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| **Equipment Required** | **Material Required** | **Personal Protective Equipment** |
| Wood Splitter | Wood | Steel toe footwear |
|  | Straight Gas | Gloves |
|  | Engine Oil |  |
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**Job Steps**

1. Perform safety check of splitter. Fill gas/oil if required.
2. Shut off splitter for re fueling.
3. Use proper lifting techniques when loading wood onto the splitter.
4. Level splitter.
5. Put wood splitter piston in the furthest back position and load wood in front of the piston.
6. Engage the splitter-split the wood, keeping hands on the controls and away from the wood.
7. When cycle is complete, return the cylinder and move split wood away from the work area.
8. Continue with next piece of wood. When finished splitting wood rake/clean up bits of wood from the work area.

**Note**: When there are 2 people – one operating the splitter and one loading the splitter. The operator must be always aware of the “loader”. The splitter piston must be stopped while the “loader” is loading the wood. The operator and/or the “loader” shall not lean in to grab any stuck pieces of wood on the piston as the piston is moving back into the ready position.