

Environmental Quality
SALE OF FIREWOOD

Summary. This regulation prescribes policies, responsibilities, and procedures for the sale of small volumes of timber (firewood) at Aberdeen Proving Ground (APG) and assigns responsibilities to ensure an effective program for the optimum use of forest resources as outlines in referenced Department of Defense (DoD) and Army policy and regulations.

Applicability. The policy and guidance prescribed by this regulation applies to all elements of the U.S. Army Garrison Aberdeen Proving Ground (USAGAPG) and tenants located at APG and to all individuals, who desire to purchase firewood from the installation.

Suggested Improvements. The proponent of this regulation is the Natural Resources Branch (NRB), Environmental Division (ED), Directorate of Public Works (DPW). Users are invited to send comments and suggested improvements on Department of the Army (DA) Form 2028, Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms, directly to the NRB.

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1. Purpose. This regulation establishes procedures that will govern the local sale of small volumes of timber (firewood) at APG. It also prescribes policies and assigns responsibilities to ensure an effective program for the optimum use of forest resources as outlined in referenced DoD and Army policy and regulations.

2. References. See Appendix A.

3. Explanations of Abbreviations and Terms. Abbreviations and special terms used in this regulation are explained in the glossary.

4. Scope. This regulation applies to all elements of USAGAPG and tenants located at APG and to all individuals who desire to purchase firewood from the installation.

5. General. The removal of small volumes of timber is designed to achieve the goals of the APG Forest Management Plan and will be carried out through proper silvicultural practices. Disposal will be in accordance with Title 10 United States Code (USC) 2665; Department of Defense Financial Management Regulation (DoDFMR), Chapter 16; Army Regulation (AR) 200-1; AR 405-90, and Aberdeen Proving Ground Regulation (APGR) 200-62. Removal of any Army forest products by an individual or individuals without fair market value reimbursement to the Army is a violation of Federal statute, DoD regulation and AR.

6. Eligibility.

a. All individuals are eligible to remove firewood from the installation upon compliance with permitting and other requirements specified in this regulation.

b. Individuals who violate any provision of this regulation or other applicable APG regulations may have privileges to remove timber permanently revoked and may be subject to other prosecution as deemed appropriate.

7. Responsibilities.

a. Chief, ED, DPW, USAGAPG, will exercise supervision over the installation firewood sales program.

b. Garrison Forester, ED, DPW, USAGAPG, will:

(1) Prepare, coordinate, and effectively publish and disseminate APG firewood regulations, and make required changes as necessary.

(2) Administer the firewood sales program for the installation with the authority to delegate any portion thereof.

(3) Provide individuals with a copy of this regulation at time of permitting. Individual's signature of permit acknowledges understanding of APGR 200-63, Sale of Firewood.

(4) Ensure individuals are properly oriented in this regulation and applicable laws.

(5) Have the authority to spot-check any firewood cutter to ensure that he has a valid permit in his possession.

c. Chief, Operations and Maintenance Division, DPW, USAGAPG, will:

(1) Cut and fell all designated trees.

(2) Place cut trees in designated firewood sale area.

d. Directorate of Emergency Services (DES), USAGAPG, will:

(1) Spot-check personnel observed cutting and loading firewood on private conveyances to assure such actions have been authorized in accordance with the provisions of this regulation.

(2) Enforce the provisions of this regulation.

e. Chief, Safety Office, USAGAPG, will enforce all applicable safety regulations.

8. Disposal Procedure Limitations.

a. Total sales in any calendar year will not exceed \$40,000.

b. Purchases will be limited to one load of firewood per permit. Multiple permits can be purchased.

c. Permits will be issued for a period of time not to exceed ten calendar days. If the firewood is not removed prior to the expiration date, all privileges of the permit are forfeited.

d. A permit will be issued for the sole purpose of removing a specified amount of firewood as indicated on the permit.

e. Permit holders must furnish own equipment and labor.

