PERSONAL USE FIREWOOD PERMIT APPLICATION
TOWN OF EMMITSBURG
300A South Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg, MD 21727
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Policy & Procedure - Per Town Policy No. P19-04

- Only one permit per household will be issued; however, two identical permits will be issued so that one can be displayed on the permittee's vehicle and one will be carried on the permittee's person. Applicants must present proof that the applicant is a resident of the Town of Emmitsburg or residents of the 21727 zip code. Permits are not transferrable and must be renewed each calendar year.
- The permit must be displayed on the windshield of the permittee's vehicle and carried on the permittee's person at all times while cutting firewood.
- The wood shall only be cut and gathered from June 1 to August 31, gathered for personal use, and shall not be sold or used for commercial purposes.
- A permittee may only remove downed wood on Town property within 100 feet of Hampton Valley Road. The Town will provide a map of the designated area. Live or standing dead trees may not be cut, girdled, or damaged in any way.
- Any tree with an orange mark shall be left intact and may not be removed from the site.
- All brush and other debris, which the permittee causes to be deposited, placed or left on trails, roadways, ditch lines, and streams shall be removed by the permittee and moved back at least 50 feet from the ditch line of all public roadways. All litter of the permittee must be removed from the site.
- Motorized off-road equipment or vehicles may not be used to remove firewood. All firewood may only be removed by hand, cart, or wheelbarrow.
- By applying for and accepting a permit, the permittee and any one acting under that permit acknowledges that they enter and use the Watershed to cut and remove firewood at their own risk. The permittee and any one acting under that permit releases the Town of Emmitsburg, its officers, officials, employees and agents from any liability, claims or causes of action for personal injury, death or property damage related to or arising from the use of the Watershed under the permit, and they waive any such claims that they may have against the Town, its officers, officials, employees and agents. Permittee agrees to indemnify and hold the Town, its officers, officials, employees and agents harmless against any liability for property damage, personal injury or death related to or arising from the use of the Watershed under the permit. Permittees must exercise caution and act in a safe and reasonable manner at all times. All participants are strongly encouraged to learn chainsaw safety skills and wear proper protective clothing and equipment (chainsaw chaps, leather boots, leather gloves, hardhat, hearing and eye protection) while operating a chainsaw.
- Failure to obey or follow any of the policies and procedures stated herein may result in revocation of the permit and any privileges thereunder, and the Town reserves the right to ban the permittee or any person acting under the permit from the entry to and use of the Watershed for any purpose. Permit holders are responsible for any and all damage to private or public property, personal injury or death that results from their intentional conduct or negligence.
- The applicant or the applicant's duly authorized representative or agent hereby agrees to comply with all applicable Town codes, laws, ordinances, and regulations, and in accordance with all State and Federal regulations. The applicant alone bears the responsibility of ensuring their work does not violate other laws, regulations, or the rights of neighbors and other parts. I hereby certify the information with this application to be true and correct, and I further agree to pay all costs as stated in the Town's fee schedule.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

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Name of Applicant: _____

Home Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

License Plate #: _____

Town Use Only

☐ **I have verified that the applicant lives within the 21727 zip code.** _____

Town staff initials

☐ **Approved**

☐ **Denied**

Reason for Denial:

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Signature of Town Manager or Town Manager's Designee: _____

Date of Approval/Denial : _____

Town Permit #: _____