

FIRE PRIME

European Programme for Wildfire-Prepared Communities

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:

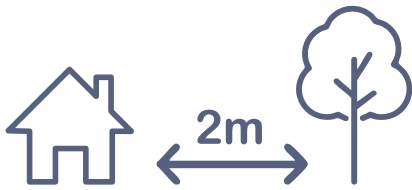
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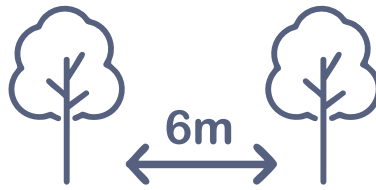


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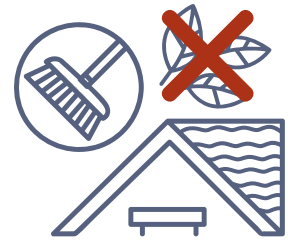
How can you **protect** your home from wildfires?



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.



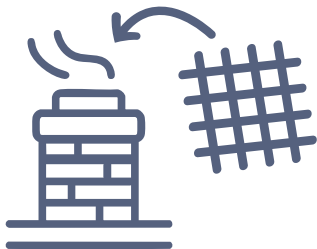
No firewood or flammable materials close to the house.



Fuels stored in protected and ventilated spaces.



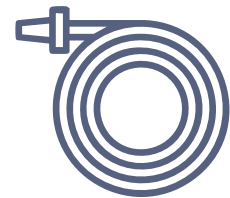
Double glazing and non-combustible shutters or blinds.



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.



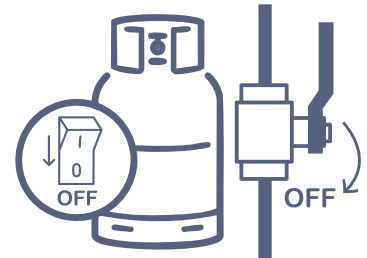
Keep your emergency kit within reach.



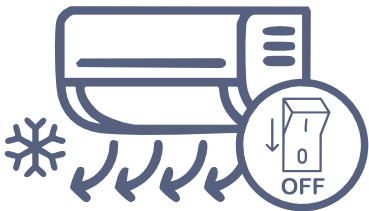
Close all interior and exterior doors, windows, and lower shutters.



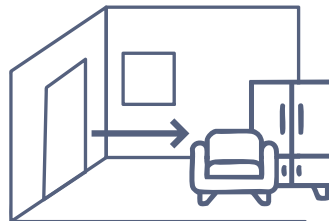
Seal any smoke entry points with wet cloths (e.g., door gaps).



Turn off gas, butane or diesel supplies.



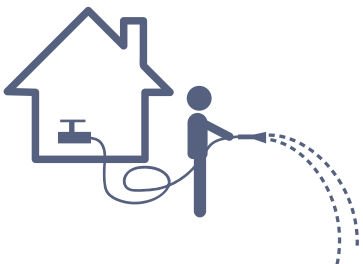
Turn off air conditioning until the outside air is free of smoke.



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.

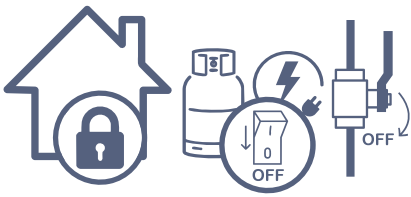


Keep access clear for emergency vehicles.

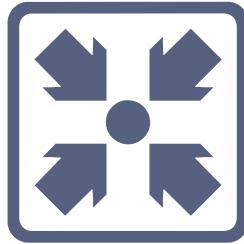


Follow emergency service instructions and do not leave until it is safe to do so.

What to do if **evacuation** is ordered



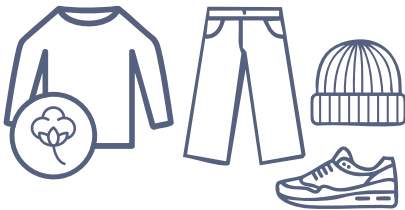
Lock the house and disconnect electricity and gas.



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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