



Allegheny Brambles

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GET YOUR FIREWOOD LOCALLY FOR CAMPFIRES ON THE ALLEGHENY NATIONAL FOREST

PLEASE 'DON'T MOVE FIREWOOD' TO THE ALLEGHENY NATIONAL FOREST

Leave your campfire wood at home! Dangerous insects are hitching rides inside firewood to new forests as people travel from their home to their recreation area and back. Firewood left unburned at a campsite then becomes a place for the insects to safely emerge from under the bark and fly off to infest the forest. Forests in the four states surrounding Pennsylvania are infested with dangerous NON-NATIVE insects being moved by campers. Non-native means these insects are from other countries, such as China. These insects are killing parts of the forests in New York, Ohio, New Jersey and West Virginia.

No one in Pennsylvania wants these infestations to reach the beautiful and valuable forests people here enjoy, and that provide habitat for wildlife.

These dangerous insects have uncommon names such as the Emerald Ash Borer which kills ash trees. The Sirex woodwasp infects pine trees. The Asian longhorned beetle prefers to infect and kill maple trees but will attack other hardwoods, such as horsechestnut, black locust, elms, birches, willows, poplars and green ash. The hemlock woolly adelgid infects hemlock trees.

What can you do to protect our precious forest?

**LEAVE YOUR FIREWOOD AT HOME.
COLLECT OR BUY FIREWOOD ONCE YOU GET TO THE ALLEGHENY NATIONAL
FOREST.**

Where can I get firewood for my campsite if I don't bring it from home?

The following table lists the recreation areas on the Allegheny NF where firewood can either be purchased for a fee from the concessionaire, or is available in the woods near a camping area.

Firewood Available from Concessionaire	Firewood available in woods near site
<u>Allegheny Reservoir Campgrounds</u>	<u>Other Forest Service Campgrounds</u>
Dewdrop Recreation Area	Bear Creek Camping Site
Kiasutha Recreation Area	Red Mill Camping Site
Red Bridge Recreation Area	Kelly Pines Camping Site
Willow Bay Recreation Area	Minister Creek Campground
Handsome Lake Campground	Tionesta Lake Boat Access
Hooks Brooks Campground	
Hopewell Campground	
Morrison Campground	
Pine Grove Campground	
<u>Other Forest Service Campgrounds</u>	
Tracy Ridge Recreation Area	
Hearts Content Recreation Area	
Beaver Meadows Recreation Area	
Loleta Recreation Area	
Buckaloons Recreation Area	
Twin Lakes Recreation Area	
Beaver Meadows Campground	

Firewood is also available for sale at the following locations:

Northern part of the forest

- Howe's True Value, U.S. 6 east out of Warren (Warren County)
- Private seller on U.S. 6 across from Howe's True Value in Warren (Warren County)
- Private seller on north side of U.S. 6 at Tiona, east of Warren (Warren County)
- Private seller on north side of State Route 948 east of Sheffield (Warren County)
- Private seller on U.S. 62 near Tidioute (Warren County)
- Some Sheetz and Red Apple/Kwik-Fill gas stations
- Private seller on State Route 321 south of Kane (McKean County)
- Private seller on State Route 321 north of Wilcox (Elk County)

Southern part of the forest

- Russell City Store in DeYoung on State Route 948/66 in center of forest (Elk County)
- Haller's General Store in Tionesta (Forest County)
- Private seller in Gilfoyle on State Route 66 south of Marienville (Forest County)
- Private seller on State Route 36 two miles north of Sigel (Jefferson County)
- Concessionaire operators at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Tionesta Lake (Forest County)
- Whig Hill General Store on State Route 666 near Tionesta (Forest County)

The Forest Service does not imply support or preference for these firewood suppliers over other suppliers; we are merely supplying a list of firewood providers. If you want to collect additional firewood for your personal use at your home you need to purchase a Firewood Permit for \$20 from the Bradford (State Route 59 at Marshburg) or Marienville (State Route 66 at Marienville) District Offices.

Note to reporters: photos at http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/forests/allegheny/non_native_invasives.