

## Stone Permit Required Info:

The Bald Eagle State Forest District Office (BESF) is open from 8 AM to 4 PM, Monday through Friday.

You may also mail in a request for a permit. Please include the following:

1. First and last name
2. Full mailing address
3. Telephone number
4. License plate number(s) of the vehicle(s) being used for transport
5. How many tons of stone you are requesting (\$5 per ton, plus tax; minimum of 2 tons)
6. Name two roads in BESF where you wish to collect stone
7. Check made payable to the "Commonwealth of Pennsylvania"
8. A self-addressed and stamped return envelope

Mail the request to:

DCNR - Bureau of Forestry  
Bald Eagle State Forest District  
18865 Old Turnpike Road  
Millmont, PA 17845

## Scout in Advance!

You must be prepared to explain the location of the stone at the time of requesting the permit (such as the names of roads). You are encouraged to check the area beforehand, particularly if there is a specific type of stone that you are looking for.



## Mountain Stone Permits Gathering and Removal of Surface Stone

This brochure contains current regulations regarding the gathering and removal of stone from Bald Eagle State Forest.

Compliance with these regulations is necessary to ensure a continuing supply of stone in the future, along with supporting the forest's health. Please observe them. Non-compliance could make further restrictions necessary to protect the forest resources and your future mountain stone supply.

## Bald Eagle State Forest Forest District # 7

18865 Old Turnpike Road  
Millmont, PA 17845

(570) 922-3344  
(570) 922-4696 fax

fd07@pa.gov



[www.dcnr.state.pa.us](http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us)

## Mountain Stone Permits Bald Eagle State Forest



## Utilizing Mountain Stone for Personal Use

- Overall Guidelines
- Permit Information
- Locations with Restrictions
- PPE and Safety



**pennsylvania**  
DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
AND NATURAL RESOURCES

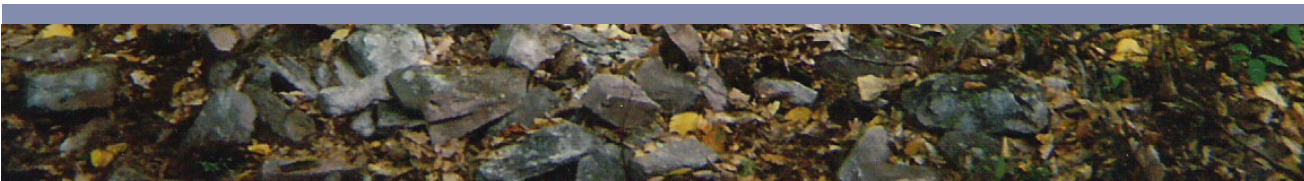
[www.dcnr.state.pa.us](http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us)

Rev. April 21, 2020

## Overall Guidelines

**This stone is for personal use only.  
It cannot be resold.**

1. Individual stone permits are sold by the ton (2,000 pounds) at a price of \$5.00 per ton. **The minimum permit sold will be for 2 tons of stone.** The maximum total permits issued for a household per calendar **YEAR** will be 10 tons of stone. Pennsylvania sales tax will be collected. Only two (2) road locations may be listed on a permit.
2. Permits expire in thirty (30) days, and are dated the day they are written. Only two roads, areas, or trails may be listed on a permit. Your permit must be displayed on your vehicle dash.
3. Gathering of stone is not allowed in designated natural or wild areas, or from any live or intermittent stream channel, spring, wetland, pond, or any other ecologically sensitive area as designated by the District Forester.
4. All Natural Areas and Wild Areas are closed to the removal of stone.
5. One (1) ton of mountain stone is approximately one layer of stone 4 feet wide by 8 feet long by 5 inches thick, or about one 5-inch layer in a full-sized pick-up truck bed.
6. Your receipt is your permit to remove mountain stone from the Bald Eagle State Forest, subject to any additional restrictions listed on the permit. A permit is not transferable. The time limit will not be extended. A permit may be suspended or revoked at any time for violations of State forest rules and regulations. Each individual transporting mountain stone from State forest lands **MUST** have a valid permit which must be shown to a State forest ranger or State forest officer upon request.
7. Stone must be hand-picked. Trenching or quarrying is not permitted. Off-road use of vehicles is prohibited. Hand-carrying or non-motorized wheelbarrows are permitted.
8. Cutting of live trees, bushes, or shrubs to remove stones is prohibited.
9. Excess stones must be removed from road surfaces, ditch lines, and culverts for public safety and for storm water control.
10. This permit does not authorize you to cross any private lands. No permits will be issued for any areas that are not directly accessible from public roads (such as state highway, county road, township road, or state forest roads open to travel).
11. For safety precautions, gloves and boots or safety shoes should be worn when gathering stone. Eye protection should be worn when cutting or dressing stone.



## “Go Native” with these 6 basics

1. **Protect native plant communities and minimize habitat destruction.**  
The easiest, least expensive, and best way to conserve PA’s plant heritage is to protect existing native plant communities from further disturbance. If disturbance is necessary, strive for minimum impact on habitat.
2. **Landscape with native plants.**  
Well-chosen native plants can perform beautifully in your landscapes. For a short list of recommended native plants easily purchased, see the table in the “Landscaping with Native Plants” DCNR brochure (found at the link at the bottom).
3. **Learn more about native plants.**  
Learn what plants are native in your area. Many field guides and online resources can help you get started. Days afield in PA’s parks and wildlands getting to know the wildflowers are both delightful and educational.
4. **Buy nursery-propagated native plants.**  
Many retail nurseries and mail-order catalogues now offer native plants. As more consumers request native plants, these sources of supply will grow, making it even easier for more gardeners to go native.
5. **Do not remove native plants from the wild.**  
Taking plants from the wild depletes native populations. Also, many wild-collected plants do not survive transplanting. Collect seed only where plants are abundant, and take at most 10 percent of the seed crop.
6. **Practice responsible landscaping techniques.**  
The first rule of responsible landscaping is to plant the right plants in the right environment. Choose plants that match the prevailing light and soil conditions—shade or sun, wet or dry, and acid or neutral pH.