



WILDFIRE - HOMEOWNERS

We want to help you rest easy.

That's why we're providing simple information like this to help you understand your coverage and prevent losses. For more tips go to www.safeco.com/tips.

A surprising fact: wildfire can happen in almost every state.

While wildfire strikes more frequently in the West, nearly every state has been devastated by fires in the last century. Each year hundreds of homes are destroyed as more people choose to live closer to nature.

Know what your insurance covers and how much you need.

Your Safeco® insurance policy covers repair or rebuilding costs. If you can't live in your home, Safeco will pay additional living expenses as provided in your policy. Review your policy for detailed coverage explanations.

It is important that you review your insurance policy once a year to make sure you have enough coverage to rebuild based on current construction costs. We recommend you get a precise estimate and make sure you talk to your agent about your home's unique features.

You can reduce the chance of losing to wildfire.

No building is fireproof, but there are steps you can take to better the chances when wildfire strikes.

- Define your defensible space: a 30-foot, non-combustible zone around your home

- Choose fire-resistant plants and trees
- Remove or prune low hanging tree branches
- Cut grass and weeds regularly and keep your roof and yard clean
- Stack wood piles or other burnable materials at least 30 feet from your home or other buildings on your property
- Keep signs and addresses visible so firefighters can easily locate your property
- Rate your roof - is it fire resistant?
- Recycle yard debris and branches instead of burning

When a wildfire strikes, protect yourself and your family.

If a wildfire starts in your area, monitor local news reports for evacuation procedures. Prepare for evacuation by turning off gas valves and pilot lights, closing all windows and doors and packing your car for quick departure, if there is time and it is safe to do so. Return to a burned area only when local authorities have instructed you to do so.

Fire damage? Call 1-800-332-3226

If you have damage, report it to Safeco as soon as possible. Claims professionals are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.