9. Removal Procedures.

a. Firewood cutting and removal will not be allowed in other than areas designated on the permit.

b. Permit holders may remove firewood only from designated areas. No one other than DPW personnel (or contractors other than DPW personnel only when specific permission is granted by DPW, with an approved work order and an approved Record of Environmental Consideration), during the normal course of their official duties will be permitted to fell any tree at APG. Violators will be subject to such penalties as deemed appropriate.

c. Firewood cutting and removal will only be permitted from sunrise to sunset.

d. Anyone found cutting firewood outside the approved cutting area or at night (sunset to sunrise) may have his cutting privileges permanently revoked and be subject to other prosecution as deemed appropriate.

e. Individuals will be liable for any property damage incurred as a result of cutting and removing firewood. Driving on grassed areas when grounds are wet is prohibited. Violators will be subject to such penalties as deemed appropriate and may be charged for repairs to grounds as the result of such action.

10. Valuation of Timber Products.

a. The dollar value of timber products will be estimated at the current market value.

b. The estimated value of timber products will be determined by the Garrison Forester and reviewed periodically to determine if the value is a fair and equitable price.

c. For the purpose of this regulation, the sale of firewood will be based on the cord unit of measurement. The standard pulpwood cord is defined as a pile of wood eight feet long, four feet wide, and four feet high, occupying a space of 128 cubic feet. Considering spaces between sticks, the amount of solid wood in a well-piled standard cord contains 80-90 cubic feet of solid wood. Firewood is commonly cut into lengths that measure from 12-36 inches. When the standard pulpwood cord is cut into firewood lengths, a cord of this material would occupy 100-110 cubic feet of space. This regulation will be based on 100 cubic feet per cord of firewood.

11. Issuance of Permits for Removal of Firewood.

a. Permits will be secured from designated personnel in the ED, DPW at a time established by the Garrison Forester.

b. Permits will be issued on a first-come-first-served basis. Issuance of permits will be on a limited basis as the sale of firewood is based on availability.

c. Permits must be paid for by check or money order made payable to U.S. Treasury and will be documented by an IMAP-PWE Form 183, Firewood Removal Permit, prepared in triplicate; the original will be given to the customer and copy three retained by the Garrison Forester.

d. Permit fee will not be refundable in whole or in part for any reason.

e. Permits will be issued at designated locations during the week. All collected monies will be deposited with DD Form 1131, Cash Collection Voucher, for deposit into accounting classification 21F3875.3960.

f. The retained copy of each issued permit, together with the cash collection voucher, will serve as the basis for monetary accountability of the program.

g. The timber product quantity, location, and price will be included on the permit.

h. The permit must be in possession of the authorized person while cutting or removing firewood. Permits will be spot-checked in the cutting areas. Permits will be presented to the law enforcement officer upon request prior to exiting the installation with purchased firewood.

i. A map, designating the cutting area, will be furnished at the time of purchase if requested.

12. Collection of Monies.

a. The Garrison Forester and his appointed representatives will be authorized to collect monies for the sale of firewood. Monies collected for permits will be submitted to the Finance and Accounting Officer, accompanied by a DD Form 1131, Cash Collection Voucher, prepared for deposit into accounting classification 21F3875.3960.

b. The Garrison Forester will maintain a ledger of all sales by permit, name of purchaser, amount of firewood sold, and monies collected.

13. Safety and Security.

a. Individuals cutting firewood will comply with all applicable equipment and personal protective equipment (PPE) safety guidelines and security requirements.

b. The U.S. Government is not liable for any accident incidental to firewood cutting or removal. Individuals will be required to sign a statement releasing the U.S. Government from responsibility for any damage or injury to persons or property incurred as a result of the sale and removal of firewood from APG.


c. Under no circumstances will any individual attempt to pick up, move, or otherwise disturb items of ammunition, exploded or unexploded, or other ordnance materiel located in firewood cutting areas. Location of questionable items will be reported to 911 immediately after discovery. All operations in the area will cease until the materiel has been removed by proper authorities.

d. Smoking will not be permitted in any areas during woodcutting operations.

e. Individuals cutting firewood will have an approved (e.g., Underwriter Laboratories) fire extinguisher in their possession.

f. Wood cutters will exercise caution when operating motor vehicles in firewood cutting areas to ensure that heat from the vehicles do not cause grass and brush to catch fire.

