## 11 No-Cost and Low-Cost Tips to Protect Your Home From Wildfire



Install noncombustible, corrosion-resistant metal mesh screen spark arrestors that cover your chimney and stovepipe outlets, with  $^{1}/_{8}$  inch to  $^{1}/_{2}$  inch openings.

Check your roof and gutters regularly, and keep them free of all combustible debris.

Install noncombustible metal mesh gutter covers on your gutters to prevent the accumulation of leaves and debris.

Install a drip edge on your gutter to protect the roof edge from flame exposure.

Install weather-stripping to gaps greater than 1/8 inch between garage doors and door frames to prevent ember intrusion.

Zone 0 is the area within zero to five feet of your home. Keep it free of combustible vegetation, firewood, or mulch, or other flammable items such as patio furniture, umbrellas and awnings, and replace with noncombustible materials, such as gravel or hardscape.

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