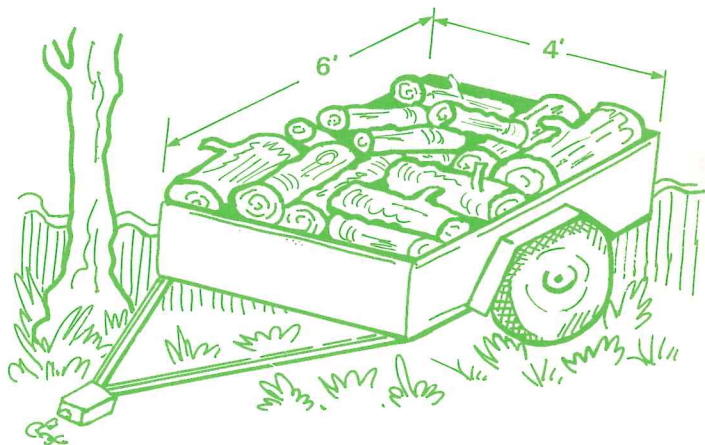


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1992 WINTER FIREWOOD



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Stop the Rot



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Stop the Rot

To manage firewood collection from State forests and timber reserves more efficiently the Department of Conservation and Land Management (CALM) has set aside areas where you can collect wood without the risk of spreading DIEBACK - THE DISEASE THAT IS ROTTING OUR FORESTS.

This disastrous forest disease is a microscopic, soil-borne fungus. It needs water to survive, so is dormant in summer but very active in winter. It is spread when soil is moved, usually on vehicle tyres.

HELP STOP THE ROT BY:

1. collecting firewood **only** from a designated CALM public firewood area
2. driving **only** on graded roads (where you're also unlikely to get bogged) and using a wheelbarrow to move firewood to your vehicle
3. avoiding Disease Risk Areas.



Where may I collect firewood?

Apart from private land, firewood may be collected **only** in State forest or timber reserves managed by CALM.

Firewood from the areas shown on the enclosed plans can only be collected for non-commercial use. **LOADS ARE RESTRICTED TO ONE 6'X 4' TRAILER (½ TONNE) PER FAMILY.**

Uncontrolled gathering of firewood can seriously damage the forest environment, so precautions and penalties are necessary. Therefore, wood gathering is prohibited in national parks, nature reserves, other conservation reserves and areas of State forest declared Disease Risk Areas other than those shown on the accompanying plans. Entry into Disease Risk Areas is illegal without a licence.

Our roadside vegetation is also precious, so please **do not** collect firewood in these areas.



Where do I go?

CALM firewood areas have been located as close as possible to Perth (see enclosed plans). As wood consists of scattered trimmings you will need to cut and collect it.

What timber is best?

All dry or seasoned wood produces approximately the same quantity of heat per tonne. The major differences between species is density of wood (and hence burning time), ability to burn freely, amount of ash, sparks, smoke and smell produced and ease with which logs can be split.

The common firewoods available near Perth are:

- Pinaster Pine - readily available and burns well with moderate ash production. A fast drying and low density wood, easily split and used extensively for firewood.

- Marri - medium to high density wood that burns freely. Medium amount of ash produced and is moderately easy to split.

- Wandoo - high density wood that burns slowly. It produces low to medium amount of ash. It is moderately easy to split when green but is difficult when it has dried out.

- Jarrah - becoming scarce from long history of firewood use. It is medium to high density wood which burns reasonably freely. It produces some sparks, produces low to medium amount of ash and is moderately easy to split.

Free firewood areas

In some of the areas shown on the plans, you can collect your limit of one 6' x 4' trailer load (½ tonne) free of charge.

There is no guarantee that quality firewood will be available for the whole season in free firewood areas. The fee-payable areas are a more reliable source for your firewood.

Fee-payable areas

Fee-payable areas have firewood from timber felled during thinning operations and require a \$14.00 fee for each 6' x 4' trailer load to recoup the costs of CALM supervision. The fee receipt must be carried in your vehicle and is issued from Mundaring, Kelmscott and Como CALM offices.

