

Tips to FireSmart Your Home

Taking action to FireSmart your property will dramatically decrease the risk of wildfire damaging your home. The best part is, it's surprisingly easy to do.



Clean under your stairs to remove any combustible material. Establish a 1.5 metre non-combustible zone around the perimeter of the house and deck.



Clean and maintain gutters and roofs. Keep decks and balconies clear of leaves and debris.



Keep grass and weeds cut below 10 centimetres and remove flammable vegetation.



Have a wildfire evacuation plan and make sure everyone in your household knows what to do.



Download the [FireSmart home assessment](#) and do a self-assessment of your home and property.



Hold sheds and other structures (such as watersheds) to the same standard as your home.



Add non-combustible 3 millimetre screens to external vents (except dryer vents).



Woodpiles and other combustible materials (eg. stored vehicles) more than 10-30 metres from home.



Prune trees to create a two-meter clearance from the ground to the lowest branches.



Any combustible fuel source (propane, oil, gas) should be stored on a non-combustible surface.



Learn more at [FireSmartBC.ca](https://www.firesmartbc.ca)