



Before, During, and After: Wildfire Emergency Evacuation Checklist

Post this where the whole family can see it.

Take a photo with your phone. And be prepared when fire strikes.

→ Before You Evacuate

If time allows, do this to help firefighters protect your property:

- Turn on all lights inside and outside your home so it's more visible in smoky conditions
- Close all windows, doors, vents, and fireplace screens to reduce drafts and radiant heat
- Disconnect your automatic garage door opener so the door can be opened by hand
- Remove curtains and other window treatments
- Move indoor and outdoor flammable furniture to the center of the house, away from windows
- Remove pillows, cushions, and umbrellas from outdoor furniture
- Turn off the natural gas source, as well as pilot lights and air conditioning
- Move any propane or fuel oil supplies away from your home
- Connect the garden hose and fill any large containers with water
- Turn off sprinklers and don't leave water running as they might affect water pressure for fighting fires



← When You Evacuate

Listen to authorities and leave when the first evacuation order is enacted. And follow these tips:

- Roll up car windows and close air vents to minimize smoke
 - Drive slowly with headlights on
 - Call 911 if you're trapped
 - If you have N95 masks, use them
- Listen to NOAA Weather Radio, the Emergency Alert System (EAS), or your local alert systems for instructions and info
 - Gather these items ahead of time and keep them where you can grab them fast (and keep your pets nearby, too!):
birth certificates, passports, legal papers, medications, prescriptions, medical equipment, photographs, mementos, jewelry, hard drives, laptops, portable flash drives with important info, phone chargers, car keys, wallet, driver's license, credit cards, cash

→ When You Return

Don't return home until fire officials have given you an official okay and it's clearly safe to do so. And follow these tips:

- Stay away from damaged or fallen power lines, poles, and wires
- Check propane tanks, regulators, and lines before turning gas on. Have them inspected if necessary
- Examine the roof and exterior areas, as well as the attic and interior of the house for sparks, embers, or smoldering fires
- Beware of hidden embers; keep children and pets close by
- Find out if the water is safe to drink
- Throw out food that's been exposed to heat or smoke
- Properly dispose of any paint, batteries, and damaged fuel containers
- Contact your insurance agent if your home is damaged or uninhabitable



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