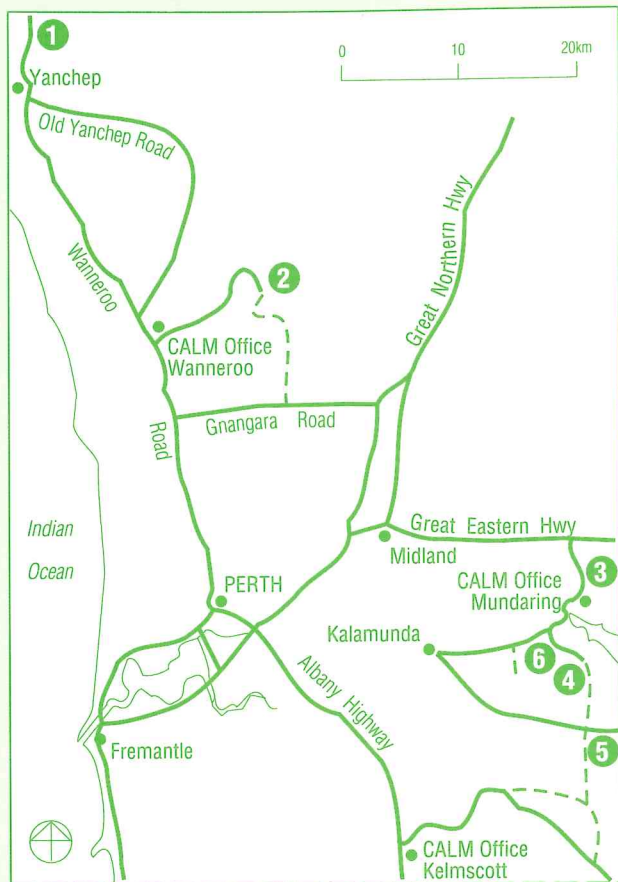
The wood in fee-payable areas consists of felled trees that you will need to cut to size and carry to your trailer. A wheelbarrow will be handy. The wood here is higher in quality and quantity than in free firewood areas.

Summer firewood areas

CALM also sets aside summer firewood areas which are either free or half the price of winter areas ie. \$7.00 a ½ tonne. This is to encourage you to collect firewood when dieback is dormant. In spring, ask at your nearest CALM office for more details.

LOCATION OF FIREWOOD AREAS

North of Kelmscott



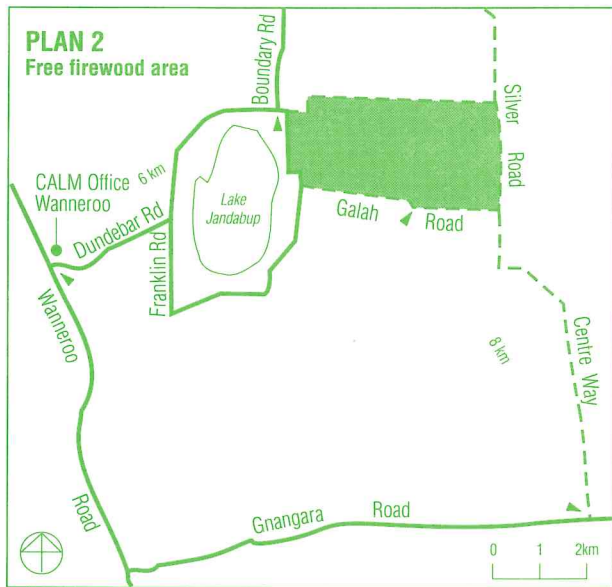
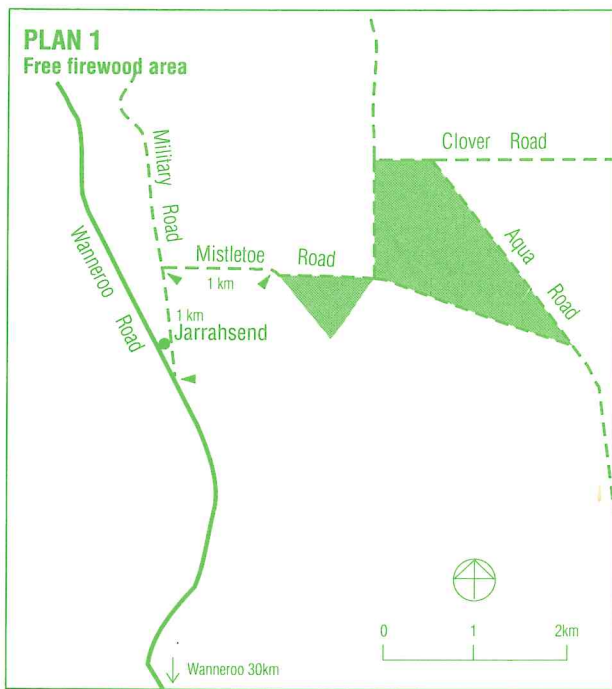
- 1** Numbers show locations of free firewood areas and fee payable areas. See detailed plans on the following pages

