

# FIREPRIME

European Programme for Wildfire-Prepared Communities

## Basic wildfire risk self-assessment

The basic assessment is a quick and easy option designed for residents living in areas at risk of fire.

It includes 10 questions with **Yes** or **No** answers about the environment and characteristics of the home. Answer them all and count how many affirmative answers you get:

**1.** My home is located less than 50 m from a forest or an area with abundant vegetation

YES  NO



**2.** My home is situated on a slope or at the top of a ridge

YES  NO



**3.** The exterior cladding of my home is made of combustible materials (such as wood or plastic)

YES  NO



**4.** The roof, porch, or balcony are made of combustible materials

YES  NO



**5.** The windows and exterior doors have single-pane glass

**YES**  **NO**



**6.** The windows and exterior doors are unprotected (no shutters or blinds)

**YES**  **NO**



**7.** I have ventilation openings without any protective cover

**YES**  **NO**



**8.** There is an accumulation of vegetation debris and/or combustible materials (such as plastic furniture or junk) within 30 m of the home

**YES**  **NO**



**9.** There is an accumulation of dry leaves and twigs in the gutters and/or on the roof

**YES**  **NO**



**10.** There is a fuel tank and/or butane gas cylinders near the building

**YES**  **NO**



## Results (total number of “yes” answers)

### 0-3 Low risk

Your home has a low wildfire risk, but don't be overconfident. Keep the surroundings clean and check the [preparedness and safety advice guide](#).

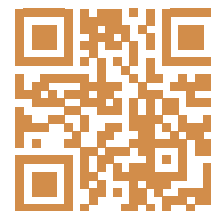
### 4-7 Moderate risk

Your home has a moderate wildfire risk. If you want to better understand your situation, you can complete the advanced assessment ([QR code below to download the app](#)) and receive more detailed recommendations. We also recommend reviewing the [preparedness and safety advice guide](#).



### 8-10 High risk

Your home presents a high wildfire risk. Completing the advanced assessment ([QR code below to download the app](#)) can help you identify critical points and see how to reduce the risk. Don't forget to review the [preparedness and safety advice guide](#).



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## Preparedness and safety advice in case of wildfire

These tips are based on the official recommendations of the Catalan Fire and Rescue Service (Bombers de la Generalitat de Catalunya).

**In the event of a wildfire, always follow the instructions of the local authorities and stay informed through:**

- Civil Protection alerts on your mobile phone
- Firefighters and security forces at the scene
- Official social media accounts:  
for Catalonia:  
[@emergenciescat](#)  
[@bomberscat](#)  
[@agentsruralscat](#)
- Media outlets



**You can find more information at:**

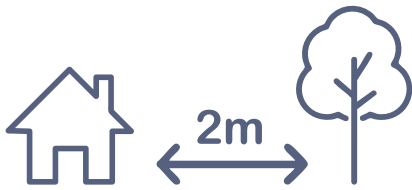
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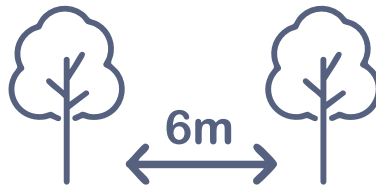


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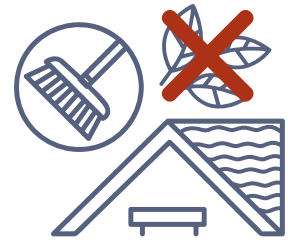
# How can you **protect** your home from wildfires?



2-metre vegetation-free strip around the house façade.



6 metres between trees so that their crowns do not touch.



Roofs, porches and awnings free of dry leaves.



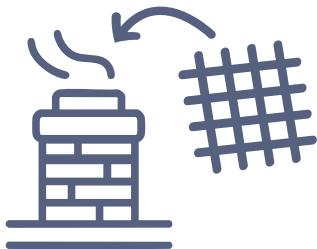
No firewood or flammable materials close to the house.



