

VILLAGE OF SANFORD

P.O. Box 30

Sanford, Michigan

48657

**PERSONAL USE FUELWOOD PERMIT**

Instructions: Complete all sections (online or in writing), Print, Keep in your possession while collecting fuelwood.

PERMITTEE INFORMATION	
Name of Permittee	Mailing Address
Telephone	City, State, ZIP
Michigan Driver's License or Michigan ID #	Date of Birth
Vehicle Information	Make/Model
LIABILITY AND INDEMNIFICATION	
<p><b>LIABILITY.</b> Permittee hereby releases, waives, discharges, and covenants not to sue the Village of Sanford, Michigan, its departments, officers, employees, and agents, from any and all liability to Permittee, its officers, employees, and agents, for all losses, injury, death or damage, and any claims or demands thereto, on account of injury to person or property, or resulting in death of Permittee, its officers, employees or agents, in reference to the activities authorized by this permit.</p> <p><b>INDEMNIFICATION.</b> Permittee hereby covenants and agrees to indemnify and save harmless, the Village of Sanford, Michigan, its departments, officers, employees, and agents, from any and all claims and demands, for all loss, injury, death or damage, that any person or entity may have or make, in any manner, arising out of any occurrence related to (1) issuance of this permit; (2) the activities authorized by this permit; and (3) the use or occupancy of the premises which are the subject of this permit by the Permittee, its employees, contractors, or its authorized representatives.</p> <p><i>I understand and agree with all permit requirements listed and absolve the Village of Sanford, Michigan and its employees of any personal injury or property damage resulting from operations under this permit.</i></p>	
Permittee's Signature	Date
Issue Date	<p>General Area Permit: Collect dead and down wood only within 200 feet of road. See additional permit requirements on page 2.</p>
Expiration Date (90 days from issue)	
County	
Township/Range	

Date, Time and Quantity Removed must be filled out PRIOR to transportation of fuelwood collected under this permit:

COLLECTION LOG – PERMITTEE MUST COMPLETE PRIOR TO TRANSPORTATION OF WOOD							
DATE	TIME	QUANTITY REMOVED	LOCATION	DATE	TIME	QUANTITY REMOVED	LOCATION

## FUELWOOD PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

**Any violation of this permit renders the permit void and may result in confiscation of wood and termination of any future right to cut firewood on state forest land.**

A VILLAGE OF SANFORD Fuelwood Permit must be obtained before cutting or removing any firewood (except for campfire wood used for personal and immediate use). The Village of Sanford Fuelwood Permits are valid for a maximum of ninety (90) days.

The following requirements must be met:

1. Fuelwood permits are limited to **one (1) per household per year and are non-transferable**.
2. The Village of Sanford's land is intermingled with private land and it is the Permittee's responsibility to ensure that any wood that is cut and/or removed is **ONLY** from the designated locations on state forest land and **ONLY** from within the assigned permit area. It is also the Permittee's responsibility to obtain and use a good map if unfamiliar with the area.
3. A signed Permit must be in the possession of the Permittee and the Permittee must be on site when cutting or in the vehicle when transporting.
4. The Permittee:
  - a. Must protect surrounding trees from injury;
  - b. Should not block roads or trails with vehicles or downed wood;
  - c. Must use only established roads
  - d. May use a wheelbarrow or handcart off-road;
  - e. Should start cutting when the permit is purchased.
5. Clean up behind yourself and make certain that you leave no litter.
6. Safety and Other Suggestions:
  - a. It is suggested that leather gloves, heavy leather boots, safety chaps, safety glasses, ear protection, and a hard hat be used at a minimum for personal protection;
  - b. Be careful during saw fueling to avoid spilling gas. Serious explosions and disabling burns have occurred to operators restarting saws after refueling spills;
  - c. Smoke only in a vehicle or on sand roads and carefully extinguish smoking materials to avoid starting wildfires;
  - d. Cut and split no more wood than can be hauled at one time as wood left on site might be collected by another permittee;
  - e. Share the woods. It may be unsafe and disruptive to cut firewood during firearm hunting seasons. Please be respectful of other forest visitors and take necessary safety precautions.
7. Wood may **not** be removed under the Fuelwood Permit from:
  - a. Sites posted as closed.
8. General Area Permit: **Remove only dead and down material**. Trees or logging residue must be dead AND separated from the stump. No standing trees, alive may be cut under this permit.
9. A person who does not follow the requirements of the Fuelwood Permit will lose the opportunity to remove fuel wood from the Village of Sanford's properties.