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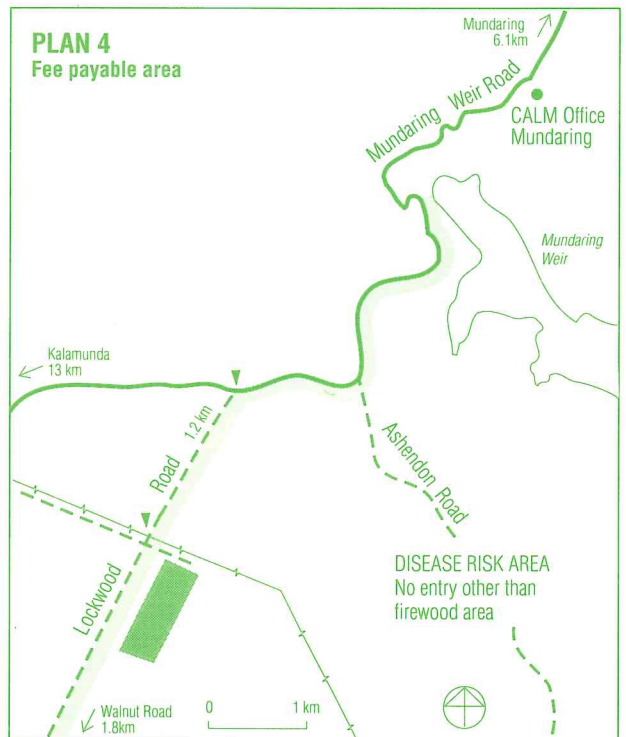
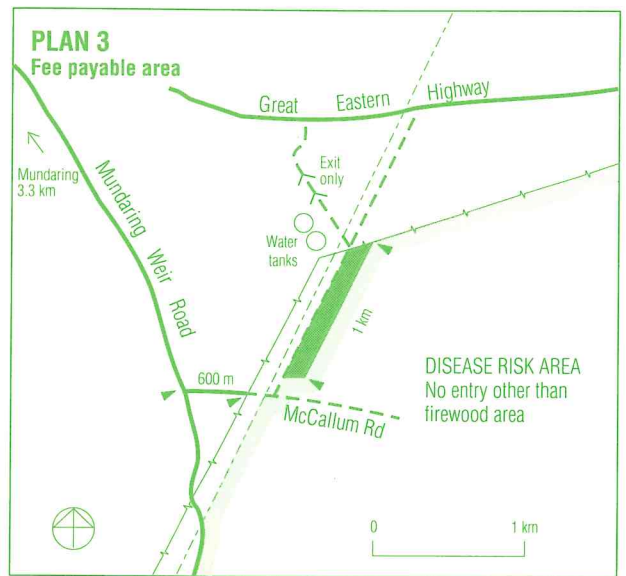
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