

# BULLETIN

## **Creating a FireSmart™ Home and Property**

Following FireSmart principles when developing land and designing homes, structures and landscape plans on properties within the Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) is an important part of the planning and development process. Developers, builders, contractors and homeowners should review the FireSmart basics (and follow FireSmart principles) when designing and building structures within or near forested lands to reduce wildfire risk.



Being FireSmart is about living with and managing wildfire risk in your area and on your property. FireSmart principles are effective at reducing risk to life and property in the most extreme wildfire conditions across Canada, including here in the RDN.

The Wildfire-Resilience Best-Practice Checklist for Home Construction, Renovation and Landscaping is a comprehensive checklist for creating a FireSmart home and property from the start. The additional resources below further explain FireSmart principles and the benefits of following FireSmart best practices.

### Resources to help you create a FireSmart home and property:

- ✓ Visit the FireSmartBC website
- ✓ Visit the RDN Get-Involved FireSmart webpage
- ✓ View the FireSmart Homeowners Manual
- ✓ View the FireSmart Home Development Guide
- ✓ View the FireSmart Landscaping Guide



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#### For more information, please contact:

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#### OR

Your local Fire Department who can connect you with a local FireSmart representative that can provide best practices and advice on creating a FireSmart home and property.

**Get Involved RDN!**