PEST ALERT



State of New Hampshire Department of Resources and Economic Development

Division of Forests and Lands Forest Protection Bureau – Forest Health Section

FIREWOOD: THREAT FROM INVASIVE BEETLES



Firewood and pallets may contain pest beetles and larvae.



Adult Emerald Ash Borer. Actual size is 7.5 to 13.5 mm long.



Adult Asian Longhorned Beetle. Actual size is 20-30 mm long.

ATTENTION!

In order to reduce the spread of exotic forest pests, the N.H.

Department of Resources and Economic Development and the N.H.

Department of Agriculture, Markets & Food have jointly banned the importation of firewood from out-of-state sources. Firewood not subject to the out-of-state quarantine must be heat treated according to USDA standards or accompanied by a valid compliance agreement.

Any person, employee, or agent of that person, who violates this quarantine shall be guilty of a violation and face an administrative fine of \$250 and confiscation of wood. (RSA 227-K:17)

The emerald ash borer and the Asian longhorned beetle can be easily spread in firewood. Firewood can look normal, but still be infested with the immature stage of these insects. Don't assume wood is safe just because you don't see adult insects!

BUY LOCAL FIREWOOD!

For more information please contact the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands, Forest Protection Bureau – Forest Health Section, PO Box 1856, Concord, NH 03302 at (603) 464-3016.

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For more information about the Emerald Ash Borer: http://na.fs.fed.us/fhp/eab/

For more information about the Asian Longhorned Beetle: http://na.fs.fed.us/fhp/alb/

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