Brush Pile Construction Checklist

A brush pile construction checklist for building cover piles that shelter small wildlife, covering site choice, materials, layering, and upkeep on farms and woodlots and is free to print.

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ITEM	OK	FIX	N/A
Pile locations chosen and mapped	☐	☐	☐
Site near existing cover	☐	☐	☐
Large base logs placed	☐	☐	☐
Layers built with open spaces	☐	☐	☐
Materials free of problem plants	☐	☐	☐
Pile sized to the site	☐	☐	☐
Entrances open for small animals	☐	☐	☐
Pile kept clear of buildings	☐	☐	☐
Condition checked each year	☐	☐	☐

NOTES / REPAIRS NEEDED

TIP Keep piles away from structures and follow local burn and fire rules when old piles are removed.

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