



# USE CAUTION WHEN CLEARING WEEDS AND BRUSH

Do your part **SAFELY** to keep your community fire safe!

- Cut or mow grass down to maximum of 4 inches
- Remove all dead or dying vegetation
- Remove leaves, pine needles from yard, roofs and rain gutters
- Trim trees back 10 feet from chimneys
- Remove combustible material under and around decks
- Create a separation between low-level vegetation and tree branches

## Brush Clearing Before and After



### Here's how to do it **SAFELY**:

- Do all maintenance before 10 a.m. or after 6 p.m.
- Remove rocks in the area before you begin operating any equipment!
- Use weed trimmers with nylon or synthetic cord to trim down vegetation!
- **NEVER** work in the heat of the day or when the wind is blowing!
- **NEVER** burn weeds, trash or rubbish!
- **NEVER** use lawn mowers to mow dry vegetation!
- **NEVER** use weed trimmers with metal blades!
- **NEVER** put yourself in harms way to extinguish a fire!
- Keep a cell phone nearby and call **911** immediately in case of a fire!

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