



Newberry Springs Fire Department
Fire Prevention / Defensible Space
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Inspection Date: _____

NOTICE OF DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTION

A fire department representative has inspected your property for fire hazards.

OWNER/TENANT:		INSPECTION ADDRESS:	
INSPECTOR NAME:	CONTACT NUMBER:	Inspection No. 1 2 3	INSPECTION RESULT: ☐ NO VIOLATIONS OBSERVED / COMPLIANT ☐ CORRECTIONS REQUIRED

Zone 1 / Within 30 feet of all structures or to the property line (Refer to illustration below):

- ☐ A. Remove all branches within 10 feet of any chimney or stovepipe outlet.
- ☐ B. Remove leaves, needles or other vegetation on roofs, gutters, decks, porches, stairways, etc.
- ☐ C. Remove dead tree or shrub branches that overhang roofs, below or adjacent to windows, or which are adjacent to wall surfaces.
- ☐ D. Remove all dead and dying grass, plants, shrubs, trees, branches, leaves, weeds and needles.
- ☐ E. Remove or separate fuels to maintain spacing between vegetation to interrupt the fire's path. Prune limbs; separate plants and ground cover.
- ☐ F. Remove flammable vegetation and items that could catch fire which are adjacent to, or below, combustible decks, balconies, and stairs.
- ☐ G. Relocate exposed wood piles outside of Zone 1 unless completely covered in a fire-resistant material.

Zone 2 / Within 30–100 feet of all structures or to the property line:

- ☐ H. Cut annual grasses and forbs down to a maximum height of 4 inches.
- ☐ I. Remove fuels to create proper horizontal and vertical spacing among shrubs and trees, and remove lower tree limbs (see diagrams on back).
- ☐ J. All exposed wood piles must have a minimum of 10 feet clearance, down to bare mineral soil, in all directions.
- ☐ K. Remove all dead and dying trees, branches, shrubs, or other plants, and surface debris. Loose surface litter, consisting of fallen leaves or needles, twigs, bark and cones, shall be permitted to a depth of 3 inches.

Other Requirements / Within 100 feet of all structures or to the property line:

- ☐ L. Logs or stumps embedded in the soil must be removed or isolated from other vegetation.
- ☐ M. Outbuildings and Liquid Propane Gas (LPG) storage tanks shall have 10 feet of clearance to bare mineral soil and no flammable vegetation for an additional 10 feet around their exterior.
- ☐ N. Address numbers shall be displayed in contrasting colors (4" min. size) and readable from the street or access road.
- ☐ O. Equip chimney or stovepipe openings with a metal screen having openings between 3/8 inch and 1/2 inch.

IMPORTANT

If any of the boxes are checked above you are hereby notified to correct the violations indicated above. The owner/tenant's failure to correct these violations may result in a citation and fine.

COMMENTS:

REINSPECTION DATE ON OR AFTER: _____



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100 feet of Defensible Space is required by law. Regulations can be found in 14 CCR § 1299.03, PRC § 4291, BOF General Guidelines, CFC § 505.1, CBC § 2113.9.2. California Building Code Chapter 7A requires certain construction materials and methods for homes in wildland areas. Contact your local fire department for additional requirements to ensure your home is compliant with the law. For more information on laws and codes go to:

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PRC § 4119. The department, or its duly authorized agent, shall enforce the state forest and fire laws. The department may inspect all properties, except the interior of dwellings, subject to the state forest and fire laws, for the purpose of ascertaining compliance with such laws.