

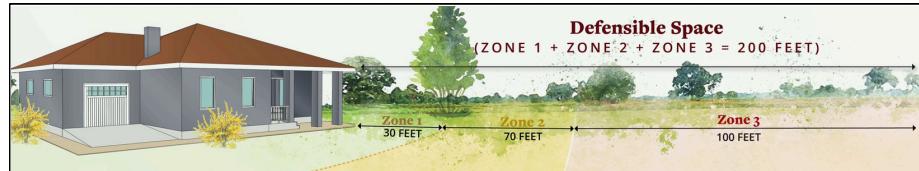
# Are you ready, RPV?



The City of Rancho Palos Verdes and our public safety partners are committed to keeping our community safe from wildfires. **Remember, it takes all of us to ensure we are prepared.** Here are some steps you can take. Learn more at [rpvca.gov/emergency](http://rpvca.gov/emergency).



## Maintain defensible space.



For more information, go to the LA County Fire Department's website at [fire.lacounty.gov](http://fire.lacounty.gov).



## Harden your home.

Keep your roof and gutters clean. Use fire-resistant materials to protect against windblown embers and fire.

Learn more about retrofitting and take a self-assessment to see how prepared your property is for wildfire on Cal Fire's website at [fire.ca.gov](http://fire.ca.gov).



## Make a kit.

Gather emergency supplies that will allow you to either shelter in place or create a go-bag if you need to evacuate. Think of the Five Ps:

1. People
2. Pets
3. Pills (medications)
4. Photos (including photo documentation of your home for insurance purposes)
5. Papers (documents such as utility bills, birth certificates, etc.)





## Have a plan.

Identify how you will communicate with loved ones, where you will go, and how will you get there if you have to evacuate your area because of an emergency. Have important contact information, including an out-of-state contact, written down and place a copy in the backpacks, purses, and/or wallets of all household members and in your go-bags. Establish family meeting places near your home, in the neighborhood, and outside of your city that are familiar and easy to find.



## Know your emergency terms.

**Advisory:** An advisory is a notification about a potential hazard or situation that may require your attention. While not as urgent as warnings or orders, advisories should be closely monitored.

**Shelter in Place:** If authorities tell you to shelter in place, it means you need to go indoors. Shut and lock doors and windows. Prepare to self-sustain until further notice and/or until contacted by emergency personnel for additional direction.

**Evacuation Warning:** If you receive an evacuation warning, this means you need to start preparing to leave. If you have animals, children, or need additional time evacuating, this is the time to leave.

**Evacuation Order:** If you receive an evacuation order, this means you need to leave **immediately**. Emergency responders have determined there is an imminent life safety risk and you need to evacuate.



**Always remember, you don't have to wait to evacuate. If you feel unsafe, LEAVE.**



## Know Your Zone.

Get to know the Peninsula's evacuation readiness platform at **PVPready.gov**.

Find your zone, save it in your phone, write it down, and keep it somewhere that's easy to find in an emergency.

During an emergency, such as a wildfire, you can check your zone's status and the actions you need to take on the website's map. This map is updated as soon as an evacuation or shelter in place order or warning is issued by authorities



## Sign up for Alert SouthBay.

Get emergency alerts by texting "alerts" to 888-777 or registering at **AlertSouthBay.com**.