

Gifford Pinchot National Forest, Firewood Permit Conditions

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

To obtain Fire Precaution Levels, visit forest webpage fs.usda.gov/giffordpinchot or contact your local Ranger District for the most up to date Fire Precaution Levels.

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 visit forest webpage fs.usda.gov/giffordpinchot or check with your local Ranger District 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.

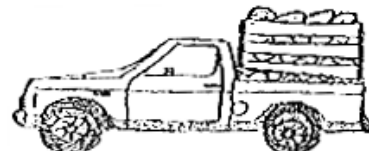
The following are examples of loaded trucks and number of firewood tags that might be needed.



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**

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Select Open Roads for 100 Foot Roadside Collection

Mount St. Helens and Mount Adams Ranger District

Valid December 1, 2025 to March 31, 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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<u>Road Number</u>	<u>All or Partial</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Spur Roads</u>
18	Partial	1800151 (Oklahoma CG)	North End	None
1831	All	18	66	None
1840	Partial	1840020	1840100	All
2300500, 2300511, 2300521, 2300531, 2300551, 2300568, 2300570, 2300589, 2300769	All	23	End	All
2360, 2380	All	23	End	All
34	Partial	37	3400301	All
37	Partial	54	34	All
38	All	37	53	All
41	Partial	Lucia Falls Road	Berm (Mowich Butte)	All
4104, 4107, 4109	All	41	End	All
42	Partial	Forest Bndry (west)	4220	All
4205	Partial	42	4205523	All
4205	Partial	53	4205522	All
4220	All	42	41	All
53	All	54	42	All
54	Partial	Forest Bndry (west)	5400308	All
57	Partial	54	5704	All except 5701
66	Partial	60	6600016	All except 6600020, 6600030, 6600709, 6600711
6605	Partial	66	6605041	None
6610	All	66	End	All
6615	All	66	60	All
6621	All	6615	60	All
68	Partial	66	6600580	None
80	Partial	Forest Bndry	8040	All except 8000020 & 8000709
8031	All	80	23	All
8040	All	80	End	All except 8040550 & 8061
86	Partial	18	1840	All except 8600110 & 8600121
8620	Partial	8631	66	All
8631	All	86	6610	All
8810	Partial	88	23	All except 8810010, 8810071, 8810080, 8810091
8860	All	88	8810	All