

PINEBROOK REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST FOR CALFIRE & EPFD FIRE SAFETY INSPECTIONS

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FIRST 30' FROM ANY AND ALL STRUCTURES:

- A. Remove all DEAD trees, DEAD branches, and DEAD brush. Remove all dry grass, leaves, pine needles, etc; from the ground and on top of and under roofs, porches, decks and stored vehicles
- B. Remove or isolate (10' clearance all around) logs or stumps embedded in the soil
- C. Remove entirely Mountain Misery, Bear Clover, and other highly flammable brush
- D. Thin out green and living bushes and trees to provide healthy and fire resistant growth.

30' TO 100' FROM ALL STRUCTURES & ENTIRE BARE LOTS:

- E. Remove all DEAD trees, DEAD brush, and DEAD branches (within 15' of the ground). DEAD or ALIVE down trees not embedded in the soil are to be removed (including bucked up rounds). Remove stumps or cut them off at ground level and provide some bare ground clearance.
- F. Prune and limb trees 6' to 15' up. For smaller trees (under 30') prune and limb 1/3 of height.
- G. Remove all surface fuel, dry cut grass, leaves and needles greater than 4" in height. Mountain Misery, Bear Clover, shrubs, small trees, etc; over 4" is permissible if mature trees above are pruned and limbed 15' or more and small trees (under 30') are pruned to 50% of the tree's height.
- H. Healthy and alive trees and shrubs shall be spaced apart (use firebreaks where needed)
Note: use common sense (inspectors will be flexible in these requirements, example: not required to remove close together mature large trees; create fire breaks instead).
 - . Groups of plants less than 10' in width may be maintained with clearance around.
 - . Thin trees and brush to allow healthy growth and survival during droughts. Rule of thumb: "should easily walk through your property between trees and bushes without ducking". Shrubs should be spaced 2 times the height apart, and trees as a guideline should be 10' apart.
 - . On steep slopes (20% to 40% and steeper) separate trees and brush 20' to 30' apart as a guide.

OTHER SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:

- I. Remove all limbs within 10' of chimneys and install a 1/2" mesh screen on chimney openings.
- J. Propane Tanks: Bare ground cleaning, 10' vertical and horizontal clearance, no burn piles within 25', fencing (lattice/solid) permissible with clearance as is very low, well irrigated, groundcover.
- K. Burn Piles: Old piles should be gone by the 1st inspection; Piles created during the no burn season must be in open area, clear to bare ground 10' around the pile and cover (preferably with a fire resistance tarp) and keep 30' from any structure.
- L. Wood Piles: Clear to bare ground 10' around all stacked piles and if pile is within 30' of a structure it must be covered (preferable with a fire resistance tarp). Clear 15' above.
- M. Address with at least 3" numbers posted at each driveway entrance visible from both direction of travel.

- NOTES: 1. Clear to property line if it is less than the 30' and/or 100' criteria
- 2. 1st Inspection about June 1st, 2nd for failures after July 4th, then citations by Calfire & EPFD for failure
 - 3. Burning is allowed with permits usually thru May - call burn line at 209 754-6600 for status; Get permits at CalFire Station on HY4 as you enter Arnold, or at the Ebbetts Pass Fire House on Blagen in Arnold.
 - 4. Debris dumping for a fee in Avery on HY4 at Gene Millers
 - 5. CalFire is responsible for all improved property 209 428-1131; EPFD for bare lots 209 795-7393
 - 6. More information on Pinebrook website (www.pinebrookhoa.com)