

Guidelines for Firewise Landscaping in an Urban Setting



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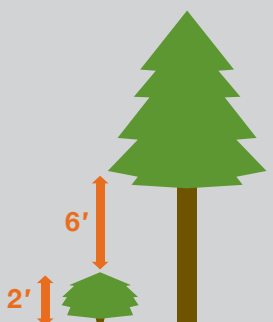
Safe Spacing
Remove lower tree limbs to reduce "fire ladder".
Keep all fire prone trees 10 feet from roof.
Keep all trees 10 feet from chimney.
Minimize the fuel load of trees and shrubs with proper spacing.

Good Plants
Plant moisture rich succulents, annuals and perennials near your home.

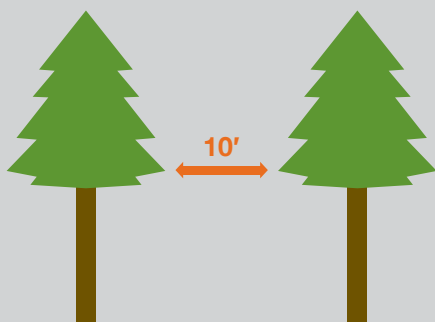
Fuel Free Zone
Keep fire prone vegetation and dry debris 3-5 feet your house.

Safe Groundcover
Use rock or pebbles instead of bark or mulch next to your home.

Fuel Break
Establish a fuel break in the vegetation in your yard by installing rock or concrete pathways.



Minimum Vertical Clearance
3 x the height of the shrub to the lowest branches of the tree



Tree Spacing
Flat to mild slope
10 foot spacing
Mild to moderate slope
20 foot spacing
Moderate to steep slope
30 foot spacing



Shrub Spacing
Flat to mild slope
2 x the height of the shrub
Mild to moderate slope
4 x the height of the shrub
Moderate to steep slope
8 x the height of the shrub

Keep it lean and green.
Keep vegetation lean, clean and green. Keep all vegetation watered, free of dead material, and maintained.

