

Camp Building Checklist

Fencing-use nonflammable material (metal or brick) when within the immediate zone (0-5 feet). Do not add vines or other vegetation to fencing.

Acceptable Hazardous - Notes for improvement _____

Gutters-should be metal and free of any debris, check for signs of debris in gutters wherever they are located around the building.

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Roof- as well as you can see from ground, check for build up of debris on roofs and any holes or gaps in coverage. Check for any trees that overhang the roof.

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Siding- Inspect siding to see if there are any gaps or crevices where embers could accumulate.

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Doors and windows-All doors and windows should be double-paned. You can either ask a camp counselor, or you can often see the two layers of glass. Check for broken windows or screens which embers could collect in.

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Decks or other elevated off building structures (landings, stairways, etc.)- Check for any plant debris or other flammable material underneath them.

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Attic and basement vents- Check that the screen size is 1/8 inch and free of debris. Smaller screen okay cleaned regularly.

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Bulletin Boards-If your camp has an outdoor bulletin board, make sure it is enclosed with a glass/plexiglass cover.

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Immediate Zone Checklist (0-5 Ft beyond building, decks, and other attachments)

Anywhere leaves can pile up, so can embers which can cause a building to ignite.

Dead or dry plant material- check around the whole perimeter of the building to check for debris.

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Plants- only well-maintained, watered, herbaceous plants that are less than 5" tall are recommended in this zone. Ex: lawn or annuals that lack woody parts. Some succulents actually turn woody and not appropriate for this zone.

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Trees- All trees should be trimmed to 5 feet away from the building and decks.

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Mulch or other ground cover next to building- any ground cover in the immediate zone should be non-flammable.

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Garbage cans- Should be at least 5 feet from the building.

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Benches and Play structures- Should be ideally at least 5 feet away from the building or made from a non-flammable material.

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Door Mats- Check for any outdoor mats made of fiber.

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Intermediate Zone Checklist (5-30 ft) “Lean, clean, and green”

Grass- Grass should be mowed to about 4 inches and regularly watered.

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Ladder Fuels- Check for vegetation under trees, trees should be pruned 6-10 feet from the ground, or for short trees, no more than 1/3 of total height. Shrubs should be in small groups at 10 feet away from tree branches.

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Trees- trees, or clumps of trees, should be spaced with at least 18 feet between the crowns.

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Trees and Shrubs- Should be kept to a minimum in this zone and separated by some distance (shrubs being 10 feet away from tree branches).

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General Maintenance- This zone should be well maintained, possibly watered and raked, with little dead plant matter or debris.

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Plant Maintenance- Note any plants that need upkeep.

Acceptable Hazardous - Notes for improvement _____



Extended Zone Checklist (30-100 ft)

Ground litter/debris- Debris such as pine needles, leaves, and sticks should be removed.

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Dead plant and tree material- Should be removed.

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Seedlings- Small seedlings growing between or close to trees should be pulled.

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Vegetation- Check for vegetation growing close to sheds and structures.

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Plant Maintenance- Note any plants that are overgrown or need upkeep.

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Trees or clumps of trees 30-60 feet- Should have at least 12 feet between canopy tops.

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Trees or clumps of trees 60-100 feet- Should have at least 6 feet between canopy tops.

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