



Protect Your Home During Fire Season

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Officially wildfire season is upon us. But as you know, in Southern California EVERY SEASON IS FIRE SEASON, especially in canyons and wild brush areas.

Even fires miles away are a threat. Wildfires often create ember storms that send thousands of tiny burning particles flying through the air. Blowing ash and burning embers from *as far as 4 miles away* can enter attic, gable and foundation vents of your home.

These ember attacks penetrate the most vulnerable parts of a home, and the standard vents in our houses invite them in! Embers stack up like sand in a sand storm leading to attic and crawl space fires that can destroy your home in a matter of minutes.

You might remember the November 2008 Freeway Complex Fire, witnessed firsthand by Rusty Townsend, owner of The Remodeling Center, a local kitchen and bath remodeling business. That experience made him and his wife, Leah, realize how under-prepared most homeowners are for fire safety. As a result, they decided to expand their product line to include Class A and Class B Fire Rated items. They are now authorized installers for the finest fire-rated home safety products and building materials available today.

One of the newest and most effective fire prevention products they carry is Ember Proof Vents. While defensible space, trimming of vegetation, and maintaining safe entrance and exit zones are critical to fire safety, equally important is upgrading to flame and ember proof vents. Tragically, many Southern California homes damaged or lost in recent fires could have been saved had their owners simply upgraded the vents.

The Problem with Fire Embers

- Embers from any source are dangerous, whether from wildfires or your next door neighbor.
- Embers threaten dwellings and structures well before the fire arrives and long after it has passed.
- Embers entering through vents can burn a structure from the inside out.

A Quick Affordable Solution Approved by California Dept. of Forestry & Fire Protection

Cal Fire (CBC Ch7 Compliance Policy)

In as little as one day, for less money than you might think, we will fit your home with flame and ember proof vents. We can install new vents or simply retrofit your existing vents. Upgraded vents can STOP dangerous burning embers, heat and flames from entering into your attic and crawl spaces. This one measure can help prevent a catastrophic loss.

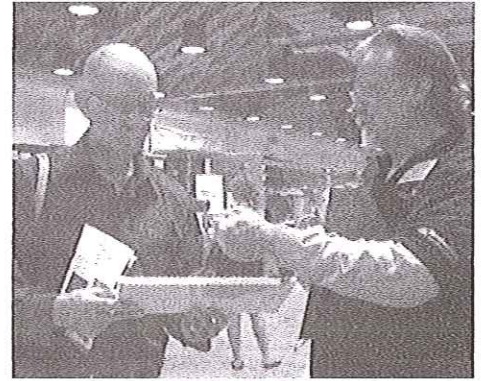
Additional Benefits to Upgrading your Home with Ember Proof Vents

- **Keeps vermin out**—they are unable to chew through or enter the vents
- **Possible insurance discounts**—smoke alarms, security systems and other protective devices can earn premium discounts on your homeowner's insurance. Chubb and Fireman's Fund, for example, offer nice premium discounts for upgraded fire safety measures. Check with your insurance company for similar opportunities to save money.
- **No lapse in insurance coverage**—some insurance companies may consider policy cancellation if homes in high fire risk areas are not retrofitted with fire safety products.
- **Decreased threat of losing family heirlooms and irreplaceable items**—Upgrading your home with fire safe products can reduce your loss and greatly increase the chances that you will have these items to hand down to future generations.

The Remodeling Center offers a wide selection of Class A and Class B fire-rated products, all of which are fully tested, certified, and approved by the California State Fire Marshal.

We carry:

- Vulcan and Brandguard Fire and Ember Proof Vents
- James Hardie fire-safe cement siding, also approved for boxing eaves
- TimberSil glass infused wood that won't burn or decay and is insect resistant
- TimberTech Class A flame-rated composite deck-



Rusty Townsend, owner, talks with a customer about Vulcan Vents.

ing material, available in many textures and colors

- Thermo-Gel protective sprays for home and vegetation. (This gel is used by fire fighters)
- American GutterFil fire resistant rain gutters and stay-clean gutter filters

As responsible business owners, we stay informed on new and changing building codes, work along side the local fire department, and maintain close working relationships with all of our vendors, so that we can effectively educate our customers and the community about products and which application is best suited for each situation.

If you are interested in learning more about ember proof vents or a home renovation project, ask for a free no obligation, in-home consultation. We accept all major credit cards. Call 714-993-0123 or email leah@emberproofvents.com.

The Remodeling Center, owned by Rusty and Leah Townsend, is a local home remodeling business specializing in kitchen and bath remodeling, room additions, and overall residential remodeling projects. LICENSE NO. 379811

We stay current on the California Building Code (CBC) and the new Chapter 7A building codes for Wildland Urban Interface Projects (WUI). Ask before you hire a contractor, not all contractors are familiar with WUI or the Fire Severity Hazard Zone areas.

Please visit www.emberproofvents.com for product details, test reports, and information on the Chapter 7A Building Code. We also have an area of studies completed by UC Berkeley and other respected entities.

Protect your home with *Thermo-Gel*®



Wildfires don't just happen in some remote area. Urban interface areas, farms and homes are all within reach. Every year fires threaten or destroy homes like yours. Thousands of wildfires strike North America each year. In some cases, homes and developments are outside of local fire department boundaries. Firefighters may be a distance away and not able to get to your home or neighborhood in time.

- US Forest Service Approved.
- Environmentally compatible.
- Protects your home, shrubs, trees, propane tanks and outbuildings.
- Applied quickly and efficiently with a standard garden hose.
- Rinses off with plain water.



(Kit Contents)

Thermo-Gel Homeowner Fire Protection Kit contains:

- (4) 1 gallon containers
- (1) Applicator
- (1) Instruction sheet
- (1) Homeowner kit sign

Thermo-Gel Homeowner Fire Protection Kit will protect up to 4,000 square feet.



Actual photos of homes and businesses saved by *Thermo-Gel*.



This product is covered by U.S. patent numbers 5,989,446 & 6,245,252. Other patents pending.

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