

## CARMEL VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

### **SPECIAL EVACUATION instructions**

IF YOU ARE TOLD TO EVACUATE – the order will be given by the MONTEREY COUNTY SHERIFF. It may be a voluntary, precautionary or mandatory order to evacuate, due to the possibility or probability of an approaching wild fire or extreme health risk due to wild fire.

When the evacuation order is given, leave home within 15 minutes or less, and take these things:

- Prescriptions/medications/eyeglasses
- Money/checks/credit cards
- Drivers license/keys: post/safety box/business/residence
- Insurance papers/passports/valuable papers
- Irreplaceable photographs/keepsakes/address book
- Home inventory information/cell phone
- Clothing/ toilet items/jacket
- Pets/lease/carrier/pet food/water
- Non-perishable food/drinking water/flashlight

If you are told you have more time to evacuate consider removing as many family valuables, computers, software and other irreplaceable items, more clothing, etc. as possible.

1. LOAD your vehicle(s).
2. TURN OFF all portable electrical appliances, lights, television, computer, etc.
3. CLOSE all windows and curtains and secure windows coverings or shutters. Shut all inside doors.
4. OPEN fireplace damper BUT close fireplace screen or glass doors.
5. LOCK all outside doors and REMEMBER to bring your car and house keys with you.
6. HANG or TIE Orange TAG on the outside of your front door indicating you have "evacuated."
7. PROCEED in your vehicle(s) in the direction you have been instructed. You will be asked to LEAVE CARMEL VALLEY. If you live east of the Los Laureles Grade you will most likely be instructed to exit via Los Laureles Grade. If you live west of Los Laureles Grade, you will most likely be asked to exit on Carmel Valley Road to Highway One North towards Monterey. TRAFFIC CONTROL WILL BE IN PLACE – DRIVE CAREFULLY.
8. Red Cross Shelter Information will be provided if it is available at the time of the evacuation order.
9. If you live in the Carmel Valley Village and you hear 3 "blasts" on the fire siren, turn your radio to 830 AM for special announcements.
10. The Carmel Valley Fire District phone numbers are 624-5907 or 659-2021. The Monterey County Office of Emergency Services is 796-1991 (Public Information ) or 796-1900.