



Application for a  
**Permit for Firewood collection on Roadsides**  
Under Community and Environment Local Law 2022

I, \_\_\_\_\_  
*Applicant's Name*

Of, \_\_\_\_\_  
*Address*

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Wish to apply for a permit to collect firewood on roadsides.

**APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE:**

- Completed and signed application form including indemnity in favour of Mitchell Shire Council.
- Application fee of \$21.00 FY23/24.
- Certificate of Currency showing that applicant is covered for a minimum of \$20 million legal/public liability insurance. The certificate must show currency and if it doesn't list the public liability then a copy of the insurance policy PDS must be included.

**COLLECTION DATES** From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_  
To be completed by MSC representative 7 days only

**CONDITIONS**

1. Produce this Permit on demand to a Police Officer or Authorised Officer of the Mitchell Shire Council.
2. Mitchell Shire Council reserves the right to stipulate the roads and sections of road that firewood can be collected from and this may be reduced from the standard approved roads at any time.
3. Firewood is only to be collected from roads approved and detailed on the firewood Locality Collection maps available from [www.mitchellshire.vic.gov.au](http://www.mitchellshire.vic.gov.au)
4. Only persons over the age of 18 are permitted to collect firewood on Council roadsides.

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5. The area is to be left in a clean and tidy condition. e.g. take all personal litter with you.
6. Chainsaws must be fitted with a proper exhaust and spark arrester.
7. Chainsaws are only to be refuelled or filled with oil on an impermeable surface.
8. This permit does not allow for the felling of timber and no damage is to be done to any fences, standing trees, roadside drainage or other Council Assets.
9. The permit holder must only stop a vehicle in use under this permit in an area off the main part of the road carriageway and in accordance with any road rules.
10. Heavy Vehicles (>4.5tonne GVM, including any trailer) must not be used to collect firewood from roadsides.
11. The collection of fallen timber must be in accordance with the *Road Management Act 2004*, *Mitchell Shire Council Road Management Plan*, and the *Mitchell Shire Rural Roadside Code of Practice* and any other Act or Regulation relating to this activity.
12. Heavy machinery (e.g. log splitter, saw bench, tractor) must not be used for firewood collection.
13. Fallen or felled trees must not be towed or winched along the ground
14. Do not collect or remove fallen or felled trees that are visibly hollow or growing moss or fungi with a coverage of >50%
15. Fallen timber is for personal use only and cannot be sold.
16. Roadside firewood collection is prohibited during the North Central Fire Danger Period.
17. This permit allows the collection of 1 cubic metre in total of fallen firewood only.
18. An individual, family or partnership will be granted up to 3 permits during one firewood collection season only.
19. The Permit is not valid on days of Total Fire Ban as declared from time to time by the **Country Fire Authority** for the North Central Total Fire Ban Region.
20. Unmade roads and tracks are not permitted to be collected from.

### **Expiry of permit**

- Permits are valid for 7 (seven) days

### **Safety**

- Avoid collecting firewood when conditions are wet, windy or hot
- Assess your work area for hazards before you commence your work
- Avoid working near hazards
- Avoid working alone or with children (children under 18 are not permitted to collect firewood)

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- Be trained and competent in the use of firewood collection equipment, including chainsaws and use well maintained equipment

## Hazards

Hazards found in designated firewood collection areas may include, but are not limited to:

- Broken overhead branches, dead standing trees
- Uneven or slippery ground conditions
- Vehicles
- Mine shafts
- Snakes and stinging insects

## Other Requirements

- Failure to fully provide the required information will result in my application being returned and a delay in processing.
- The applicant understands that the personal information provided is to assess your application and record your permit and that he or she may apply to Council for access to and/or amendment of the information. Requests for access and or correction should be made to the Local Laws Department.
- I agree to indemnify and to keep indemnified Mitchell Shire Council, its servants and agents (the Council), from and against all actions, costs, claims, charges, expenses, penalties, demands and damages whatsoever which may be brought or made or claimed against them, or any of them, in connection with the collection of firewood under this permit.

I have read and fully understood the conditions of the permit

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Date Issued:     /     /

Receipt Number \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by (Council Representative)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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## MITCHELL SHIRE COUNCIL ROADS WHERE FIREWOOD COLLECTION IS NOT PERMITTED

The below roads are either fully or partially assessed as high or very high conservation areas. The roads on this list may have partial areas where collection is allowed. For a defined map of areas that can be collected from please go to [www.mitchellshire.vic.gov.au](http://www.mitchellshire.vic.gov.au) and review the firewood collection map. If you have not reviewed the map to check the exact collection locations you should not collect from any of these roads.

