



Annual Brush Clearance Checklist

The San Marino Fire Department will be conducting brush inspections to ensure the safety of our community. We appreciate your cooperation complying with the San Marino and California Fire Codes

The following will assist in creating a defensible space which may help save your home in the event of a fire and keep you in compliance of the fire code:

- Be responsible and clear dry and/or dead vegetation, hazardous brush, or hazardous refuse away from structures, buildings, or flammable fences.
- Remove all flammable vegetation or other combustible growth within 30 feet of any structure. Hazardous vegetation must be maintained less than 3" high.
- Maintain Hazardous grass/weeds/shrubs/trees within 100 feet of any building or structure. Grass will not exceed 18". Remove dead foliage, twigs, or branches within 3 feet of the ground.
- Maintain hazardous grass/weeds located within 10 feet of any combustible fence to less than 3 inches
- Maintain 5 feet of vertical clearance between roof surfaces and overhanging vegetation.
- Remove any portion of a tree or shrub which extends within 15 feet of the outlet of a chimney or stovepipe
- All chimneys attached to any appliance or fireplace that burns solid fuel shall be equipped with an approved spark arrester.
- Clear leaves/needles/twigs/other combustibles from roof.
- Woodpiles or stacked wood shall not be allowed within 20 feet of a structure. Flammable vegetation shall not be allowed within 1- feet of woodpiles or stacked wood.
- Maintain trees and shrubs within 10 feet of any street, alley, or driveway so that no leafy foliage, twigs, or branches are within six (6) feet of the ground (but no more than 1/3 of the crown).