

PREPARING YOUR HOME FOR

Smoke Exposure

During wildfire season and smokey conditions the most common advisory is to stay indoors, where you can better control the environment. Preparing and protecting your home during these seasons can help minimize damage and ensure your family is safe.

Keep all windows and doors closed.

Set up a room air cleaner to help remove particles from the air while emitting little or no ozone. Here's a resource for picking the right one: [Air Cleaner Information for Consumers](#)

Run the AC or central air conditioning system. If the air conditioner provides a fresh air option, keep the fresh-air intake closed to prevent smoke from getting inside. Check & change your filter!

Stock up on air-filters for your home so you can easily replace as needed without running the risk of a shortage.

Do not vacuum anywhere in the house, unless using a HEPA-filter equipped vacuum.

Do not smoke or burn anything, including candles or incense.

Maintain cleanliness by damp mopping and dusting with a damp cloth.

Only when the air index improves, air out your home to reduce indoor air pollution.

People in homes that are too warm to stay inside with the windows closed or who are at-risk of smoke-related health effects should seek shelter elsewhere.

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