

Cowichan 2025 FireSmart Rebate Program (“the Program”)

FOR HOMEOWNERS IN THE ELECTORAL AREAS OF THE COWICHAN VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT, TOWN OF LADYSMITH, AND CITY OF DUNCAN

The FireSmart Rebate Program has been introduced for the City of Duncan, the Electoral Areas of the Cowichan Valley Regional District, and the Town of Ladysmith.

Funded through the Community Resiliency Investment Program, qualified homeowners may apply for **up to \$4,000** for completing recommended FireSmart mitigation activities on their residential property.



Step 1 Get a free FireSmart Home Assessment



Step 2 Submit Initial Application Form



Step 3 Complete work within 90 days



Step 4 Submit Final Documentation

Qualified Applicants:

1. The applicant must be the homeowner (as listed on land title or personal home insurance policy);
2. The property must be the owner’s primary residence, and/or occupied as a primary residence for all suites; and
3. The home or property must be in City of Duncan, Town of Ladysmith, or CVRD electoral area A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, or I.



Step 1 Get a free FireSmart Home Assessment

Book a free FireSmart Home Assessment:

Call 250-746-2560

Email Firesmart@emcowichan.ca

Website <https://emcowichan.ca/firesmart-home-assessment-request/>

EMC FireSmart staff will come to your property to provide a free home assessment. They will provide a range of recommendations to make your property more resistant to wildfire.



Step 2 Submit Initial Application Form to confirm eligibility

Submit initial application form for the Program. EMC staff will confirm availability of the rebate and your eligibility (see Terms & Conditions below). A completed application form does not guarantee approval of a rebate.



Step 3 Complete work

Complete any of the recommendations provided in your FireSmart Home Assessment Report. You are not required to complete all recommendations to be eligible.

You can complete work on your own, with help from friends and neighbours, and/or hire a professional to complete the work. Work and final documentation must be completed within 90 days. For labour, the [FireSmart 2025 Work Form](#) must be completed.

Be sure to take “before and after” photos of the work done and keep any receipts.



Step 4 Submit final documentation

Submit final documentation, receipts and photos by email (firesmart@emcowichan.ca) or in person (call 250-252-8868 for an appointment) **within 90 days** of your application.

The FireSmart team will review documentation (this will include an additional visit to the property to verify completion). If approved under the Program, the Homeowner will be notified and a rebate reimbursement will be issued by either cheque or electronic transfer (within approximately 30-90 days).