

# 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.



- 1 Your deck is part of your home. Keep the area underneath and 1.5 metres around the deck clear of leaves and debris.
- 2 Keep roofs and gutters clean and in good condition.
- 3 Keep grass and weeds cut below 10 centimetres.
- 4 Visit [preparedbc.ca](http://preparedbc.ca) to make an emergency preparedness plan. Make sure everyone who lives with you knows what to do.
- 5 Download the FireSmart Home Assessment at [firesmartbc.ca/resource/hiz-self-assessment](http://firesmartbc.ca/resource/hiz-self-assessment) to learn more specific tips.
- 6 Lower the wildfire risk in your garden with fire-resistant plants. Learn more at [firesmartbc.ca/landscaping-hub](http://firesmartbc.ca/landscaping-hub)
- 7 Use non-flammable, 3-millimetre screens on vents (except dryer vents).
- 8 Prune tree branches so there is a 2-metre gap between the lowest branches and the ground.
- 9 Move firewood at least 10 metres away from any buildings or plants.
- 10 Move fuel tanks at least 10 metres away from any buildings or plants.
- 11 Make sure your shed is as FireSmart as your home, with a clean roof and a non-flammable zone around it.