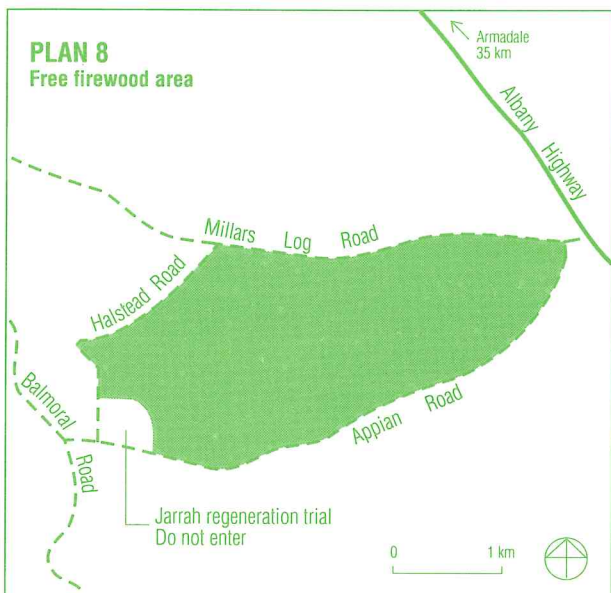
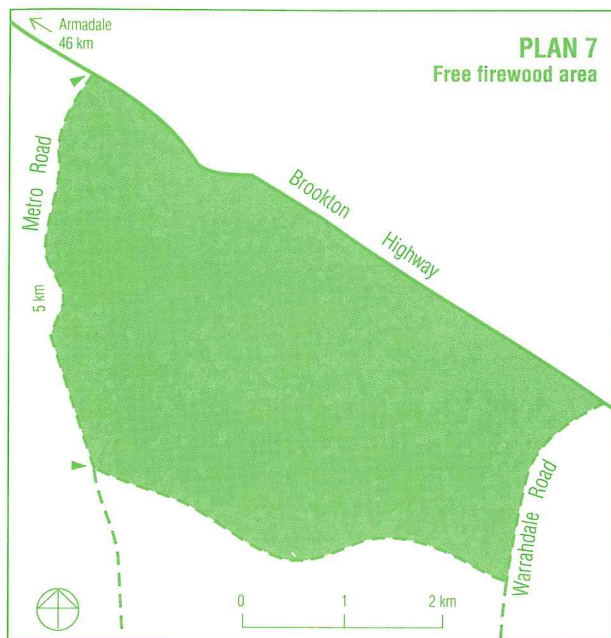
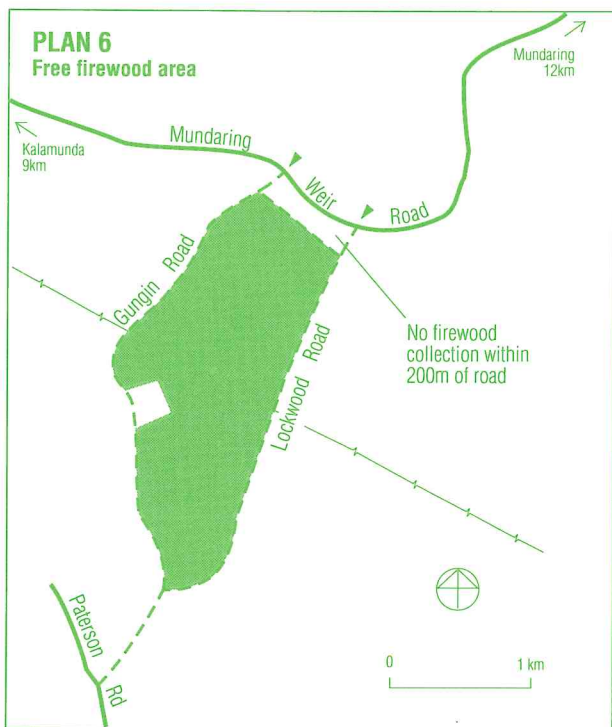
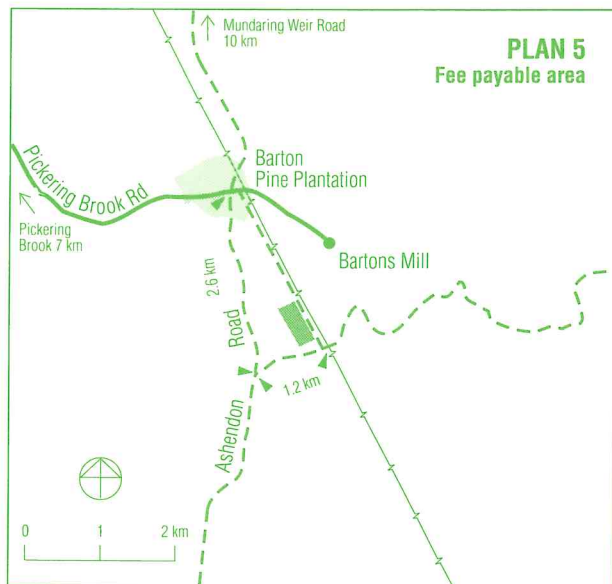


