



What You Need to Know

Selling Firewood in Wisconsin

Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

If you sell firewood wholesale or direct to consumers in Wisconsin, you need to understand labeling and quarantine requirements that could affect your business. The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection offers a voluntary certification program that allows certified Wisconsin firewood dealers to ship treated firewood anywhere in the state.



Quarantines are intended to slow or prevent introducing pests and diseases into new areas. Requirements differ depending on the pest involved, and may change at any time based on new detections, so it's best to check online or with DATCP before moving firewood.

Quarantines

Gypsy moth: Non-native moth whose caterpillars feed on leaves of hundreds of species of trees and shrubs.

- Firewood cannot move from quarantine areas to non-quarantine areas unless it is DATCP-certified firewood moving within Wisconsin.
- The eastern 2/3 of Wisconsin is quarantined – 50 of the 72 counties. Map at gypsymoth.wi.gov.
- All or parts of 18 other states and the District of Columbia are quarantined: Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, New Hampshire, North Carolina, New Jersey, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Virginia, Vermont and West Virginia.

Emerald ash borer (EAB): Non-native beetle whose larvae feed on wood beneath the bark of all ash species.

- Entire state of Wisconsin is quarantined, allowing firewood to move freely within the state. However, many ash trees remain uninfested, so moving uncertified firewood is risky and should be avoided.
- Regulations remain for moving firewood out of state. Contact USDA APHIS at aphis.usda.gov with questions.

Thousand cankers (TCD): Walnut twig beetle carries *Geosmithia morbida*, the fungus that causes TCD.

- Has not been found in Wisconsin.
- Firewood cannot enter Wisconsin from states with TCD: Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Indiana, Maryland, Nevada, New Mexico, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Utah, Virginia and West Virginia.

Asian longhorned beetle (ALB): Large non-native wood-boring insect, black and white, with very long antennae

- Has not been found in Wisconsin.
- Hardwood firewood cannot enter Wisconsin from quarantine areas: portions of Massachusetts, New York and Ohio.

Mountain pine beetle: Invasive bark beetle that attacks both healthy and stressed pines.

- Has not been found in Wisconsin.
- Firewood cannot enter Wisconsin from quarantine areas: Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wyoming, and the Canadian provinces of Alberta, British Columbia, and Saskatchewan.

Certification

- Certified firewood has been treated to reduce the risk of moving pests and diseases. It can be moved legally anywhere within Wisconsin.
- Before moving it outside Wisconsin, you should consult plant health authorities in the destination state.
- In Wisconsin, you must work with the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection to certify your firewood.

Labeling

- DATCP's Bureau of Weights and Measures sets labeling standards.
- Labels on firewood bundles must include description, volume, and name and address of the person or business responsible for it.

State and federal lands

- Firewood brought into state parks and other state lands:
 - Must be either certified or from within 10 miles away.
 - Must not have crossed a quarantine area to reach the state lands, unless it is certified.
- Firewood brought into the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest or other federal lands must be either certified or from within 25 miles.
- County and tribal lands and private campgrounds may have their own rules.

For more information

About quarantines and certification

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https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/PestsAndDiseases.aspx

https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/FirewoodDealerCertification.aspx

About labeling

Bureau of Weights and Measures, (608) 224-4942,

datcpweightsandmeasures@wi.gov

<https://datcp.wi.gov/Documents/FirewoodFactSheet.pdf>

About firewood on state lands

Department of Natural Resources, 877-303-9663

<https://dnr.wi.gov/topic/invasives/firewood.html>