

# Ready, Set, Go!

In California, wildfires are not a matter of "if" but "when". Stay safe with this 3-step wildfire preparation plan.

Living near California's natural areas means facing a higher chance of wildfires. Knowing how to prepare is key to keeping your home and family safe.

# **Get ready**

Get ready for wildfires by hardening your home and shaping a safety zone around it.



#### Harden your home

To keep your home safe from wildfires, focus on three things: stopping flames from touching your home, protecting it from heat, and blocking flying embers. These steps form the first line of defense against wildfires.



# <u>Create defensible space</u>

Create a defensible space around your home as a vital barrier against wildfires. This area, free from flammable materials and vegetation, significantly lowers the risk of fire reaching your property.





## Select fire-resistant plants

Incorporate fire-resistant plants in your landscaping to enhance your home's wildfire defense. These plants, less prone to ignition, add an extra layer of safety while keeping your garden looking good.

#### **Get set**

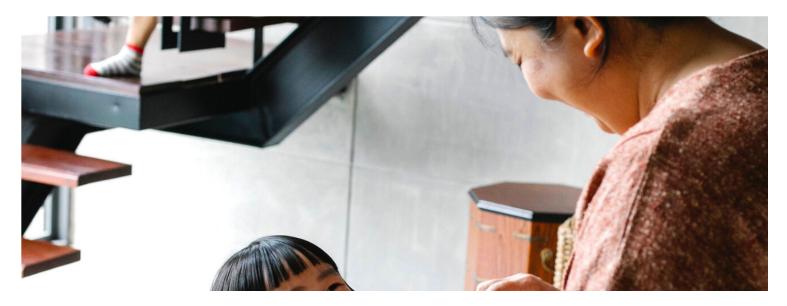
Get set for wildfires by preparing both your home and family for potential evacuation.





## **Build a Wildfire Action Plan**

Develop a comprehensive wildfire action plan, detailing evacuation routes, emergency contacts, and safety procedures. Ensure every family member understands and can implement this plan swiftly in case of a wildfire threat.





## Prepare your family

Craft a family-specific evacuation plan, addressing the needs of all members, including children and pets. Regularly practice this plan to ensure everyone can evacuate quickly and safely during a wildfire emergency.





## Pack your 'Go Bag'

Prepare an emergency 'Go Bag' for each family member, filled with necessary supplies for survival during a wildfire evacuation. Include essentials like water, food, medications, and important documents for immediate access.

#### Go!

Increase your chances of survival by being ready to go at a moment's notice.



#### Follow the evacuation guide

Follow our structured evacuation guide when a wildfire necessitates immediate departure. This guide provides steps for securing your home and ensuring a safe, orderly evacuation for your entire family.



#### Get your home ready

If time allows before evacuation, complete critical steps to safeguard your home against wildfires. These include shutting off gas, securing windows, and removing

flammable items to improve your home's chances against fires.



#### **Protect your animals**

Plan for the safety of your pets and farm animals as part of your wildfire preparedness. This includes arranging safe evacuation options and preparing emergency supplies for them, safeguarding their wellbeing in a crisis.

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