

PIPESTONE WOOD ADDITIONAL INFO

The Pipestone Camp Honors program uses the wood brought to camp by Scouts (and Scouters if the unit deems it necessary) for the Friday evening events. This is one of the requirements to participate and receive the coveted Pipestone. The purpose of the wood as it is specifically described in the requirements (see current Camp Leaders Guide) is to provide light, burn quietly, and without smoke. Please note; Only the Reservation Director can substitute this requirement and only for very special circumstances.

WHAT IS DEEMED AS A "GOOD BUNDLE"

Quality:

- One Cubic Foot of wood tightly wrapped
- Straight pieces
 - Hardwood - naturally occurring (no pine)
 - No protrusions (or a natural minimum)
 - No excess curvature
 - No bark (the wood is seasoned and the bark fell off naturally or with minimal effort)
 - No punky or rotten wood
 - Broken not sawn (some units get creative with methods to break to length)
 - No thinner than the little finger (approximately 3/8 Inch Minimum)
 - No thicker than your Scoutmaster's thumb (approximately 1 Inch Maximum)



Quantity:

- A Cubic foot is the intent for each bundle. This could be considered or collected in several ways:
 - A bag
 - A box
 - A bucket
 - Etc.
- Individual sticks – 12 to 14 inches long
- Cross section is 1 square-foot or 144 square-inches



Preparation:

Ways to measure while collecting:

- Square → 12 inches by 12 Inches
- Circular → Diameter 13.54 Inches (or 1 Foot + 1.5 Inches)
- Circumference → 42.54 Inches (or 3.54 Feet)
- Other → Rectangle or other means is acceptable that meets final requirements
- 12 to 14 inches long → broken not sawn

The finished bundle must be tightened firmly in a circular form with twine and measure for diameter or circumference requirements mentioned above.

Checking in the Wood:

- SPL meets the Staff at the Wood Trailer and presents only the bundles deemed good based on these guidelines.
- The SPL / Unit leader is responsible to keep records for those who have met this requirement.

Leaders: Please note that it is a matter of unit pride that you adhere to these guidelines.

NOT ACCEPTABLE

