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Fire strikes quickly and usually without warning, leaving you little time to respond. Don't wait until it's too late – plan today and be prepared for tomorrow. The following tips can help you keep your property and family fire-safe.

Prepare and Prevent

- ► Install UL*-marked smoke detectors.

 Test them monthly, and replace batteries twice a year.
- ➤ Create a "defensible space" around your home, with a clearance of at least 100 feet (200 feet in Los Angeles County).
- ➤ Remove debris from your roof and trim tree limbs hanging over the house.
- Create easy firefighter access to your closest emergency water source.
- ► Have an evacuation checklist that includes escape routes, personal papers and critical medications.

In Case of Wildfire

- ► Make sure you are safely away from the fire and CALL 911.
- Close all windows and doors. If time allows, clear trash away from your house.
- ► Turn lights on to make your house more visible in heavy smoke.
- Fill bathtubs, sinks and buckets with water for extra reservoirs.
- ► Evacuate early; don't wait to be told and stay out of the area until re-entry is allowed.

Fire Safety Information & Resources

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) WWW.FEMA.GOV (800) 525-0321

California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection WWW.FIRE.CA.GOV

California Department of Insurance
WWW.INSURANCE.CA.GOV
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^{*}UL: "Underwriters Laboratories," a company that is responsible for testing different parts of electronic products and lighting such as cables, etc., to see if they are susceptible to catch fire.