

Weekend Fuel Allowance for a Thirty Man Company

Per the U.S. Reg's 1068 and C.S. Reg's 962, "The [] amount of fuel for officers and men are as follows :

Cords of wood per month from 1 Oct to 30 Apr :	
- Major General	5
- Brigadier General or Colonel	4
- Captain	3
- Lieutenant	2
- Each nco, officer, musician, private, officer's servant, and washerwoman :	1/6

If each man receives 1/6th of a cord per month, then six men equals one full cord per month. A company of 30 men equals five cords for thirty days. With a standard of five cords for thirty days, the number for two days equals : (five cords times 2/30 days) or (five cords times 1/15 days) or (5 cords /15 days) or 1/3 cord for two days.

A cord equals 128 cubic feet or a pile four feet (48") wide by four feet high (48") by eight feet (96") long. Figures for the below calculations :

- One third of the width of a cord (48") equals 1/3 times 48" wide or = 16" ; and
- One third of the height of a cord (48") equals 1/3 times high = 16" ;
- One third of the length of a cord (96") equals 1/3 times 96" long = 32"

Based on these above figures, the army winter allowance for a company of thirty men, excluding officers, for a weekend is a pile 16" wide by 16" high by 32" long. Other sizes :

- Pile for a 20 man company : 10.6" x 10.6" x 21.2" (2/3's of a thirty man company)
- Pile for a 15 man company : 8" x 8" x 16" (1/2 of a thirty man company)
- Pile for a 10 man company : 5.3" x 5.3" x 10.6" (1/3 of the thirty man company)

The monthly winter allowance for one captain (3 cords) and one lieutenant (2 cords) adds another five cords to a thirty man company's allotment of five cords and doubles a company's allotment. The weekend pile size based upon these figures :

- Pile for a captain : 9.6" x 9.6" x 19.2" (3/5's of the five cord figure)
- Pile for a lieutenant : 6.4" x 6.4" x 12.8" (2/5's of the five cord figure)

For ease of distribution, requests for fuel will be issued per request using a more generous 12"x12"x24" stack for each twenty men. To this will be added an 8"x8"x16" for each line officer. Since most large companies will have two line officers and since the pile size for one captain and one lieutenant equals a 16"x16"x32" pile, it's easier allocate a 8"x8"x16" pile for each officer of the company. This is because the reenactment pile for two line officers is the same size as the regulation pile for a captain and a lieutenant.

Regarding the type of wood, "Merchantable hard wood is the standard." See, U.S. Army Regulations at 1069 and C.S. Army Regulations at 962. Also note that, "Two cords of pine wood for fuel may, at the discretion of a department commander, be issued in lieu of one cord of oak, provided the cost not be greater [] or coal, at the rate of 1500 lbs. anthracite, or 30 bushels bituminous, to the cord." See U.S. Reg's at 1068.

To received wood, company commanders must print and bring three of the following forms for the weekend. Present one to the provost guard which will be guarding the wood. After each company has received an issuance, repeat requisitions will be allowed.

No. 29. —(VOUCHER TO ABSTRACT F.)

Requisition for Fuel for _____ Company, _____ Reg't of _____ Batt'n for the weekend of _____, 186_____

Station.	Captains.	Subalterns.	Total officers	Non-commissioned, and privates.	Laundresses and servants.	Total enlisted and others	TOTAL ALLOWANCE.						Remarks.
							Wood.			Coal.			
							Cords.	Feet.	Inches.	Bushels.	Pounds.		
Total													

I certify that the above requisition is correct and just, and that fuel has not been drawn for any part of the time above charged.

_____, Commanding Company.

Received, _____, 18 _____, of _____, _____ C.S. Army,

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