

## **FIRE PREVENTION POLICY AND LIFE SAFETY PROGRAM FOR THE WOODS (DEPARTMENT 78)**

### **THE GOAL**

The goal of the Fire Prevention Policy and Life Safety Program for The Woods (Department 78) is to educate Lake Forest II homeowners about our fire prevention program. The program consists of two sections:

#### **I. MANDATORY MEASURES**

The Mandatory Measures are enforceable by the Association's Community Services Department.

##### **A. Article III, Section 3.02H, of the CC&Rs**

Maintenance of Lawn Plantings: Each owner of property within Single-Family areas shall keep all shrubs, trees, grass and plantings of every kind on his property neatly trimmed, properly cultivated, and free of trash, weeds and other unsightly materials. (Excerpt)

##### **B. Lake Forest II Master Homeowners Association Vehicle and Parking Rules**

Vehicle and Parking Rules: Lake Forest II Master Homeowners Association has its own Vehicle and Parking Rules, which include some portions of the California Vehicle Code. (Copies of the Lake Forest II Vehicle and Parking Rules, and a copy of the California Vehicle Code, are available at the Association offices.)

Listed below is important information regarding width clearance for private and public streets, which allows adequate access space for fire and emergency vehicles, equipment and operations.

1. Parking is not permitted on the following Lake Forest II private streets and cul-de-sacs, as the width clearance is less than twenty-eight feet (28'). These restricted parking areas will be identified by signage provided by the Lake Forest II Master Homeowners Association.

- a. Eucalyptus Lane in two (2) different locations

- b. Intersection of Heartwood Circle and Trailview Terrace

- c. Intersection of Sleepy Hollow Terrace and Ironbark
- d. Wandering Lane between the cross streets of Shady Rim Circle and Brittlewood Circle.

2. Parking is permitted on one side only of private streets and cul-de-sacs that are a minimum of twenty-eight feet (28') wide.
3. Parking is permitted on both sides of the streets that have a minimum width of thirty-six feet (36').
4. Parking is not permitted within fifteen feet (15') of a fire hydrant.

C. Chimney Spark Arresters

Spark arresters must be installed on all chimneys of all homes in Department 78 (The Woods). For information, call the City of Lake Forest Community Development Department, Building Division, at 461-3460, or the Orange County Fire Authority at (714) 744-0400.

D. No Smoking in The Woods

For safety reasons, smoking is prohibited in The Woods common areas and ravines.

E. Motor Vehicles Prohibited in Common Areas

1. All motorized vehicles, including motorcycles, motor scooters, all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), or vehicles with catalytic converters, except for Association Maintenance vehicles, are banned from operation in any of the Lake Forest II Master Homeowner Association common areas.
2. The fine for violation of this policy shall be \$125.00 for the first offense.

II. RECOMMENDED MEASURES

The Lake Forest II Master Homeowners Association recommends the following:

**Fire Prevention Materials & Services:** The Association encourages homeowners to obtain referrals for all fire prevention-related services, materials and contractors. The California Contractors State License Board provides information for homeowners on "What You Should Know Before You Hire a Contractor", contractor license status check, revoked licenses listing, etc. Call (800) 321-CSLB, or visit [www.cslb.ca.gov](http://www.cslb.ca.gov) on the Web.

- A. Smoke Detectors. See "Exhibit A", #1, or for more information, please call the Orange County Fire Authority Inspection Services at (949) 347-2240, or visit their website at [www.ocfa.org](http://www.ocfa.org).
- B. A Building Permit is required for almost all alterations done to your home. For information, call the City of Lake Forest Community Development Department, Building Division, at (949) 461-3460.
- C. Chimney Spark Arresters. For information, call the City of Lake Forest Community Development Department, Building Division, at (949) 461-3460 or the Orange County Fire Authority Inspection Services at (949) 347-2240, or visit their website at [www.ocfa.org](http://www.ocfa.org).  
Note: Chimney Spark Arresters are mandatory in Department 78, The Woods.
- D. Planned Escape Routes. See Exhibit "A", #4, Exit Drill in the Home (E.D.I.T.H.). For more information, call the Orange County Fire Authority Inspection Services at (949) 347-2240, or visit their website at [www.ocfa.org](http://www.ocfa.org).
- F. Fire Extinguishers. See Exhibit "A", #5. For more information, call the Orange County Fire Authority Inspection Services at (949) 347-2240, or visit their website at [www.ocfa.org](http://www.ocfa.org).
- G. Residential Fire Sprinklers. See "Standard Automatic Sprinkler Notes" in the "Residents" section at [www.ocfa.org](http://www.ocfa.org).
- H. Defensible Space Around Your Home. See Exhibit "A", attached.
- I. Potential Eucalyptus Tree Fire Threat. See Exhibit "A" (Access), attached.
- J. Emergency/Disaster Preparedness. For information, call the Orange County Emergency Management Division, Office of Emergency Services, at (714) 628-7055.
- K. Disaster Services.
1. American Red Cross - (415) 835-5381 (24-hour)
  2. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) -  
(415) 923-7100 (24-hour)  
Disaster Assistance Registration: (800) 462-9029  
Disaster Assistance Information: (800) 525-0321
- L. Fire Retardant Roof Products. For information on MAC-approved Class A Roofing Materials, contact Lake Forest II Community Services Department at (949) 586-0860.

- M. Address Lighting Enhancers. For information, call your local home improvement center.
- N. Low-Fuel Plant Materials. An extensive list of recommended plants for fire prone areas is available on the OC Fire Authority's website at [www.ocfa.org](http://www.ocfa.org). For more information, please call OCRA Inspection Services at (949) 347-2240
- O. Tree Trimming Services. For a list of tree trimmers, call Lake Forest II Community Services Department at (949) 586-0860, or contact a State-licensed arborist.
- P. Curbside Painting of Addresses. For information, refer to your telephone directory yellow pages.

### III. INTEREST-FREE OR LOW-INTEREST HOME IMPROVEMENT LOANS

For information, call the City of Lake Forest Community Development Department, Block Grant Staff, at (949) 461-3460.

### IV. LAKE FOREST II FIRE PREVENTION LIBRARY

A Fire Prevention Information manual is available for review at the Sun & Sail Club for the convenience of Lake Forest II residents. This manual includes, but is not limited to, the topics listed below.

#### A. Preventive

1. Woods Fire Study and Recommendations (City of Lake Forest and Orange County Fire Department, 1994)
2. Reducing Wildfire Threat
3. Fire-safe Roofing Materials
4. Fire Prevention Checklist
5. Tips for Fire Safety
6. Fire Safety Tips for Babysitters
7. Sprinklers, Smoke Detectors, Fire Extinguishers
8. Home Escape Plan, Exit Drills, Fire Escape Ladder
9. Household Hazardous Products
10. Carbon Monoxide Poisoning
11. Arson Control
12. Crime Prevention
13. Contractors--What You Should Know
14. How to use "911" Effectively

#### B. Post-Fire

After A Fire - Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Application and Information.