



LIVE WILDFIRE READY

PREPARE YOUR HOME AND PROPERTY FOR WILDFIRE

Wildfire is a part of nature in Colorado. Grasses, shrubs and trees provide fuel for wildfires. If your home is located in or near the natural vegetation of Colorado's grasslands, shrublands, foothills or mountains, you live in the wildland-urban interface (WUI) and are at risk from a wildfire. If you live in the WUI, take action to prepare your home and property.

Start living wildfire ready with these simple, practical, low-cost actions.

- Regularly clear leaves, pine needles and other debris from your deck, roof and gutters.
- Rake and remove pine needles and leaves 5 feet from your home.
- Store firewood at least 30 feet from your home, preferably uphill, and never on or under your deck.
- Move items under your deck or porch to a storage area.
- Prune branches hanging over your roof and within 10 feet of your chimney.
- Remove flammable material within 6 vertical inches of your home's siding.
- Mow grasses to 4 inches or less within 30 feet of your home.
- Clear brush, shrubs and other plants within 10 feet of propane tanks and gas meters.
- Screen attic, roof, eaves and foundation vents and wall-in areas below decks and stilt foundations with 1/8-inch metal mesh.

The more you do to prepare and plan ahead, the more likely your home will survive a wildfire.



To learn more, consult a local natural resource professional, fire department or organization trained in wildfire mitigation practices where you live, or visit LiveWildfireReady.org.

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