



George Washington & Jefferson National Forests

Frequently Asked Questions and Directions for Gathering Wood

PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN ONE COPY OF THE PERMIT TO THE RANGER DISTRICT OFFICE THAT ISSUED IT

Where can I gather wood on the forest?

Wood can be gathered anywhere on the George Washington & Jefferson National Forests **EXCEPT**:

- Recreation Areas
- Wilderness Areas
- Marked Timber Sale Areas

Where can I drive my vehicle to get the wood?

- Vehicles can only be operated on open roads. Cross country driving is prohibited.

How much wood can be gathered?

- You are permitted to gather FOUR cords of wood

How much is four cords?

- 8 loads in a truck with an 8-foot long bed.
- 11 loads in a truck with a 6-foot long bed.
- 16 loads in a mini-pickup truck.

Other things to keep in mind

- Display your permit on your dashboard while gathering wood.
- Make sure you are not on private land. Private land holdings are common within national forest areas. The boundary between private and public land is normally a three-foot corridor with marked trees on each side. Private land is behind **ONE** red blaze. National forest land is behind **TWO** red blazes.

- Check page 3 of the permit for other restrictions specific to the ranger district you are cutting on.