

§ 14-135.1. Wood load tickets required for certain wood product sales; exceptions; penalties.

(a) Definition. – For purposes of this section, the term "wood product" means trees, timber, wood, or any combination thereof.

(b) Requirement. – Except as provided in this section, whenever a timber buyer or timber operator purchases wood product by the load directly from a timber grower or seller and the load is sold by weight, cord, or measure of board feet, the timber buyer or operator shall furnish the timber grower or seller, within 30 days of the completion of the wood product harvest, a separate, true, and accurate wood load ticket for each load of wood product removed from the timber grower's or seller's property. At a minimum, each wood load ticket shall include all of the following information provided by the timber grower or seller who sold the wood product:

- (1) The name of the timber grower or seller.
- (2) The county from which the wood product was severed.
- (3) The amount of wood product severed.
- (4) The date the wood product was delivered to the timber buyer or timber operator.

(c) Applicability. – The provisions of this section do not apply to the following:

- (1) The sale of wood for firewood only.
- (2) A landowner harvesting and processing their own timber.
- (3) Bulk or lump sum sales for an agreed total price for all timber purchased and sold in one transaction.

(d) Punishment. – Any person who violates this section is guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor. (2021-78, s. 6(a).)