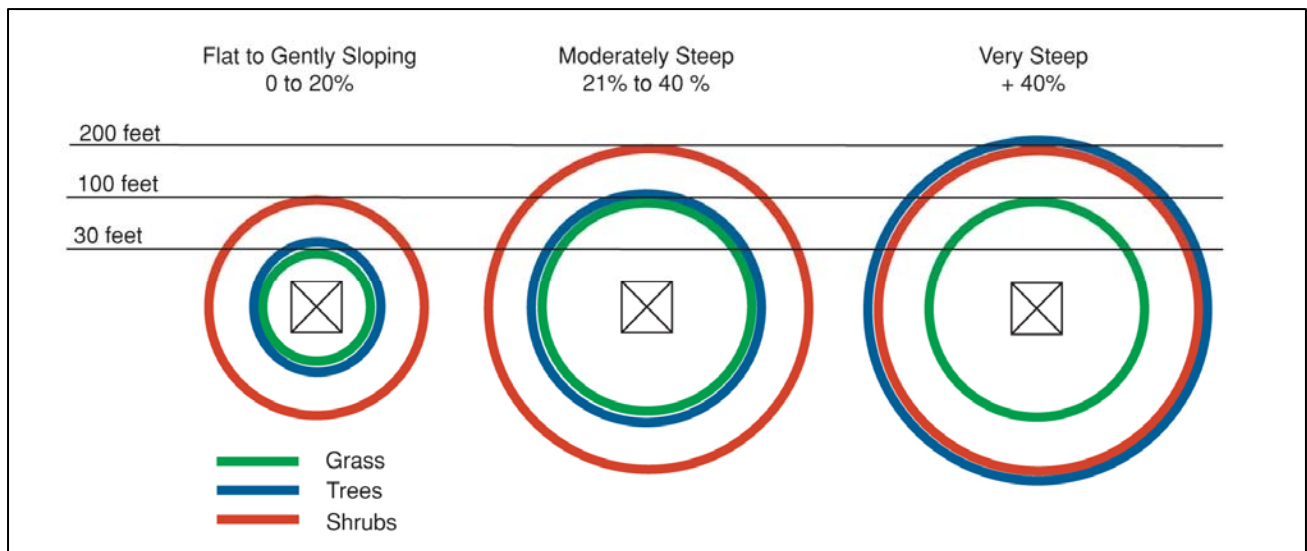


## **CALCULATING DEFENSIBLE SPACE**

### **Recommended Distances Based On Steepness of Slope**

1. First, find the percent slope which best describes your property.
2. Next, find the type of vegetation which best describes the wild plants growing on or near your property.
3. Finally, locate the number of feet corresponding to your slope and vegetation. This is your recommended defensible space. Also, consider larger setbacks away from the slope.



**Grass** is defined as wildland grasses (such as cheatgrass), weeds and scattered shrubs surrounded by grass.

**Shrubs** include shrub dominant areas such as sagebrush, gamble oak and pinyon juniper.

**Trees** include forested areas. If substantial grass or shrubs are present, use the values described above.

*Source: Institute for Business and Home Safety*