

FIREWOOD ALERT



THE MOVEMENT OF EMERALD ASH BORER



Exotic insect pests like Emerald Ash Borer are a major threat to Michigan's 19 million acres of forestland and 700 million ash trees. This insect aggressively attacks ash trees, killing them in one to three years.

Emerald Ash Borer can become established in new areas due to the movement of infested firewood. Detecting infestations in firewood is very difficult. The insect survives the winter under the bark of firewood and will emerge the following year. To prevent spread of the insect into new areas of the state, DO NOT MOVE ANY FIREWOOD.

When traveling around Michigan:

- ▶ Use local sources of firewood
- ▶ Do not bring any firewood from Washtenaw or other quarantined counties
- ▶ If you suspect firewood has been moved out of the quarantine area, contact the Emerald Ash Borer hotline at (866) 325-0023

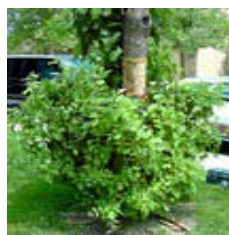


Locally within Washtenaw County:

Within the county, ash wood can be used as firewood, ground into chips, buried or dropped off at no charge at a Michigan Ash tree disposal site. The Washtenaw site is located at 4120 Platt Road.



Die Back



Sucker Growth



Larvae



S-shaped Galleries



D shaped exit holes

When traveling in Michigan in areas out of the quarantine, be on the lookout for this serious pest. If you see the above symptoms on ash trees please report it through the toll-free Michigan Emerald Ash Borer hotline. Quarantine information can be found at the web site listed below.

Michigan Emerald Ash Borer Hotline: (866) 325-0023

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Visit the Emerald Ash Borer web site at <http://emeraldashborer.info/> or call the Washtenaw County Extension office at (734) 997-1678