

HOW TO LEGALLY TRANSPORT ASH WOOD PRODUCTS FROM NEW HAMPSHIRE AND VERMONT TO MAINE

Know before you go in order to move materials safely and legally.

- 1) *What's the risk?* Potentially spreading emerald ash borer (EAB), a destructive and expensive forest pest, into non-infested areas through commercial transport of ash (*Fraxinus* spp.) materials.
- 2) *What items are regulated?* All life stages of EAB (eggs, larvae, pupae, adults), as well as wood products and nursery stock potentially infested with EAB, including:
 - Ash logs (i.e. roundwood and pulpwood)
 - Wood chips with an ash component
 - Ash green lumber
 - Ash stumps, bark, branches, etc.
 - All hardwood firewood
- 3) *What exactly is prohibited?* Moving any regulated items from New Hampshire, Vermont or any other out-of-state location into non-quarantined portions of the State of Maine without a compliance agreement or shipping permit (www.maine.gov/eab).
- 4) *What is a compliance agreement or shipping permit?* A compliance agreement or shipping permit is between the Maine DACR, Bureau of Forestry and processors or suppliers in any state. When you qualify for a compliance agreement, you document where and when you moved the regulated items.
 - *Processor compliance agreements* certify a product has been processed to Maine standards to reduce its risk and make it safe to move to any location without restrictions.
 - *Supplier compliance agreements* allow suppliers to move non-certified EAB-regulated items to an EAB-compliant certified processor in Maine.
 - In addition to EAB regulations, Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine restrict all out-of-state firewood regardless of species. Be aware of firewood regulations and requirements before moving firewood across state lines.
- 5) *Who do I contact to get a compliance agreement?* Contact the Maine DACF, Bureau of Forestry for more information (207-287-7094).
- 6) For more information about EAB in Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont, visit: www.maine.gov/eab or www.nhbugs.org or www.vtinvasives.org.