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IN REPLY REFER TO:  
ASO 5090.9B  
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AIR STATION ORDER 5090.9B

18 JAN 2022

From: Commanding Officer, Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point  
To: Distribution List

Subj: PROCUREMENT OF FIREWOOD FOR PERSONAL USE

Ref: (a) MCO P5090.2

Encl: (1) Sample Firewood Permit

1. Situation. To establish policy and procedures for procurement of firewood for recreational or home heating use. This Order does not authorize collection of firewood for commercial use and/or resale.

2. Cancellation. ASO 5090.9A

3. Mission. It is the policy of this command to allow the collection of firewood for personal use. Firewood may be taken from timber downed by natural events, a completed timber harvest, or land clearing operations. All firewood collected for personal use requires a permit (enclosure (1)) prior to collection. No standing timber may be cut without permission of the Natural Resources Manager.

4. Execution

a. Commander's Intent

(1) The reference requires activities with available forest resources suitable for the production of timber and wood products to develop a Forestry Resource Management Program. Multiple-use potentials such as recreation, wildlife habitat, and aesthetics must be considered to ensure maximum usage and benefits. Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point forest products are federal property and must be administered within property management procedures.

(2) Only active duty, retired military, and currently employed civilian personnel assigned to commands aboard this air station are authorized to procure firewood from air station resources. Retired or former civilian personnel are excluded from participation.

b. Concept of Operations

(1) The Environmental Affairs Officer of the Facilities Directorate is assigned overall responsibility for administering the subject program. The following procedures and tasks will be employed for the management of wood products harvested from the air station.

(2) The Station Forester or their designated representative will:

(a) Provide information to permit holders about availability and location of wood.

(b) Maintain a record of personnel participating in the program.

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- (c) Issue permits to qualified personnel.
- (d) Coordinate access to firewood gathering areas. Some forestry roads may need to be closed during wet weather in order to prevent damage by vehicles to both forest and access roads.

(3) The Provost Marshal shall monitor traffic to ensure that personnel in vehicles carrying firewood off the air station have proper permits for possession of the firewood. The Provost Marshal will contact the duty Conservation Law Enforcement Officer (CLEO) for investigation and issuance of a citation, if appropriate.

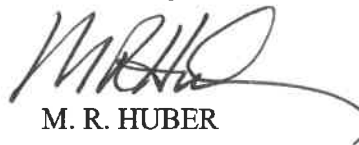
(4) The CLEO staff will be responsible for patrolling air station lands to monitor for illegal wood gathering activities. Persons in violation of this Order will be cited to appear before the Station Inspector for corrective action.

(5) Individuals who meet the criteria in paragraph 4.a.2 above, who desire to collect wood will comply with the following:

- (a) Obtain a firewood permit from the Environmental Affairs Department.
- (b) Retain their permit during the collection period to serve as a property pass for the possession of wood removed from the air station. Participants will present the permit to the gate sentry upon request.
- (c) Do not sell, give away, or otherwise transfer wood to another party.
- (d) Do not cut standing trees, dead or alive, without permission from the Natural Resources Manager.
- (e) Do not collect more than one cord of wood per month.
- (f) Leave cutting sites neat and orderly. Littering will not be tolerated.
- (g) Privately owned vehicles must stay on existing roadways and should not travel off-road.
- (h) Ensure appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is worn during collection. This includes a blaze orange hat during active hunting seasons (approximately 1 September through 1 January).

5. Administration and Logistics. This Air Station Order is applicable to the directives listed in the enclosures.

6. Command and Signal. This directive is effective the date signed.

  
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**MCAS CHERRY POINT FIREWOOD PERMIT # \_\_\_\_\_**

This permit allows the permittee to collect up to one cord of downed wood (no standing or leaning trees) per month.

This permit must be displayed on the dashboard of the vehicle being used.

Collected firewood is intended for personal use only; is must not be sold, given away, or otherwise transferred to another party.

Individuals collecting firewood are encouraged to wear appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) while harvesting firewood. This PPE should include a blaze orange hat (at minimum) during open hunting seasons.

**PERMITTEE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PERMIT PERIOD:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ISSUED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_