

WILDFIRE EMERGENCY PLAN

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Every family needs a wildfire plan. You'll refer to this plan in the event a wildfire threatens the community where you live. Use this list to get ready:

- Establish an "emergency" meeting place away from your neighborhood - outside of a possible fire or hazard zone
- Identify several escape routes that you can consider that will allow you to escape safely during any potential evacuation - and if you only have one route out, stress the importance of leaving early
- Make sure you have a plan for your pets as well - do you have a crate, medications, toys, and so on
- If you have large animals (e.g. horses), how will you get them out of harm's way?
- Have working fire extinguishers in your home and garage and make certain everyone knows how to use them - don't assume anyone does - and check for expiration dates
- Know where the home's gas, electric, and water shut off controls are located, and know how to shut them off
- Assemble an Emergency GO kit that supports everyone in the family
- If you can, create a second Emergency GO kit that you can keep in your primary vehicle
- Create a community "call" list that is sharable, and ensure everyone in the family has a copy of it - these are the people you can call if you're dealing with an approaching wildfire
- Have a portable radio or scanner in your vehicle

Not every item on this list applies to every family, and remember that these are bullet items to consider as you create your own plan. Your plan will have more detail than what you see in this checklist, so take the time to create the content that you may refer to when you need to consider keeping your family safe.



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