

KERN COUNTY FIRE HAZARD REDUCTION PROGRAM

MUST BE COMPLETED BY JUNE 1st



REQUIRED CLEARANCE GUIDELINES

- **100'** total clearance around **ALL** structures. **Two zones** make up the required 100' of defensible space
- **Zone 1** - extending **30'** from the structure, remove **ALL non-ornamental** combustible fuels in this area
 - Store firewood outside of this zone.
 - Remove any dead/dry material such as grass, leaves, needles, limbs, etc.
 - Maintain spacing between ornamental vegetation.
 - Remove all dead limbs that are overhanging any structures
 - **10'** clearance around stovepipe/chimney outlets
 - Clear roof of all combustible vegetation and debris
 - **10'** clearance around LPG tanks
- **Zone 2** - **30' to 100'** from the structure, **reduce ALL** combustible fuels in this area
 - Limb trees and bushes to avoid contact with ground and ladder fuels
 - Remove lower limbs of all **non-ornamental** trees to a height of **6'** off the ground
 - Create spacing between trees and bushes to reduce contact with each other
- **10'** clearance around **ALL** property lines of vacant lots that encroach on the 100' defensible space of neighboring structures
- Remove accumulation of combustible fuels that can be deemed a fire hazard

If you have any questions about how you can ensure your property will pass inspection, please visit www.kerncountyfire.org and click on the Hazard Reduction tab. Our website contains helpful information and informative links regarding defensible space.

For further questions or information please call 661-823-1001 or email hazardreduction@kerncountyfire.org