

# Ohio Living and Working in an ALB Quarantine Zone

Humans can unknowingly transport the ALB hundreds of miles in firewood, lumber or other wood materials from infested trees. To help stop the spread of the Asian Longhorned beetle (ALB) from human transport, Federal and State agencies have established quarantine zones around infested areas. These are also called “regulated areas.” The beetle, its larvae and eggs as well as materials that could potentially contain them cannot be moved from these areas.

These “regulated” materials include:

- Firewood from all hardwood species.
- Green lumber and living, cut, dead and fallen material from host trees, including:
- Nursery stock
- Logs
- Stumps
- Roots
- Branches
- Debris more than 1/2 inch in diameter

In addition to regulating host materials, additional steps are taken to eradicate the ALB, which can include surveys, tree removal, pesticide treatment applications and regulatory surveillance.

## **Working in a Quarantine Zone/Regulated Area**

Many businesses handle plants, nursery stock, tree limbs, branches or wood material that could contain the ALB, its larvae and eggs. In a quarantine zone, you cannot move host materials outside the quarantined area unless they are chipped to less than one inch in two dimensions.

In ALB regulated areas businesses may enter into a compliance agreement with the State ALB Program. To enter into an agreement, individuals and businesses must successfully complete a training program on the proper handling and disposal of ALB host materials. In Massachusetts and Ohio a compliance agreement is required to handle host material. Without a compliance agreement, you cannot harvest, cut, move, carry, transport, or ship (or authorize or allow any other person to do the same) regulated materials within or outside of the quarantine zone.

## **State ALB Programs**

For more information on compliance agreements, disposal sites and more, call the [ALB Program in your state](#).

## **Living in a Quarantine Zone/Regulated Area**

If you live in a regulated area, there are lots of ways you can help stop the spread of the ALB:

- Regularly inspect the trees on your property for the beetle and signs of infestation. If you find either, report your findings immediately.
- Do not move any regulated material such as firewood, nursery stock, wood debris or lumber from host trees.
- Do not move firewood. Get your firewood where you plan to burn it.
- Allow officials access to your property for inspection and, if necessary, eradication work.
- Move brush, leaves and twigs of regulated materials that are less than ½ inch in diameter to approved disposal sites. Call your State ALB Program for a disposal site near you.
- Don't plant host trees. Below is a list of recommended trees.

## **Recommended Trees**

American Arborvitae	Crabapple	Honeylocust	Ornamental Cherry
American Hophornbeam	Dawn Redwood	Japanese Tree Lilac	Serbian Spruce
American Sweetgum	Eastern Redbud	Japanese Zelkova	Serviceberry
American Yellowwood	Eastern Red cedar	Kentucky Coffeetree	Silver Linden
Amur Corktree	cultivars	Kousa Dogwood	Stewartia
Baldcypress	European Hornbeam	Leland Cypress	Swiss Stone Pine
Beech	Flowering Dogwood	Littleleaf Linden	Tulip Tree
Blackgum/Tupelo	Ginkgo	Magnolia	Turkish Filbert
Carolina Silverbell	Gray Dogwood	Mountain Silverbell	Upright White Pine
Chinese Juniper cultivars	Hawthorne	Oak	White Fringetree