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Appendix A References

Section I Required Publications

10 USC 2665

Sale of certain interests in land; logs

APGR 200-62

Environmental Quality, Reforestation

AR 200-1

Environmental Protection and Enhancement

AR 405-80

Management of Title and Granting Use of Real Property

AR 405-90

Disposal of Real Estate

DoDFMR, Volume 11A, Chapter 16

Army Policies and Procedures for Production and Sale of Forest Products

Section II Related Publications

This section contains no entries.

Section III Referenced Forms

DA Form 2028

Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms

DD Form 1131

Cash Collection Voucher

IMAP-PWE Form 183

Firewood Removal Permit

Appendix B Forest Products

UNITS OF SALE

- a. Level standard 8 ft pick-up bed, \$20.00/load.
- b. Level standard 6ft pick-up bed, \$15.00/load.
- c. Car trunk/hatchback, \$5.00/load
- d. Trailer price is determined by trailer load size. Trailer must be measured prior to purchase of permit.

Appendix C IMNE-APG-PWE Form 183 Sample

FIREWOOD REMOVAL PERMIT

1. The following individual is authorized per AK 200-L, ANCR 200-67 and AKRC 200-42 to remove one unit of firewood at \$ _____ per unit from APG until expiration date or until order is ruled, whichever comes first.

UNITS OF SALE: Level standard 8ft pick-up bed, \$20.00/load; Level standard 6 ft pick-up bed, \$15.00/load; Car trunk/hatchback, \$5.00/load

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

EXPIRATION DATE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

AREA AUTHORIZED: _____

2. Method of Removal:

VEHICLE (Auto (trunk or hatchback), Pickup Truck, Other Truck, Trailer)	TAG#	SECURITY VALIDATION

3. Requirements of the sale:

- a. Permit will be valid for a 30 day period beginning on date of issue.
- b. All equipment and labor will be supplied by the buyer. Permit will be in the buyer's possession at all times.
- c. All wood will be cut from the authorized area only.
- d. Trash and refuse will not be deposited on the installation.
- e. All trees cut must be utilized to the maximum in filling a purchased unit.
- f. Any cut wood not removed may be removed by other permit holders.
- g. The US Government is not responsible for any damage or injury to persons or property incurred as a result of this sale and removal of firewood from APG.
- h. Individuals not following the above requirements will not receive additional firewood permits.

1. ALL LEADS WILL BE TAKEN TO THE FOLLOWING CHECK STATION PRIOR TO EXITING THE PERMIT AREA.

STATEMENT

I agree to abide by the requirements listed above and not to hold the US Government responsible for any damage or injury to property or persons which are incurred in the use of this permit to cut and remove firewood from APG. I further understand that I am required to have a copy of this permit indicating that I am authorized to remove timber in my personal possession at all times and that I may be required to produce same on demand of installation police or other competent authority.

SIGNATURE OF BUYER / DATE: _____ SIGNATURE OF GARRISON FORESTER / DATE OR DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE: _____

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Glossary

Section 1 Abbreviations

APG

Aberdeen Proving Ground

APGR

Aberdeen Proving Ground Regulation

AR

Army Regulation

DA

Department of the Army

DES

Directorate of Emergency Services

DoD

Department of Defense

DoDFMR

Department of Defense Financial Management Regulation

DPW

Directorate of Public Works

ED

Environmental Division

NRB

Natural Resources Branch

USAGAPG

U.S. Army Garrison Aberdeen Proving Ground

USC

United States Code

Section III Special Abbreviations and Terms

This section contains no entries.