California Wildfire Mitigation Program (CWMP)





Minimum Quality Standards

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 The California Wildfire Mitigation Program's, "Minimum Quality Standards" provides direction to project participants on the program's expectation of standards of quality for materials and performance of work.

Integration and use of state and nationally recognized codes and standards

- Public Resources Code 4291
 - Defensible Space
- Local Defensible Space Ordinances
- California Building Code (CBC)
 - Chapter 7A Materials and Construction Methods For Exterior Wildfire Exposure
 - Roofing
 - Vents
 - Exterior coverings
 - Exterior Windows, skylights and doors
 - Decking
 - Accessory buildings and miscellaneous structures

Integration and use of nationally recognized codes and standards

- California Building Code Other chapters
 - Chapter 12 Interior Environment (Vents)
 - Chapter 14 Exterior Walls
 - Chapter 15 Roof Assemblies
- California Fire Code
 - Chapter 61 Liquified Petroleum Gases
- Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (14 CCR) -Minimum Fire Safe Regulations
- California Energy Code
- Product manufacturer's installation instructions
- Local Amendments to State Codes

Defensible Space Zone 0 Minimum Quality Standards

- Roof Combustible Material Removal
- Combustible Material Removal
- Firewood Relocation
- Firewood Removal
- Stump Removal
- Vegetation Removal
- Tree Felling
- Tree Limbing
- Hardscaping

Defensible Space Zone 1 Minimum Quality Standards

- Cutting of Annual Grasses and Forbs
- Stump Removal
- Firewood Relocation
- Firewood Removal
- Vegetation Removal
- Tree Felling
- Tree Limbing

Defensible Space Zone 2 Minimum Quality Standards

- Cutting of Annual Grasses and Forbs
- Tree Felling
- Tree Limbing
- Vegetation Removal

Other Defensible Space Minimum Quality Standards

- Building Address Retrofit
- Chimney Spark Arrestor Retrofit
- Propane Tank Retrofit
- Propane Tank Vegetation Clearance

Roof Minimum Quality Standards

- Roof Covering/Assembly Retrofit
- Roof Assembly Openings or Gaps Retrofit
- Roof Drip Edge Retrofit
- Roof Valley Retrofit
- Roof Gutter Cover Retrofit
- Roof Gutter Retrofit
- Roof Combustible Attachment Retrofit

Vent Minimum Quality Standards

- Off Ridge and Ridge Vent Retrofit
- All Vents Except (Off Ridge and Ridge Vents)
 Retrofit

Exterior Covering Minimum Quality Standards

- Exterior Covering Full Retrofit
- Exterior Covering Partial Retrofit Bottom 2 Feet
- Combustible Wall at Roof Intersection Retrofit
- Combustible Wall at Roof Intersection Flashing Retrofit
- Combustible Wall at Above Deck Intersection Retrofit
- Combustible Wall at Below Deck Intersection Retrofit
- Existing Open Roof Eaves or Enclosed Roof Eaves and Roof Eave Soffits Retrofit
- Enclosed Roof Eaves and Roof Eave Soffits Conversion Retrofit
- Exterior Porch Ceilings, Floor Projections, Underfloor Protection or Underside of Appendages Retrofit
- Exterior Covering Gaps or Openings Retrofit

Exterior Windows, Skylights and Doors Minimum Quality Standards

- Exterior Window Retrofit
- Window Screen Retrofit
- Skylight Replacement Retrofit
- Skylight Flashing Retrofit
- Door Retrofit
- Door Partial Retrofit
- Exterior Sliding or Swinging Screen Door Repair or Replacement
- Garage Door Full Retrofit
- Garage Door Partial Retrofit
- Garage Door Perimeter Gap Retrofit

Attachments Minimum Quality Standards

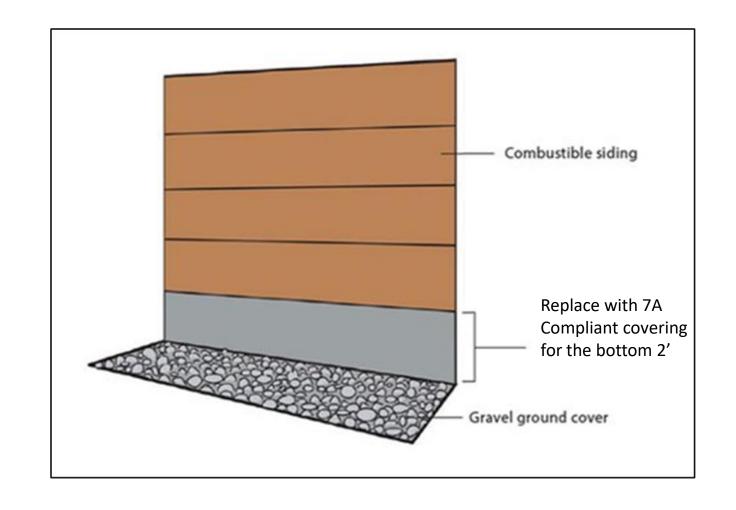
- Deck Full Retrofit
- Deck Partial Retrofit
- Stairs Full Retrofit
- Stairs Partial Retrofit
- Combustible Fence/Gate Retrofit
- Retaining Wall Retrofit
- Awning and Coverings Retrofit
- Pergola or Trellis Retrofit

Accessory Buildings & Miscellaneous Structures Minimum Quality Standards

- Accessory Buildings Removing
- Accessory Buildings Relocating
- Accessory Buildings Retrofitting
- Miscellaneous Structures- Removing
- Miscellaneous Structures Relocating
- Miscellaneous Structures Retrofitting
- Miscellaneous Structures Fence Retrofit
- Miscellaneous Structures Retaining Wall Retrofit

Recommended Retrofit

- Retrofit Exterior Covering Partial Retrofit - Bottom 2 Feet
- Performance Goal Prevent embers, windblown debris and local fuels from igniting the wall
- Hardening Action Replace exterior wall covering with noncombustible material for the bottom 2 ft (from ground); add metal flashing to protect bottom edge of sheathing



Example Minimum Quality Standard

- Replace exterior wall covering for the bottom 2 ft (from ground).
- The replacement of the exterior covering shall comply with one or more of the following requirements as described in CBC 707A.3 Exterior Wall Coverings or R337.7.3 Exterior Wall Coverings:
 - Noncombustible material
 - Ignition-resistant material. The ignition-resistant material shall be labeled for exterior use and shall meet the requirements of Section 704A.2.
 - Fire-retardant-treated wood. The fire-retardant-treated wood shall be labeled for exterior use and shall meet the requirements of Section 2303.2.
- The installation of the exterior covering shall comply with the products manufacturer's installation instructions.

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- The installation of the exterior covering shall comply with CBC Chapter 14 Exterior Walls, Section 1404.1-1404.18 or CRC Chapter 7 Wall Covering, Section R703.1-703.17.
- Wall penetrations shall be protected by an approved penetration firestop system installed as tested in accordance with ASTM E119, ASTM E814, UL 263, or UL 1479 with a positive pressure differential of not less than 0.01 of an inch of water (0.002 kPa).
- Replacement building components shall have a primer and paint applied that matches current the building color.
- Building components being replaced will be the responsibility of the contractor to remove and disposed of at an approved disposal site

Any Questions?