



Personal Use Fuelwood Gathering Program

Stanislaus National Forest

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Personal Use Fuelwood Permits are available, with unlimited availability, April 15 through December 15.

Minimum cost of Permit is \$25.00 for two-and-a-half-cords, with a maximum purchase of 10 cords per household. The permit allows the cutting and gathering of "DEAD and DOWN" wood. You may not cut standing trees (green or dead) at any time.

How to Get Started

The permit and accompanying load tags entitle the purchaser to transport wood from the Forest to the address specified on the permit.

Forest product cutting, gathering, removal or hauling shall be limited to daylight hours (1/2 hours before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset). Do not cut or remove forest products where prohibited. "Closed" are active timber sale areas, areas or roads closed by Forest Supervisor's Order, the Experimental Forest,

campgrounds, and administrative sites. You must check to see if it is a permissive woodcutting day. Call (209) 532-5601 for a recorded message or contact any of the offices listed below.

When gathering fuelwood, a chainsaw, a shovel and fire extinguisher are required at the cutting site. Cut in open areas-away from dry grass, leaves, brush or decaying wood. Motor vehicle travel and parking is limited to one vehicle length (vehicle and trailer) from the National Forest Transportation System Routes.

You may purchase a Stanislaus National Forest map at any Forest Service office. Make certain you are only cutting wood in those areas shown as light green on the Forest map-not the wilderness areas designated as dark green or private property areas designated as white.



Permits can be purchased at these locations:

Stanislaus National Forest Headquarters

19777 Greenley Road
Sonora, CA 95370

(209) 532-3671 TDD: (209) 533-0765

Mi-Wok Ranger District

24695 Highway 108, PO Box 100
Mi Wuk Village, CA 95346
(209) 586-3234 TDD: (209) 586-0262

Summit Ranger District

#1 Pinecrest Lake Road
Pinecrest, CA 95364
(209) 965-3434 TDD: (209) 965-0488

Calaveras Ranger District

5519 Highway 4, PO Box 500
Hathaway Pines, CA 95233
(209) 795-1381 TDD: (209) 795-2854

Groveland Ranger District

24545 Highway 120
Groveland, CA 95321
(209) 962-7825 TDD: (209) 962-6406



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How Much Is A Cord Of Wood?

A standard or full cord is a well-stacked pile that measures 4x4x8 feet (or 128 cubic feet of wood). Use the chart below to estimate how much firewood your truck can carry.



Truck Type	Bed size	Cord Size
Mini	6' x 1½' x 4¾'	30%
Mini (loaded cab high)	6' x 3' x 4¾'	60%
Mini Longbed	8' x 1½' x 4¾'	40%
½ or ¾ ton	6' x 2' x 4½'	40%
½ or ¾ ton (loaded cab high)	6' x 4' x 4½'	80%
½ or ¾ ton Longbed	8' x 2½' x 5'	75%
½ or ¾ ton Longbed(loaded cab high)	8' x 4' x 5'	120%

Know the rules

- Keep your permit and load tags in your possession at all times when cutting or gathering wood.
- Punch out (do not just mark) wood tags with the correct date before leaving the cutting area.
- Complete the “Product Quantity Removal Record” on the first page of your permit before leaving the cutting area.
- Load tags must be attached prior to moving wood and must be visible from rear of load.
- Use one tag for each ¼ cord or any portion thereof.
- You are responsible for reading, understanding, and complying with all of the requirements on your permit.
- Please remove your cans, bottles and other litter.
- Obey all posted signs. Do not cut or remove forest products where prohibited. “Closed” areas include: active timber sale areas; areas or roads closed by Forest Supervisor’s Order; the Experimental Forest; and campgrounds or administrative sites.
- Remember, you are liable for fines ranging from \$50 to \$5,000 for violating woodcutting regulations.
- The individual named on the permit must be present.

