



Payson Pines Firewise Mitigation Standards

Our goal is to promote the health and safety of our community and neighbors. These standards are taken from the Firewise USA website, and the Payson Fire Department.

Enforcement of this standard shall strive to educate residents and property owners, to promote best practices to accomplish the goal of wildland hazardous fuels mitigation within the Payson Pines Subdivision.

With the close proximity we have to the national forest and the wood siding on our homes it increases the need for these actions. Specific area to be addressed:

Roof and rain gutters must be clear of leaves, debris, and pine needles.

Roof openings into the interior of the structure must be screened to prevent embers from getting inside and starting fires.

Tree limbs must be 10 ft. away from chimneys, if applicable.

Tree limbs and other vegetation should not be touching the structure.

Trees that overhang a home should be pruned to provide a minimum of 4 ft. clearance above the structure.

Ground should be cleared of pine needles and dead vegetation.

Crown areas of shrubs separated by 1 ½ times the vegetation height.

Live tree branches should be removed to provide 6' of clearance to the ground. Trees under 18' tall to be trimmed up approx 1/3 the height of tree.

No small trees growing in to the canopy of large trees.

Drip line of trees should be 10ft. apart. Grouping of trees acceptable as long as other aspects of clearance are met.

No ladder fuels. Example would be brush underneath a tree canopy, giving a clear path for flames to travel.

Stacks of firewood larger than 3' x 3' x 2' shall be placed 20' from the structure.

Promptly remove/ dispose of all cut slash and trimmed vegetation.

In accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Payson Pines Homeowners Association an individual shall be notified in writing of deficiencies on their property and given an opportunity to comply. Time extensions may be requested by the member.