



United States Department of Agriculture

Bighorn National Forest Timber Products Guide

Permits are valid for products only on the
Bighorn National Forest

Limber pine may not be removed. Ask for characteristics.

Understand before you purchase, we cannot give refunds. The permittee must be 18 years of age or older. **This is a guide and does not replace the terms and conditions of the permit.**

A permit is issued for the forest product along with tags. Each tag must be signed by the permittee. The permittee must be present when the wood is cut and gathered. If not, an authorization for another person to be present can be obtained from the Forest Service office.

Before moving gathered wood, mark the tag(s) in an appropriate way to show when the wood was taken from the forest – month and date. Staple, tack or nail the tag to the BACK of the load.

To retrieve product, the permittee is allowed to travel up to 300 feet off of any designated Forest Service road, provided no resource damage occurs.

Wood product can be removed anywhere in the forest **except** active timber sales, research natural areas, Cloud Peak Wilderness, administrative sites, campgrounds, picnic grounds, recreation sites, resorts and in areas signed/posted as being closed to firewood cutting. No cutting is allowed in areas marked with blue, orange or yellow paint.

Mail-in permits are available through the Bighorn National Forest Service website at: <https://www.usda.fs.gov/bighorn> . “Forest Products” are located on the right side of the page. In that section, the mail-in permit forms are found for each of the products.

Check with local forest service offices for fire restrictions. It’s always a good idea to keep a bucket of water and a shovel handy for incidental fires.

Please remember that cutting and transporting wood can be hazardous.

**Medicine Wheel Ranger District – Greybull
Powder River Ranger District – Buffalo
Tongue River Ranger District – Sheridan**

**307-765-4435
307-684-7806
307-674-2600**

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FIREWOOD

Firewood permits are available year-round and expire December 31 of the year issued.

- Cost is \$6.00 a cord
- Minimum of 4 cords (\$24.00)
- Maximum of 12 cords in a year
- Maximum length is 8 feet with no maximum diameter
- Each tag is for ½ cord. ½ cord measures 6' x 4.5' x 2.5'. If ¾ of a cord is taken, 2 tags must be attached to the load. A full cord measures 4' x 4' x 8'.
- Any tree (dead down or standing dead) may be taken. Cut stumps as low to the ground as possible and scatter limbs and branches.

POST AND POLE

Post and pole permits are available in dead down or standing dead **OR** live poles:

Dead down or standing dead is available year round and expire December 31 of the year issued.

Live poles are available from July 1 through September 30.

Live teepee pole sets are available from May 15 through August 31.

- Live teepee pole sets are available at no charge (one set is 24 poles)
- Dead or live poles are \$9.00 per set (one set is 20 poles)
- Minimum of 3 sets (60 poles for \$27.00)
- Maximum of 20 sets (400 poles for \$180.00) per year
- Maximum diameter is 7" (for reference, the colored load ticket tag is 7" wide) with no maximum length
- There is no designated area for post and pole cutting. Cut stumps as low to the ground as possible and scatter limbs and branches.

TRANSPLANTS

- Minimum of 4 tags, maximum of 5 tags (\$5.00 each)
- Maximum height for conifers is 6 feet from ground
- Maximum height for aspen is 10 feet from ground
- Maximum height for shrubs is 3 feet from ground
- Available from Memorial Day, expire December 31 of year issued.

ADDITIONAL PRODUCTS – NO PERMIT REQUIRED

(Except if any species is threatened, endangered, sensitive or of local concern)

- A maximum of ten 6" trees, in any combination.
- Seeds (¼ ounce – flower, grass or shrub)
- Mushrooms (3 gallons loosely packed)
- Cones (2 bushels with or without seeds)
- Willows (10 cuttings)
- Picking wildflowers.

