

Revised Amendments to the Member Handbook  
Firewise Rules  
Posted for Member Feedback  
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**4.4.3 (change) Dead, Dying, Insect-Infested, Downed Trees.** All dead, dying, insect-infested and downed trees must be promptly cut and removed from Lots when noticed or as required by LACC or Peninsula Fire District.

**4.4.4 (new – existing rules renumbered) Tree Trimming.** Trees between 10 feet and 50 feet tall must have all limbs removed at least 3-4 feet up from the ground. Trees taller than 50 feet must have limbs removed at least 10 feet up from the ground.

**4.4.5 (new) Tree Limbs.** Remove all tree limbs or hanging vegetation within 10 feet of your roof and/or chimney.

**4.4.6 (Change) Trees on Vacant Lots.** No trees may be cleared from a vacant lot prior to a set of building plans for the lot being approved by the Architectural Review Committee. Clear cutting is prohibited. An exception may be made by the General Manager (based on a written request from the member) where it is clear that tree thinning is recommended for the purpose of reducing fire hazards or improving forest health (the General Manager may require written documentation from a licensed forester, Peninsula Fire District or other knowledgeable authority).

**5.7 (new) Firewise Regulations.** It is the intent of the association to adopt a series of regulations and standards, in conjunction with the Peninsula Fire District, with the goal of reducing the threat of a community-wide loss due to wildfires. This will be accomplished through rules included in this handbook as well as member education of Best Practices. Members should keep in mind that they may also be subject to other laws from other jurisdictions.

**5.7.1 (new) Property Identification.** Approved numbers or addresses shall be placed on all new and existing buildings in such a position as to be plainly visible and legible from the street or road fronting the property. Said numbers shall contrast with their background. In addition, address numbers must be installed along the roadway so as to be visible in both directions.

**5.7.2 (new) L.P. Gas.** All weeds, grass, brush, trash and other combustible materials shall be kept a minimum of 10 feet away from all LP tanks or containers.

**5.7.3 (new) Chimney Sparks.** Spark arresters are required on all chimneys (3/8 to 1/2 inch mesh screen).

**5.7.4 (new) Waste Material.** Accumulation of wastepaper, hay, grass, straw, weeds, litter, combustible/flammable waste material, waste petroleum products or rubbish of any kind shall not be permitted to remain upon any Lot. All weeds, grass, vines or other growth, when same endangers property or is liable to be fired, shall be cut down and removed by the Owner or Occupant of the Lot. Environmental factors may be taken into consideration.

**5.7.4.1 (new) Dead/Flammable Vegetation.** Remove all dead or flammable vegetation, manzanita and pine needles from Lots and roofs of structures.

**5.7.4.2 (new) Tall/Dead Grass.** Mow or cut tall/dead grass to a height not to exceed 4 inches and promptly remove.

**5.7.4.3 (new) Decks, Balconies & Stairs.** Remove flammable vegetation and items that could catch fire which are adjacent to or below combustible decks, balconies and stairs.

**5.7.4.4 (new) Wood Piles.** Relocate exposed wood piles unless completely covered in a fire-resistant material. Exposed wood piles must have a minimum of 10 feet clearance, down to bare soil, in all directions.

**5.7.4.5 (new) Debris Piles.** All combustible debris piles must be promptly removed from all Lots.