

Gifford Pinchot National Forest, Firewood Permit Conditions
Designated Open Roads for 100 Foot Roadside Collection

Cowlitz Valley Ranger District

Valid January 2, 2026 to February 1, 2026

Down wood may be cut and removed within 100 feet of the road edge for the roads and road segments listed below.

Down wood that is within 150 feet of any aquatic feature (e.g. spring, stream, wetland, or lake) may **not** be cut and removed.

All other conditions on the permit and Attachment #1 apply.

The current Attachment #2 for the appropriate Ranger District must be in your possession. Attachment #2 is updated periodically and is specific to each Ranger District. To obtain the current Attachment 2 visit a District office or our website (www.fs.usda.gov/giffordpinchot).

Road Numbering

Primary roads on the Gifford Pinchot Motor Vehicle Use Map have 000 for their last three digits (i.e. 2300000, 2329000). On the ground these roads are signed by either their first two or four digits (i.e. 23, 2329)

Spur roads connect to primary roads. On the Gifford Pinchot Motor Vehicle Use Map spur roads have numbers other than 000 for the last three digits (i.e. 2329022). On the ground these roads are signed by their last three digits (i.e. 022).

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Road Number	From	To	Spur Road	Comment
20	Entering Forest Service	End	All	
21	Jct w/ 23	Jct w/ 2115	All	
2120	Jct w/ 21	End	All	
2130	Jct w/ 21	End	All	
2140	Jct w/ 21	End	All	
2150	Jct w/ 21	End	All	
2152	Jct w/ 2150	Jct w/ 2160	All	
2160	Jct w/ 21	End	All	
2164	Jct w/ 2160	End	All	
22	Jct w/ 23	Jct w/ 21	All	
2208	Jct w/ 22	End	All	
23	Jct w/28	Jct w/2329	None	
2300083	Jct w/ 23	End	All	
230085	Jct w/ 23	End	All	
2300106	Jct w/ 23	End	All	
2300108	Jct w/ 23	End	All	
2300171	Jct w/ 23	End	All	
2300161	Jct w/ 23	End	All	
2300165	Jct w/ 23	End	All	
2304	2304016	End	All	
2322	Jct w/ 23	End	All	
2324	Jct w/ 23	End	All	
2325	Jct w/ 23	End	All	
2329	Jct w/ 23	End	All	

25	Mile 11	99	None	
2513	Entering Forest Service	Leaving Forest Service	None	
2515	Jct w/25	End	All	
2516	Jct w/25	End	All	
2517	Jct w/25	End	All	
2518	Jct w/25	End	All	
28	1 Mile Above Jct w/ 76	2800146	All	
2809	Jct w/ 28	End	All	
2810	Jct w/ 28	End	All	
29	1 Mile Above Jct w/ 28	End	All	
2904	Jct w/ 29	End	All	
47 (Packwood End)	Jct w/ 52	Road Closed Sign/Slide	None	
47 (Randle End)	Entering Forest Service	Road Closed Sign/Slide	All	
4710	Entering Forest Service	End	All	
4715	Jct w/ 47	End	All	
4720	Jct w/ 47	Jct w. 4720037 (~2.72 miles above jct w/ 47)	All	
4725	Jct w/ 4725021	End	All	
4730	Jct w/ 47	Jct w/ 4772	All	
4740	Jct w/ 47	End	All	
4745	Jct w/ 47	End	All	
5270	Jct w/ 52	Jct w/ 5280	None	
55	Entering Forest Service (23 End)	Jct w/ 22	All	
5505	Jct w/ 55	End	All	
5508	Jct w/ 55	End	All	
56	Jct w/ 21	Jct w/ 2160	All	
5601	Jct w/ 56	End	All	
5603	Jct w/56	Jct w/2329	All	
59	Entering Forest Service	End	All - Does not include 5900037	
63	Entering Forest Service	Jct w/ 47	All	
75	Entering Forest Service	End	None	
77	Jct w/ 7708	Jct w/ 28	None	
7700063	Jct w/ 77	End	None	
7700104	Jct w/ 7700102	End	All	
7713	Jct w/ 77	End	All	
78	Jct w/ 22	Jct w/ 21	All	
7802	Jct w/ 78	End	All	
7807	Jct w/ 78	End	All	
7808	Jct w/ 78	End	All	
7812	Jct w/ 78	End	All	
85	Entering Forest Service (Ashford End ~MP 4)	Jct w/ 8518	All	
8510	Jct w/ 85	End	All	
8511	Jct w/ 85	End	All	
8518	Jct w/ 85	End	All	

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The permittee is authorized to cut and remove firewood from the Gifford Pinchot National Forest and administered lands as indicated on this Attachment by compliance with all conditions of this permit.

