

Home Hardening Self-Assessment

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Make efforts to increase your home or structure's chances of survival when wildfire strikes. A "chimney to foundation" approach that includes easy, small steps to harden (prepare) your home can make all the difference!

* Design Committee approval may be required. Contact SROA's Community Development department for information.



Roofs and Gutters

- Roofs and gutters have been cleared of pine needles and leaves
- Roof shingles or tiles are in good condition
- Any open spaces between the roof and sheathing have been plugged or covered
- * The home has a Class-A-rated roof

Chimney

- * A spark arrestor has been installed to county code
- The fireplace flue is closed when the chimney is not in use

Vents

- Gable, eave, soffit, and foundation vents are covered with 1/16 to 1/8-inch corrosion resistant metal mesh screening
- Foundation vents are ember and flame-resistant

Siding

- * The house siding is non-combustible
- All gaps greater than 1/8 inch are covered or plugged
- There is at least 6 inches of separation between the ground and bottom of siding

Windows

- * Dual paned, tempered glass windows have been installed
- * Frames and screens are made of materials that do not melt
- Windows and skylights are closed before leaving the house for extended periods of time

Decks

- Pine needles and debris are cleared from decks regularly
- Areas around and underneath decks are clear of combustible materials such as lumber, wooden furniture, cushions, etc.
- * The deck is made of ignition resistant material

Outdoor Furniture and Accessories

- All of the outdoor furniture is made with non-combustible materials
- Seat cushions, doormats, brooms, and other flammable items are removed and stored indoors or in weather sealed storage space such as the garage before leaving the house for extended periods of time

Garage and Exterior Doors

- All doors have intact weather stripping
- All doors seal well
- A battery back-up for the garage door opener motor has been installed
- Windows and vents in the garage are treated the same way as the windows and vents for the house
- Combustible and flammable materials are stored away from any ignition source

Carpports

- All combustible materials have been removed, stored inside, or in a weather sealed storage space

Other

- * House number is of contrasting color, in view under a light source and/or on a post at the lane
- All walkways/entrances to the house are clear for emergency crews
- * All trash is in a securely sealed container stored within a fully sealed enclosure or garage

Want to know more about creating defensible space on your property? Visit www.sunriverowners.org for information about:

- Ladder Fuels Self-Assessment
- Wildfire Property Preparedness
- Sunriver Ladder Fuels Reduction Plan
- SROA Design Committee Manual of Rules & Procedures



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