

We take great care to ensure our logs are **suitably dry and ready for use**. All our firewood is seasoned and barn stored in a dry, well-ventilated environment to bring the moisture content down to an efficient burning level. This means our logs light more easily, burn hotter and cleaner, and help reduce smoke, soot and tar build-up in your chimney or flue.

## **Legal Guidance for Loads Over 2m³**

Under current regulations, if we sell firewood in quantities greater than 2 cubic metres in a single transaction, the wood does not have to be "Ready to Burn" certified.

However, we must provide guidance to customers on how to store and season the wood before burning to ensure it is dry enough for efficient, low-smoke use.

If we GTC Environmental sell wood in volumes of 2 cubic metres or more in England we must provide our customers with this notice:

"This wood is not suitable for burning until it has been dried. You should not burn wood until it has a moisture content of 20% or less.

"Wet wood contains moisture which creates smoke and harmful particulates when burnt. As well as being harmful to your health and the environment, this can damage your stove and chimney and is an inefficient way to heat your home. Dry it in a sunny, well-aired space for at least two years, keeping rain off in the winter.

"Radial cracks and bark that comes off easily suggests wood that is ready for burning. Test the wood when you think it is ready for burning, ideally with a moisture meter. First calibrate the meter and then measure a freshly split surface to get the best reading."