

# Buying Firewood? Don't get Burned

With today's high energy prices, heating with wood can provide substantial savings, but only if you receive fair measure.

Protect yourself with these simple steps:

## **When ordering:**

1. Order the wood based on the advertised price per cord, cubic foot, or cubic metre.
2. Ask your supplier to specify the exact amount of wood that will be delivered.
3. Request a written receipt for the quantity of wood delivered (required by law), and the price agreed upon. If HST is being charged, the registration number should be on the receipt.

## **At time of delivery:**

4. Be present.
5. Ask to see the receipt before the wood is unloaded.
6. Write the license plate number of the delivery vehicle on the receipt.
7. If the wood is stacked in the truck, measure it before unloading; otherwise, stack and measure immediately following delivery. A cord of firewood measures 128 cubic feet.
8. If there is any discrepancy, contact your supplier immediately.

## **Remember!**

- You are not required to sign any receipts.
- All supplier receipts should state:
  - their name, address, and phone number, and,
  - the date, price, and quantity of wood delivered using legal units of measurements (cord, cubic metre, or cubic foot).
- Buy your wood early!

For more information on firewood measurement or if you have questions, contact Measurement Canada at: 902-426-3831,

or visit these websites:

[www.mc.ic.gc.ca](http://www.mc.ic.gc.ca) - Click on "Consumer Information", then "Publications" and look for "Buying Firewood? Don't Get Burned!"

[www.gov.ns.ca/energy](http://www.gov.ns.ca/energy) - Click on "Consumer Information", "Home Heating", and "Heating with Wood".



  
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