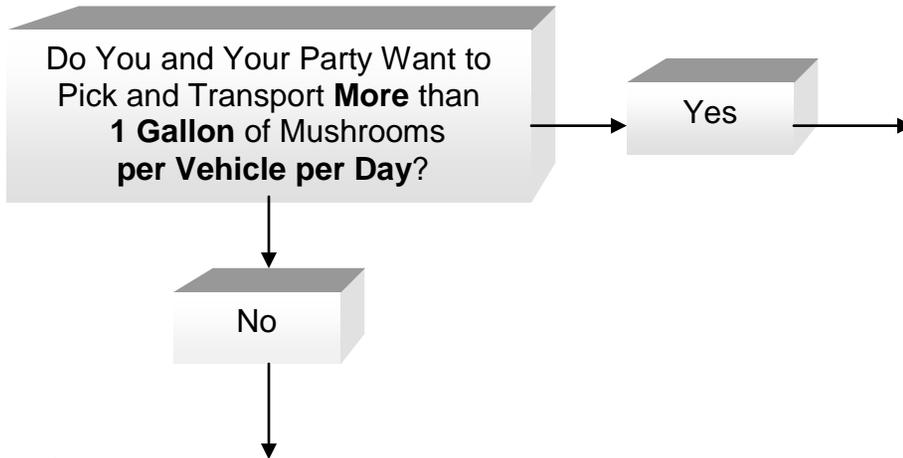


# Guide to Picking Mushrooms on the Mt. Hood National Forest

**Planning to Pick and Transport Mushrooms from the Mt. Hood National Forest? Please use the information below to find out if you need a permit.** (Generally, the **quantity** of mushrooms that you and your party plan to pick and transport determines whether you must have a permit.)



**A free use mushroom permit is required.** Permits are available by visiting one of the Mt. Hood National Forest Offices in person. These permits are available at no charge. With a permit in their possession, each person with a permit may pick up to one gallon of mushrooms per day, for a maximum of 10 days per year. **A fee permit is required for all commercial use, and if you would like to pick and transport more than 1 gallon of mushrooms per person per day.**

Picking and transporting **1 Gallon of Mushrooms or less Per VEHICLE per Day (regardless of # of occupants in the vehicle)** is considered and defined as “incidental free use”. **No permit is required.** However, please have a copy of “Mushroom Incidental Free Use Guidelines” in your possession while picking and transporting Mushrooms. (Also available at all offices of the Mt. Hood National Forest.)

## Other Key Information

- Free use mushroom permits are required to pick in the “Old Maid Flat” area of the Zigzag Ranger District (phone number on reverse) to obtain a permit. Permits are available on a limited basis to protect natural resources.
- Please follow mushroom picking best practices listed on reverse.
- Please see listing of Mt. Hood National Forest offices and hours on reverse.
- Oregon State law requires the occupants of any vehicle to have a valid permit if the occupants are transporting more than 1 gallon of mushrooms from the National Forest.

## **Mushroom Picking “Best Practices”**

- No mushroom harvesting is allowed in Late Successional Reserves, Research Natural Areas, Botanical Areas, campgrounds, summer homes, and other developed recreation sites. Maps of areas open to Mushroom picking are available at all offices of the Mt. Hood National Forest.
- Practice Good Ethics. Don't pick an area clean of mushrooms.
- It is acceptable to cut or pull mushrooms at ground level. **However**, replace displaced ground material and divots.
- Do not use rakes to gather mushrooms as this technique creates too much disturbance.
- Remember: if you pack it in, pack it out!

## **Mt. Hood National Forest Offices and Hours**

**Barlow Ranger District - Dufur Ranger Station**, 780 NE Court Street, Dufur, Oregon 97021 (541) 467-2291. Office hours are 7:45 AM to 4:30 PM Monday thru Friday.

**Clackamas River Ranger Station**, 595 NW Industrial Way, Estacada, OR (503) 630-6861. Office hours are 7:45 AM to 4:30 PM Monday thru Friday. The office is closed from 11:30- 12:30.

**Hood River Ranger Station**, 6780 Highway 35, Parkdale, OR (541) 352-6002. Office hours are 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM Monday thru Friday.

**Zigzag Ranger Station**, 70220 E. Highway 26, Zigzag, OR (503) 622-3191. Office hours are 7:45 AM to 4:30 PM Monday thru Friday. The office is closed 12:00-1:00.

**Mt. Hood National Forest, Headquarters Office**, 16400 Champion Way, Sandy, Oregon (503) 668-1700. Office hours are 7:30 AM to 4:30 PM Monday thru Friday. The office is closed 11:30-12:30.