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THE HOME
YOUR BEST
PROTECTION**



**IS A
WORKING
SMOKE
ALARM**

**A FIRE SAFETY MESSAGE FROM
THE NEW JERSEY DIVISION OF FIRE
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MULCH



FIRES

**STEPS TO
PREVENT
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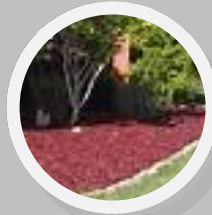


Landscaping mulch has become the predominant choice for both residential and commercial ground cover.

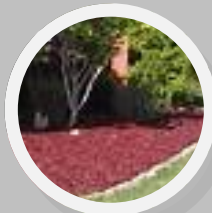
However its use comes with certain risks you should be aware of.



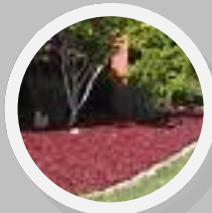
PREVENT MULCH FIRES



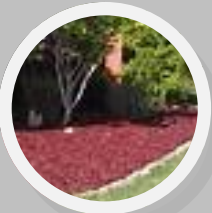
Provide a minimum 18-inch space between mulch beds and combustible building materials.



Provide proper clearance for electric devices such as decorative lights by following the manufacturer's instructions.



When the weather is hot and there has been little or no rain mulch fires can start usually in the afternoon.



Consider replacing mulch with decorative stone.