

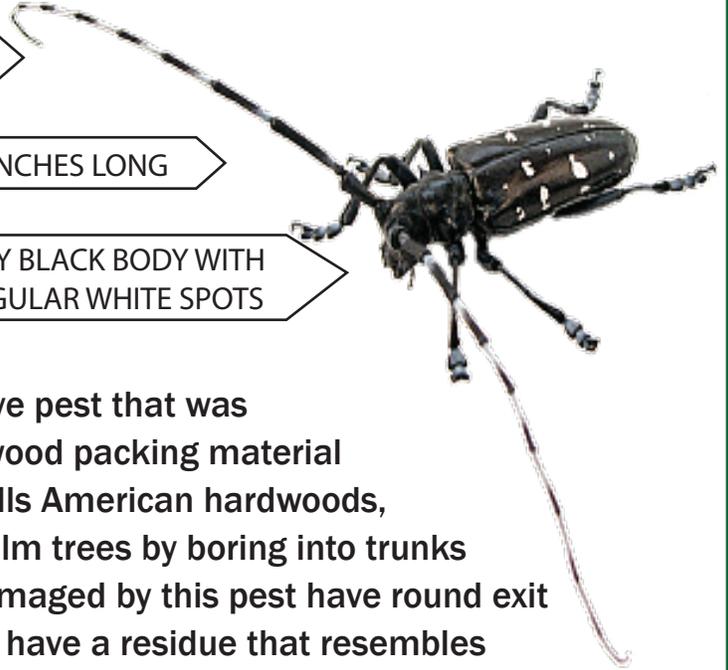
PROTECT YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD FROM THE ASIAN LONGHORNED BEETLE

BLACK AND WHITE STRIPED
ANTENNAE, 1-3 INCHES LONG

1 - 1 1/2 INCHES LONG

LEAVE PERFECTLY ROUND EXIT
HOLES - 3/8 in IN DIAMETER

SHINY BLACK BODY WITH
IRREGULAR WHITE SPOTS



The Asian longhorned beetle (ALB) is an invasive pest that was introduced to the US through the transport of wood packing material from China. The ALB attacks and eventually kills American hardwoods, such as maple, ash, birch, willow, poplar, and elm trees by boring into trunks and branches during its larvae stage. Trees damaged by this pest have round exit holes about one half inch in diameter and may have a residue that resembles sawdust, called frass, piled up at the base. “The ALB has the potential to be one of the most destructive and costly invasive species ever to enter the United States¹.”

The ALB was first discovered in Worcester in August 2008. 1,566 trees were scheduled to be removed in the winter of this year, in addition to the 25,575 trees already removed from the City. A 74-square mile quarantine zone has been set up around the infested area in Worcester and surrounding towns, and moving firewood out of the area is strictly prohibited. “The most effective way to stop the ALB during fall and winter is to not move firewood¹.”

In a continuing effort to completely eradicate the ALB in Massachusetts, \$41.5 million in emergency funding has been allocated to increase tree surveys, expand treatments, and ensure the timely removal of infested trees.



don't move firewood



FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REPORT ANY SUSPICIOUS TREE DAMAGE OR SIGHTINGS
PLEASE CALL 508-532-6030 OR VISIT [HTTP://MASSNRC.ORG/PESTS/ALB](http://MASSNRC.ORG/PESTS/ALB)

¹Living and Working in a Regulated Area. Asian Longhorned Beetle: Massachusetts. Program Aid No. 2012 Nov 2009

<http://www.aphis.usda.gov/publications/plant_health/content/printable_version/ALB_regulated_area_mass.pdf>

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³USDA Announces Additional Funding to Eradicate the Asian Longhorned Beetle in Massachusetts. Release No. 0007.10. USDA News Release. 11 Jan 2010.

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