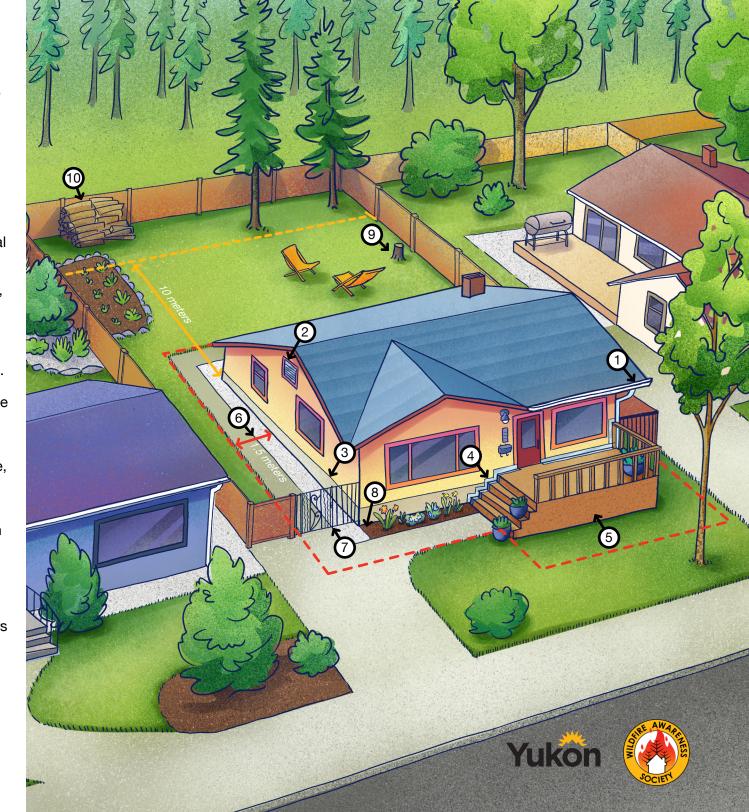
Home Ignition Zone

fire risk reduction measures

- (1) Keep roof and roof gutters clean of needles and leaves.
- 2 Put metal screening on any vents, particularly those leading to the attic.
- 3 Use fire-resistant siding or, at least, metal flashing for 25 cm from ground.
- If a wooden deck connects to the house, place a wide metal flashing to connect deck to siding.
- 5 Enclose the area under the deck to prevent embers from getting underneath.
- 6 Create a 1.5 meter non-combustible zone around your house, deck and any outbuildings.
- If a wooden fence connects to the house, the last 1.5 meters to the house should be non-combustible.
- 8 Avoid using bark or pine needle mulch in any gardens close to the house.
- 9 Remove any conifers (juniper, pine and spruce) within 10 meters of the house.
- Move firewood, lumber at least 10 meters away from any buildings.



Resources

Useful Websites

firesmartbc.ca – excellent resource for all aspects of firesmarting getprepared.ca – good resource for evacuation preparedness firesmartcanada.ca – national firesmart organization firesafemarin.org – excellent multi-media material on wildfire preparedness from a California municipality. wildfireawareness.org – Whitehorse-based wildfire preparedness organization. whitehorse.ca/living-in-whitehorse - Whitehorse city site for booking a Firesmart Home Assessment. shop.waspwildfire.ca - information on wildfire sprinklers available at Canadian Tire.

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