

# “One-Handed” Firewood Gripper

William Steines, Wausau, Wis., recently sent photos of his “best buy” Lockhart Firewood Gripper that he uses to handle firewood.

The one-handed firewood gripper is available in three sizes to fit all standard firewood – small for logs 15 to 18 in. long; medium for logs 18 to 21 in. long; and large for logs 21 to 24 in. long.

Each unit has two hooks with a handle in between. The handle consists of a reinforced hydraulic hose inside a rubber hose, which provides a soft, bendable grip. The hooks tightly grab the end of a log as you lift.

“I bought my first gripper about two years ago. At first I was quite skeptical as to its usefulness, but now I own three Grippers – two medium and one long,” says Steines.

“I find I no longer have a stiff and sore back after a day spent cutting firewood. That’s because I no longer have to stoop to pick up heavy firewood blocks onto the splitter or trailer, etc. Several of my friends have also purchased grippers after using mine for just one day. It’s definitely my best buy.”

According to inventor Sam Lockhart, your

hands never touch the log so you never get them wet or dirty.

“People are amazed at how well it works. It also eliminates splinters and bruised knuckles, and the need to stoop to lift heavy logs. The Gripper is guaranteed to lift at least 150 lbs., but I’ve used it to lift 300 lbs. The handle is soft but strong – one time I hooked the gripper between a truck and 4-wheeler and then tried to drive the 4-wheeler forward. The 4-wheeler started spinning its wheels and almost pulled the truck backward, but the gripper never came apart.”

Prices for the firewood gripper, small to large, are \$17.95, \$18.95, and \$19.95 plus \$5.95 S&H for the first hook, \$2 for each additional hook.

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Rubber handle provides a soft, bendable grip.



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Specifically Jackson specializes in the following tractors:

- Ford 8N, Jubilee/NAA, 600 Series, 800 Series, 1000 Series and the Ford Industrial tractors

- International Harvester 300, 330 and 350 Utility and Farmall tractors, and the H and M Farmalls.

- Oliver Super 55 and 550 tractors
- John Deere 750, 850, 950 and 1050 compact tractors.

“In addition, says Jackson, “We are always looking for different makes and models of tractors to build steering for. In the past, we have had customers bring their tractors to us from as far away as New York State.”

Jackson Power Steering offers two types of power steering. One is Hydrostatic Power Steering; the other is the Torque Generator type.

The Torque Generator type of steering is a unit that is spliced into the steering shaft. Actually, it is a directional control valve combined with a motor to assist turning the steering shaft going to the steering gear box. It provides very good steering in those applications where one has 9 in. of steering shaft space to fit the unit into. The Torque

Generator is not meant to be installed on vehicles going over 20 MPH.

The Hydrostatic power steering will upgrade the steering on your tractor to equal the steering ease of a car. There will be no mechanical link between the tractor’s steering wheel and the front wheels. Therefore you will not have to spend the money to restore the tractor’s steering gear box. In tractors where the internal tractor hydraulics is not sufficient to power the steering, a front-mounted loader pump is used, on tractors fitted with a loader.

To install the unit, you simply remove your tractor’s original steering wheel, steering column, and steering worm gear. All those original parts can be placed in a storage box and stored away in case you want to go back original some day. The steering unit would mount on the top of your present steering gear box, with its own steering wheel, steering column steering control unit and bracket. Once installed, it is hard to see the steering control unit since it looks factory.

The steering unit uses a priority flow valve to divide the flow, giving the steering unit all the fluid it wants, and then sending the rest to the 3-pt. hitch and loader. This gives you effortless steering regardless of the load on the loader or the speed of the engine.

The steering unit is built so anyone can



install it using standard tools. Excellent instructions with lots of pictures are provided. In addition, factory help is as close as the phone if the customer has questions.

There is much more information, regarding the steering unit, at the Jackson website: [www.jacksonpowersteering.com](http://www.jacksonpowersteering.com)

Included are customer testimonials, pictures, video, and a section of questions and answers about the steering unit.

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