-  Sealed roads
-  Unsealed roads
- 2** Firewood areas



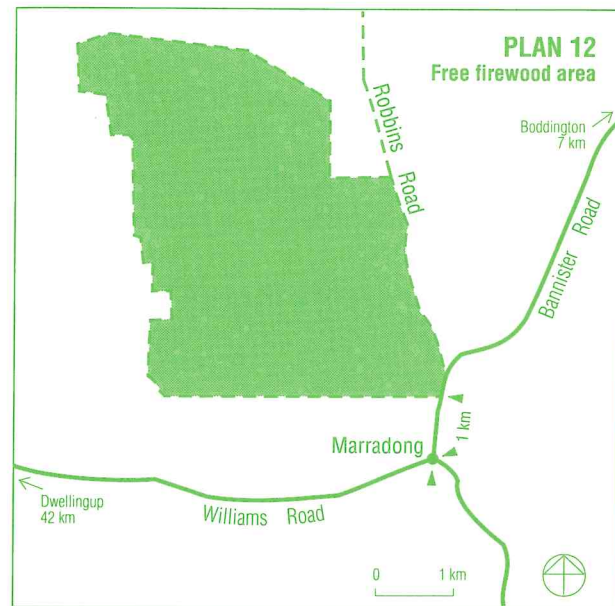
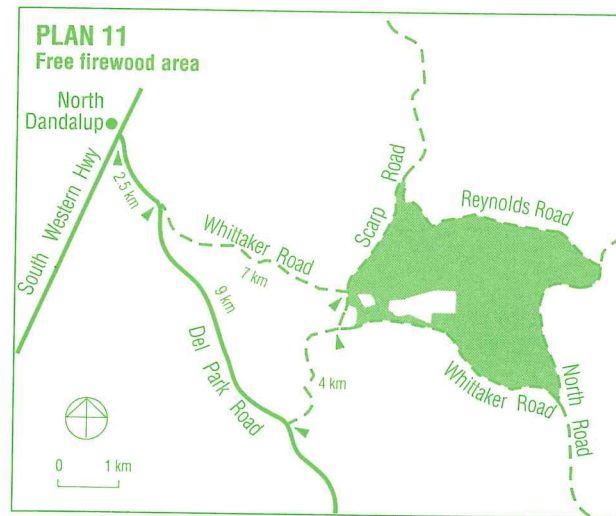
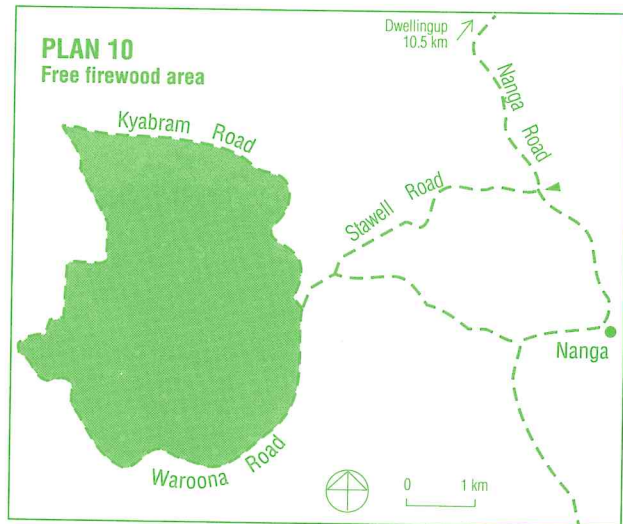
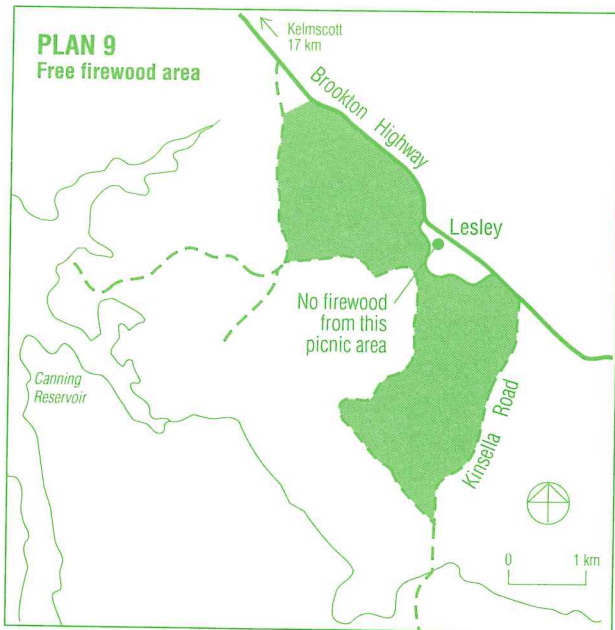
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PLAN 13

