

RED FLAG WARNING HOME CHECKLIST

On a high wind advisory or red flag warning, follow these recommendations



If a red flag wind advisory is issued in your area, taking small actions at your home before you evacuate will severely decrease the likelihood of fire damage. Personal safety is extremely important so you should evacuate when instructed to do so by fire officials, even if you have not finished preparing your house.

Additionally, if you are going out of town, complete these tasks prior to your departure in case there is a fire event while you are away.



Pull out the following items more than 5 ft away from your structure or inside your home/garage:

- Garbage and yard waste bins
- Combustible doormats
- Outdoor cushions
- Propane grills
- Wooden furniture
- Tools like rakes and brooms
- Bags of mulch, soil, and/or compost
- Potted plants
- Gas cans and paint
- Any other combustible items (wood or plastic)

Perform these additional action items:

- Clean gutter of dry leaves
- Clear dry leaves away from house
- Make sure all windows in house/ garage/ cars are closed at time of evacuation
- If you have a wooden fence/gate attached perpendicular to your house, stop the potential pathway of fire by propping open the gate (use something heavy to prop the gate as it could be very windy during a firestorm)
- Walk around the house and double-check that all your vents have screening on them. If you have a vent with a screen missing, cover it so embers can't enter and after the red flag event replace with proper screening (screening that is 1/16th or 1/8th in is best for ember protection)