



'Tis the Season to Season Your Wood

Seasoning firewood for your woodstove can reduce your heating costs by 20 per cent.

To season your firewood:

- Buy it now.
- Shelter it from the weather for at least six months of seasoning.
- Save some green when it's time to turn up the heat.

Freshly cut or "green" wood contains a lot of water and burns inefficiently. It also produces high levels of smoke and creosote, which leads to poor air quality and can also cause chimney fires.

If you're planning to buy a new wood stove, invest in an EPA-certified model. All new wood-stoves

sold in Nova Scotia must be EPA-certified. These stoves reduce wood use by 25 per cent, and can reduce smoke by as much as 90 per cent.

To ensure peak performance and safety, wood stoves should be installed by a technician certified by Wood Energy Technology Transfer (WETT).

For more tips on heating with wood, please visit www.conservens.ca/in-the-home/energy-savings-tips.asp

For tips on buying firewood and a list of registered firewood vendors in Nova Scotia, please visit www.gov.ns.calsnsmr/firewood

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