General Conditions

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>What You Can Do:</u></p> <p>Cut and remove down wood from National Forest land if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wood is marked with yellow tracer paint, or • Wood is within a signed “Firewood Cutting Area”, or • Wood lies across an open road (see GPNF Motor Vehicle Use Map) extending 25 feet from road edge (Do not remove wood beyond 25ft), or • Wood lies within 100 feet of select open roads listed in Attachment #2 within the dates it is valid for the appropriate Ranger District. • You may remove wood in lengths up to 60 inches, except for cedar which must not exceed 12 inches in length. 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>What You Cannot Do:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Firewood harvested under a free-use permit cannot be resold. • Fell and remove any standing live or dead trees (snags). • Cut and remove any downed trees that were human felled and are not marked with yellow tracer paint. • Cut and remove down wood from private land, Wilderness Areas, Legislated National Volcanic Monument, Botanical Areas, Research Natural Areas, or where signed as “Firewood Cutting Prohibited.” • Cut and remove down wood from campgrounds, trailheads, or administrative sites except when signed as “Firewood Cutting Area”. • Cut and remove down wood from active timber sale areas. These are designated by ribbon and tags, and trees may be marked by paint colors other than yellow. Ask if unsure. • Drive off-road or on closed roads to access down wood.
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>What You Need to Do:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Load tickets provided must be attached to the back of the load and be clearly visible. The load tickets must be validated by completely removing the month and date of firewood removal. One validated load ticket must be attached to the back of the load for every ½ cord or portion thereof (including trailers). • Park vehicles and trailers on the road shoulder, allowing unimpeded traffic flow. • Move wood to vehicle by hand carrying, rolling, or wheelbarrow. • Firewood cutting debris (slash) shall be piled away from roads, ditches, culverts, and streams. • Permit and identification card must be kept with permittee at all times when cutting or transporting firewood. • Approved spark arresters and/or mufflers are required on all power driven equipment during fire season. Smoking is not permitted, except in an area cleared to mineral soil. All power saw use is prohibited at Fire Precaution Levels III and IV. (Please refer to the Fire Precautions section on the next page.) 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Other Rules and Conditions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permit availability is restricted to 6 cords per household per year. • This permit may not be transferred or used by others, unless accompanied by form titled “Performance by Authorized Representative”. (Permittee must meet eligibility requirements to authorize another person to cut and transport their firewood). • Payments for charge permits, including required deposits, are not subject to refund. The permit will expire on the date indicated regardless if firewood is removed. • The permittee and those accompanying him or her shall indemnify and hold the USDA Forest Service harmless from any claims, loss, cost, injury, expenses, attorneys’ fees, damages, or liability caused by or arising out of the exercise of this permit. • Members of Congress or resident Commissioner shall not be admitted to any share or part of this permit, or to any benefit that may arise therefrom, unless it is made with a corporation for its general benefit (18 USC 431, 433). • Any violation of the conditions of this permit may invalidate the permit and may result in appropriate legal action including civil damages (36 CFR 261.6).

FIRE PRECAUTIONS

24 hr. Phone # for Fire Precaution Levels, updated at 4:30 pm daily (mid-May thru mid-October):
360-891-5144

Fire Weather Zones:

Zone 659S: covers Cowlitz Valley R.D.

Zone 660: covers Mt. Adams R.D. and Mt. Saint Helens National Volcanic Monument.

The following equipment is required while using a power saw:

- Saw: Exhaust system in good repair with a screen-type spark arrester of 0.023” or less and qualified under USDA Forest Service standards.
- Shovel: Long-handled round point with an 8” blade (size 0”), in possession of operator.
- Fire Extinguisher: Pressurized chemical of not less than 8 oz. capacity by weight, in possession of operator.

Fire Precaution requirements:

Fire Precaution Period is normally from mid-May to mid-October. To obtain Fire Precaution Level for the next day, call 360-891-5144 or check with your local Ranger Station or National Forest office where permit was issued.

Fire Precaution Levels and Restrictions for the Gifford Pinchot National Forest

I	II*	III	IV	
X	X			Carry equipment listed above.
	X			Stay in area one hour after power saw is shut off to watch for fire starts.
	X			Shut down power saws at 1 p.m.
		X	X	All power saw activity prohibited.

***Firewood cutting may be limited to low hazard areas on Level II days. Check with your local Ranger Station.**

A standard cord is a tightly stacked pile, 4 feet by 4 feet by 8 feet, or a volume of 128 cubic feet.

The permittee is expected to determine the number of tags needed for each load.

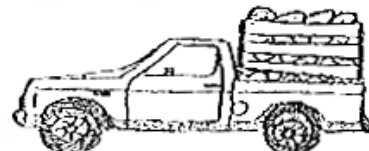
The following are examples of loaded trucks and number of firewood tags that might be needed.



Small Pickup -- 1/4 ton = **1 Tag**



Short Bed Pickup -- 1/2 to 3/4 ton = **1 Tag**



Short Bed- 1/2 to 3/4 ton = **2 Tags**



Long Bed Pickup -- 1/2 to 3/4 ton = **1 Tag**



Long Bed Pickup -- 1/2 to 3/4 ton = **2 Tags**



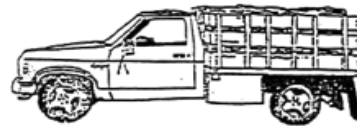
Long Bed Pickup---- 1/2 to 3/4 ton = **2 Tags**



Long Bed Pickup -- 1/2 to 3/4 ton = **Tags 2**



Flat Bed Truck 8' Bed
 2' Racks= **2 Tags**
 4' Racks= **4 Tags**
 5' Racks= **5 Tags**



Flat Bed Truck 10' Bed
 2' Racks= **3 Tags**
 4' Racks= **5 Tags**
 5' Racks= **6 Tags**