Fee payable area

Plan 13 is available from the CALM office at Dwellingup when you pay your \$14.00 fee.
Office open Monday – Friday, 8.30am to 4pm

PLAN 14

Fee payable area

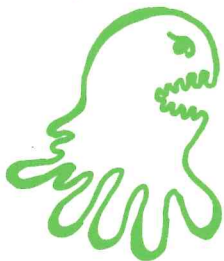
Plan 14 is available from the CALM Office at Mundaring or Kelmscott when you pay your \$14.00 fee.
Offices open Monday – Friday, 8.30am to 4pm
Kelmscott Office also open weekends 10.00am to 3pm

What do I need?

YOUR CHECKLIST

- PLANS
- FEE RECEIPT (for fee payable areas)
- TRAILER OR UTE
- WHEELBARROW
- CHAINSAW
- SAFE FOOTWEAR AND CLOTHING
- EAR PLUGS AND FIRST AID KIT
- RUBBISH BAG

Sometimes people destroy or remove Firewood Area location signs. If you find evidence of a sign having been removed or destroyed please report it to the nearest CALM OFFICE and it will be replaced as soon as possible.



Remember

When you are in State forests or timber reserves:

- ❖ Only collect wood that is on the ground. Cutting standing trees is dangerous to yourself and adjacent vegetation and is illegal.
- ❖ The limit is one 6' x 4' trailer load (½ tonne).
- ❖ Firewood that you collect CANNOT BE SOLD. A special licence must be granted to sell firewood.
- ❖ Keep your vehicles on graded roads so that you won't spread dieback and damage vegetation. Take a wheelbarrow to move wood to your trailer or ute.
- ❖ It is illegal to have firearms in State forest or timber reserves.
- ❖ If you picnic please don't light fires on the ground and please take your rubbish home with you.
- ❖ Wildflowers are for all to enjoy so picking is illegal.
- ❖ Some Shires have noise abatement regulations including prohibitions on the use of chainsaws on Sunday. Compliance with these regulations is your responsibility.

Thank you for your co-operation and

*Help
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