<b>Avenel</b>	Lambing Gully Road	
<b>Broadford</b>	Box Forest Rd Broadford Glenaroua Road Coulson Rd Davis Road Elliot's Road Jeffreys East Jeffreys Lane	Longs Lane Marchbanks Road Selection Road Skye Road West Sutherland Rd Taatooke Rd Three Chain Road
<b>Bylands</b>	Arkells La Mckerchers Mill Rd	Simon Hill Road Union Lane
<b>Clonbinane</b>	Broadford Wandong Rd Clonbinane Rd Doctors Creek Rd Mcdonalds Road Peel Road Ryans Rd Ryans Rise	Scanlons Rd Sheils Road Spur Road Stotts Rd Styx Lane Tait's Road
<b>Forbes</b>	Mchargs Road	
<b>Glenaroua</b>	Broadford Pyalong Rd Chapmans Rd Daisyburn Road Kilmore Glenaroua Road McGintys Lane	Seymour Pyalong Road Slatterys Rd The Bridle Track Whitegate Rd
<b>Glenhope</b>	Dairy Flat Road Dead Dog Lane Dons Lane Franklins Road Heathcote Baynton East Heathcote Sping Plains Road Lintons Lane	Maynes Lane Randalls Lane Sievers Lane Watchbox Road Wickhams Lane Taylors Lane
<b>Heathcote Junction</b>	Dry Creek Road Junction Rd	North Mountain Road South Mountain Rd
<b>Heathcote South</b>	Loeman Rd Old Dairy Flat Road	Smiths Lane
<b>High Camp</b>	Highcamp Rd Back Creek Road	Crawfords Rd Moranding Road
<b>Highlands</b>	Hughes Creek Road	Bluetop Rd  <b>Continued Over...</b>

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<b>Roads where Firewood Collection is <u>Not</u> Permitted continued</b>		
<b>Hilldene</b>	Ashes Bridge Road Bassett Lane Clydesdale Rd Dysart Road Hilldene Lane Mitchell Creek Road	Popples Lane Seymour Pyalong Road Speed Road Stoney Creek Road Sungarrin Road
<b>Kilmore</b>	Color Drive Hunts Rd	Old Lancefield Rd Monument Hill Rd
<b>Kilmore East</b>	Bakers Road Nanny Creek Road	O'grady's Road Saunders Rd
<b>Mangalore</b>	Hanleys Lane	
<b>Mia Mia</b>	Branding Yard Lane Burke And Wills Track	Greenshields Lane Mcdonalds Lane
<b>Moranding</b>	Corbett Lane	
<b>Northwood</b>	Bromfields Road Cowles Road Crawleys Road Dorset Rd	Forest Road Northwood Road Woolshed Lane
<b>Nulla Vale</b>	Hardings Road Powells Rd Allisons Road Malones Road	Pyalong Lancefield Scrubby Camp Rd Zigzag Road
<b>Pyalong</b>	Basin Hill Road Coxs Lane	Racecourse Road
<b>Reedy Creek</b>	Horans Track Murchison Spur Road	Reedy Creek Road Thompsons Spur Road
<b>Seymour</b>	Back Mountain Road Browns Lane Dead Horse Lane Delatite Road	Hume & Hovell Road Seymour Avenel Road Smales Road Tarcombe Road
<b>Sugarloaf Creek</b>	Camerons Creek Road Dwyers Road Muncktons Lane	Sugarloaf Creek Road Sunday Creek Lane
<b>Sunday Creek</b>	Wallis Road Broadford Wandong Rd	Smiths Lane  <b>Continued Over...</b>

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<b>Tallarook</b>	Dockerys Road Ennis Road Kippings Lane Leahys Road	Old Hume Highway Scotts Road Sharps And Taylors Road Tallarook Pyalong Road
<b>Tooborac</b>	Campbells Lane Duells La Hagans Rd Hardings Lane Hayes Gully Road Kennedys Lane Ladder Hill Rd	Majors Line Rd Middle Springs Road Moores La Moulds Road Paddys Dam Road Panyule Rd Youngs Lane
<b>Trawool</b>	Greenslopes Road	
<b>Tyaak</b>	Cunnighams Road	
<b>Upper Plenty</b>	Lords Road Mahadys Road	Stokes Track
<b>Wallan</b>	Beauview Drive Darraweit Road Old Sydney Road Poulters Lane	Rowes Lane Stockdale Road Wallan Heights Road
<b>Wandong</b>	Union Lane Dry Creek Road	North Mountain Road
<b>Whiteheads Creek</b>	East West Hall Lane Fernside Road Ghin Ghin Road Hall Lane Highlands Road Homewood Road	Kobyboyn Road Telegraph Road Telegraph Road South Wales Rd Wine Shanty La
<b>Willowmavin</b>	Diggings Road Forbes Moranding Road Split Staff Gully Rd	Tantaraboo Road Tomlinson Track

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