

Urgent

THE LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT NEEDS YOUR HELP!

The Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) is doing everything it can to prepare for a potentially severe brush fire season. Your help is urgently needed. There are many areas in your neighborhood that become inaccessible to Firefighters due to illegal parking. When a Fire Engine is blocked by an illegally parked car, Firefighters will be delayed and your life and home could be lost! In recent years, several deaths and millions of dollars in fire damage were directly related to blocked and narrowed streets.

What You Can Do To Help the LAFD!

- ✓ Follow all posted and local area parking restrictions both night and day.
- ✓ Report illegally parked vehicles immediately: **(818)752-5100 or (213)485-4184**
- ✓ If you live on a narrow street or in the hills, always park your vehicle in your driveway or garage.

When Is It Unsafe To Park On The Street?

- ✓ If your street is less than 28' wide, it is unsafe and illegal to park on any side.
- ✓ If you live near a curve on a narrow street, it is unsafe to park near the curved area if it will prevent an emergency vehicle from passing.
- ✓ If your street is less than 36' wide, it is unsafe and illegal for vehicles to be parked on both sides of the street. Parking is allowed on one side only.
- ✓ It is unsafe and illegal to park within 15' of a fire hydrant.

NOTE: Illegally parked vehicles will be immediately ticketed and/or towed.

Additional considerations:

- If you are required to evacuate, remember to allow access for emergency vehicles.
- Prepare a list of valuables that you cannot risk losing in a fire (i.e. photos, documents, computer files, etc.), and keep this list readily available. Preparing such a list now will allow you to quickly gather these items if an evacuation is necessary.
- Visit your Neighborhood Fire Station or WWW.LAFD.ORG for more information.

Remember, Brush Fire Safety Is Everyone's Responsibility!