step 2
Complete Defensible Space

Step 3
Prepare Your Family

- Create a Family Disaster Plan that includes meeting locations and communication plans and rehearse it regularly. Include in your plan the evacuation of pets and large animals.

- Plan several different evacuation routes. Designate an emergency meeting location outside fire hazard area.

- Appoint an out-of-area friend or relative as a point of contact so you can communicate with family members who have relocated.

- Maintain a list of emergency contact numbers posted near your phone and in your emergency supply kit.

- Keep an extra emergency supply kit in your car in case you can’t get to your home because of fire.

Additional Resources

For more information about making your home Fire Safe, call the Office of the Fire Marshal at (909) 386-8400. Visit our website at www.sbcfire.org and click on the Residential Assessment Program (RAP) link: www.sbcfire.org

Additional information on wildfire prevention, legal outdoor fires and other helpful links are available at: countyfirerap@sbcfire.org

Please email us at countyfirerap@sbcfire.org to schedule an appointment and seek information about RAP.

For more information: (909) 386-8400 or visit www.sbcfire.org