

FIREWOOD

Why buy your firewood from Donegal Woodland Owners Society?

QUALITY , dry timber cut and split to size.

TRACEABILITY, grown and processed in Donegal. By buying from our members you are supporting local jobs and business.

RELIABILITY, growers and firewood producers are here to stay. All felled timber must be replanted for future use. Our aim is to supply a quality product and keep our customers.



Wood is a renewable energy source and a biofuel so it is carbon neutral. Buying fuel locally reduces your carbon footprint and supports the local economy.

Types of wood available:

HARDWOOD: ash, alder, birch etc. burns for longer. It is slower growing so it is harder and dearer than softwood.

SOFTWOOD: the main timber grown in Donegal. Most readily available are Sitka Spruce and Lodgepole Pine. It burns faster than hardwood but is cheaper and provides good heat. Due to supply softwood is the most widely sold in Donegal.

You can buy logs in sizes ranging from net bags to bulk loads; including bulk bags, crates, trailer loads etc. Both hardwood and softwood are available, larger quantities can be cut to your ideal size.

Remember all our producers supply *dry*, seasoned logs ready to burn. Beware of poor quality *wet* logs sold by some outlets. *Wet* logs give no heat, they smoulder not burn, soot up your stove and cause tar in the chimney. They are a rip off and a chimney sweeps nightmare. *Dry* logs are a clean and efficient way to heat your home.



If you want to buy unseasoned (wet) timber either as tree lengths or logs to dry and season yourself this option is available at a lower price. There is more work involved though as the wood needs to be cut, split, stacked and seasoned for about a year, protected from the rain and needs good air circulation. *Wet* timber in a closed shed equals damp mouldy wood.

BURNING YOUR LOGS

Open fires may look nice but are very inefficient, approx. 70% of the heat goes up the chimney. This applies to whatever fuel you burn – wood, coal or turf.

STOVES and RANGES are much more efficient, even a small wood burner gives plenty of heat that is easily controlled, if you can install a larger model that also heats the water and radiators you will cut your fuel bills even more. Solid fuel stoves and ranges are available from a large number of suppliers. Modern technology and design has improved heat output and they come in a wide selection of designs and prices. Also burners that can be fitted into an existing fireplace are available.

Should you require any advice on burning or storing timber we will be pleased to advise you.



DWOSL firewood producers are in most areas of Donegal.

If you want to order **DWOSL firewood please contact**

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