

FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION RESOURCES PRIMER September 2020



Fire safety is important to all of us at Rocky Ridge. To create a more fire safe environment, our maintenance staff works diligently to maintain brush and vegetation clear spaces around the buildings in our development. The staff also from time to time identifies and removes damaged trees that pose risks of either fire or falling down. Further, situated as we are next to Burton Creek State Park and National Forest lands, we enjoy the benefits from the efforts of the State Park Service and the National Forest Service to protect their respective lands from dangerous fire events. In doing so, they further protect our Rocky Ridge properties and improvements.

So... we are fortunate to enjoy our beautiful development with meaningful confidence that we are well protected from the potential ravages of California wildfires.

Nonetheless, the ferocity of recent California wildfires is a reminder to all of us to stay diligent on fire safety issues. Towards this end, we have prepared this Fire Safety Information Resources "Primer" to assist homeowners by collecting helpful fire information sources and providing them to you in a single short document. This "Primer" also can be found on our website.

We call the following to your attention:

Substantive Topic	Information Source
 Homeowners should familiarize themselves, their family members and their guests with the <u>Comprehensive Emergency Preparedness and Evacuation Guidelines booklet</u> that is distributed annually to each unit by the Fire Department. This booklet provides detailed preparedness information, including important contact numbers, as well as evacuation information. A link to the guide is provided in the column to the right. 	http://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/35dc 29_c6b4469186844da481e80b6d8f9 74099.pdf
 Homeowners should consider the California code requirements for residential <u>smoke & CO detectors</u>. These can be found at the link in the column to the right. 	https://www.placer.ca.gov/Docume ntCenter/View/2981/Declaration-of- Installation-for-Smoke-Alarms-and- Carbon-Monoxide-Alarms-PDF
• If you rent your Rocky Ridge unit, you should consider the Placer County short-term rental safety requirements. These requirements are comprehensive and worth considering even if you do not rent out your unit. They include information on fire extinguishers, which are required for rentals. See the link to these requirements in the column to the right.	https://a1a57985-b06a-4ce2-980f- c62ebe0e4c45.filesusr.com/ugd/35d c29 165c760f8d4c4e78b9a392cf219 e6272.pdf
 Governmental regulations no longer permit use of charcoal fueled BBQ's or charcoal or wood fueled fire pits on Rocky Ridge decks. BBQ's fueled by propane (or other fuels) are permitted provided such use complies with the requirements of the North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District. Homeowners are responsible for assuring such compliance. If you have a deck BBQ, consider installing an outdoor fire extinguisher on your deck as well. To be effective for grease fires, the fire extinguisher should have a UL rating of "B". The cost is relatively small (you can find a "First Alert" extinguisher at Swigard's for around \$25), and it provides meaningful protection should a fire accident occur. 	Contact the North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District for further information. The Fire District's administrative office building is located at 866 Oriole Way, Incline Village, Nevada, and is open Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., except state and federal holidays. The phone number is 775/831-0351.

•	Consider registering your phone with <u>Placer Co's emergency system</u> , which provides text alerts to cell phones for county regions impacted by emergencies.	www.placer-alert.org
•	A complete list of emergency contacts is in the Emergency Preparedness and Evacuation Guide, but key telephone numbers include those listed in the column to the right:	North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District: 530-583-6911 Placer County Sheriff: 530-583-6300 Placer County Office of Emergency Services: 530-886-5300 LIFE THREATENING emergency: 911
•	In an active emergency, monitor the information resources listed in the column to the right.	 Tune your radio to 1630 AM Follow North Tahoe Fire on Facebook at <u>www.ntfire.net</u>
Add	litional Resources:	
•	Placer County Emergency Services homepage	www.readyplacer.org
•	Cal Fire – Pre-Evacuation Planning	 https://www.readyforwildfire.or g/prepare-for-wildfire/go- evacuation-guide/pre- evacuation-preparation-steps/
•	Living with Fire – Tahoe	 https://www.tahoelivingwithfire .com/get-prepared/

Additional Information:

- North Tahoe Fire recommends knowing two evacuation routes from your property. *Rocky Ridge's primary evacuation route of course is the hill road to the highway*. A secondary exit route runs through Burton Creek State Park, but it is gated, not paved and should be used only if fire officials deem it to be necessary and provide access and guidance.
- Consider keeping some KN-95 masks in your home to help protect you against wildfire smoke.