

## Law 14 de Fevereiro de 2018

### ATTACHMENT

#### Criteria for the management of fuels within the of the secondary fuel management networks

I. For the purposes of fuel management in the scope of the surrounding secondary fuel management networks to buildings, population clusters, equipment and infrastructures, to the tree strata, shrubs and shrubs, not integrated into areas agricultural, with the exception of fallow and pasture areas or garden, the following criteria shall apply:

- a) In the tree stratum the distance between the canopies of the must be at least 10 m in stands **pine and eucalyptus trees**, and should be in 50% of its height until it reaches 8 m, height from which the debris should reach at least 4 m above ground;
- (b) In the tree stratum, in **the species not mentioned in the previous paragraph**, the distance between the treetops must be at least 4 m and the must be 50% of the height of the tree until it reaches the 8 m, height from which the debris should reach at least 4 m above ground;
- c) In the **shrub stratum** the maximum height of the vegetation shall not exceed 50 cm;
- d) In the **sub shrub stratum** the maximum height of the vegetation shall not exceed 20 cm.

II. In the case of **road network infrastructures** to which associated tree alignments with special heritage or landscape value, although of the species provided for in paragraph 1 (a), shall be guaranteed by the preservation of the grove the provisions of the previous number in a range corresponding to the vertical projection of the limits of its canopies plus a wide band not less than 10 m on each side.

III. In the bands of surrounding fuel management to buildings must still be complied with, cumulatively, following criteria:

- 1 - The tops of **trees and shrubs must be distances at least 5 m** from the building, **avoiding still its projection on the roof** of the building.
- 2 - Exceptionally, in the case of trees of special heritage or landscape value may be a distance of less than 5 m provided that it is the horizontal and vertical discontinuity of fuels and the absence of accumulation of fuels is guaranteed on the roof of the building.
- 3 - Whenever possible, a paved range from 1 m to 2 m wide, surrounding the whole building.
- 4 - No accumulation may occur of combustible substances, such as firewood, wood or leftovers from forest or agricultural exploitation, as well as other highly flammable substances.

IV. In the case of fuel management bands which cover trees classified to be of public interest, in protection zones of national buildings and monuments, patches of trees with special heritage or landscape value or patches of trees and other vegetation protected by nature conservation and biodiversity, as identified in an instrument forest management, or other management instruments or management of the Natura 2000 network, the municipal forest defense committee can approve criteria for management of fuels.

V. The application of the criteria set out may be waived on request submitted by the responsible entity if the measures result in a significant and substantiated risk to the soil and slope stability of road or railways, through an order of the members of the Government responsible for civil protection and infrastructures.