Transportation is a key element of all scrap tire management systems. Transporters are authorized to deliver scrap tires only to authorized facilities.

Authorized facilities include:

- licensed collection, storage, monocell, monofill or recovery facilities;
- regulated solid waste incinerators or energy recovery facilities;
- premises authorized for beneficial use;
- another registered transporter;
- compliant facilities in another state;
- legally operating unregistered scrap tire facilities, such as tire retail dealers or retreaders.

If a transporter takes tires to an unauthorized location, the transporter must remove and retransport the scrap tires to an approved facility.

In Ohio, anyone who transports more than 10 scrap tires must annually register with Ohio EPA. In some cases, this includes transporters who haul used tires and retreadable casings transported to another tire dealer or tire retreader.

New transporters must submit a registration application and $300 to Ohio EPA at least 90 days
before transporting any tires. The registration must be renewed, and the fee repaid, each year. Tire retreaders, motor vehicle salvage and tire retail dealers can certify that they qualify for a waived or reduced annual fee.

Transporters also must provide a $20,000 financial assurance document to Ohio EPA prior to issuance of the registration. This ensures that there will be funding available for cleanup if the transporter illegally accumulates or disposes of scrap tires.

Each transport vehicle must carry a current, original registration certificate, printed on copy-proof, colored paper imprinted with the Seal of the State of Ohio. Copies or certificates issued by other states are not valid. It is illegal to loan registration certificates to anyone, including subcontractors, who are not employed by the business named on the original registration certificate.

Illegally transporting or disposing of scrap tires could cost you $10,000 to $25,000 or up to four years in prison. This applies even if you did not charge to transport or remove the tires.

For a list of registered transporters, registration application forms and more information about your responsibilities, go to epa.ohio.gov/scraptires.aspx or call (614) 728-5323.

If you suspect illegal scrap tire storage, transportation or dumping, please contact your local health department, law enforcement or Ohio EPA Scrap Tire Unit at 1-877-372-2621.

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