Fuels stored in protected and ventilated spaces.



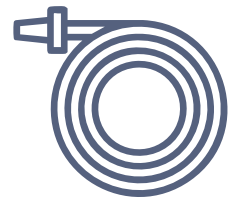
Double glazing and non-combustible shutters or blinds.



Chimneys and vents covered with metal mesh.



Avoid fences and porches made of dry brush, cypress or thuja.



Long, flexible garden hose ready for use.



Emergency kit prepared: *ID, phone with charger, cash, first aid kit, essential medication, flashlight and radio.*



Make sure everyone in your household knows how to respond.



If you anticipate difficulty confining or evacuating (e.g., due to reduced mobility), inform the authorities.

# What to do if a wildfire **approaches** your home

Sheltering in place is the best protection when fire is near.  
Stay calm and evacuate only if instructed by emergency services.



Shelter inside the house with your household members and pets.



Wear long-sleeved cotton clothing.



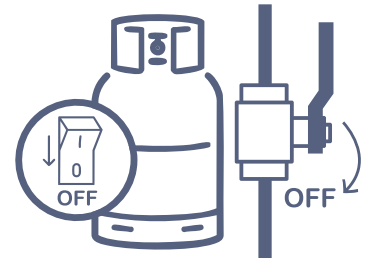
Keep your emergency kit within reach.



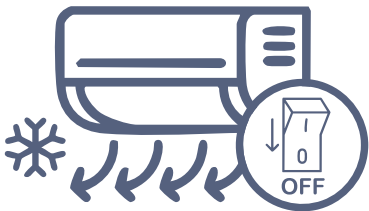
Close all interior and exterior doors, windows, and lower shutters.



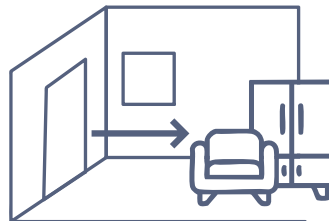
Seal any smoke entry points with wet cloths (e.g., door gaps).



Turn off gas, butane or diesel supplies.



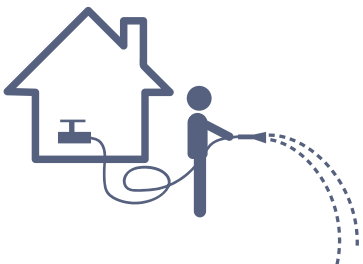
Turn off air conditioning until the outside air is free of smoke.



If time allows, remove curtains and awnings and move furniture away from the façade.



Leave your car in the garage with the keys in the ignition; if not, park it at least 6 metres from the house.



If it's safe and time permits, thoroughly wet the outer parts of the house.

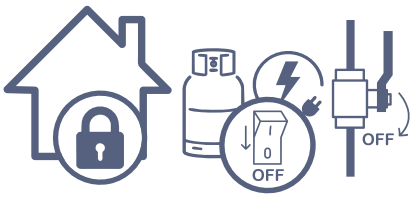


Keep access clear for emergency vehicles.

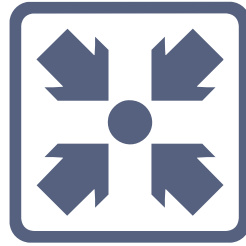


Follow emergency service instructions and do not leave until it is safe to do so.

# What to do if **evacuation** is ordered



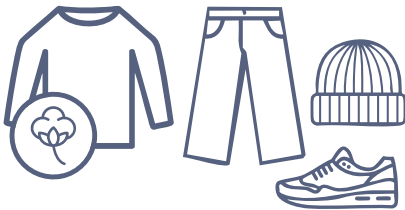
Lock the house and disconnect electricity and gas.



Go to the location indicated by emergency services.



If you need help evacuating, inform emergency responders.



Wear long-sleeved cotton clothing, cover your head, and wear appropriate footwear.



Bring only your emergency kit: ID, phone with charger, cash, first aid kit, essential medication, flashlight, and radio.



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