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Notice to Retailers Handling Scrap Tires

In accordance with [P.L. 2025, c. 389](#), the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is implementing a new statewide scrap tire management program requiring, amongst other things, licensing of scrap tire haulers. Under the law, scrap tire means:

1. A tire that is no longer prudent or practical for vehicular use; or
2. A tire that has not been used on a vehicle for more than six months after its last date of use.

Phased Implementation – What Retailers Must Do Now

Although the final system will require retailers to use fully licensed scrap tire haulers and ensure scrap tires are delivered to authorized facilities, DEP is currently in a phased implementation period.

At this stage, any entity that collects, picks up, or transports scrap tires must complete DEP's initial registration form. Submission of this initial registration:

1. Does not constitute a scrap tire hauler license, and
2. Does not replace future licensing requirements that will be established as the program develops.

Retailer Action Required During This Phase

Retailers must ensure that any scrap tire hauler they use has completed the required registration form and received confirmation from DEP.

The hauler should be able to show you their registration confirmation (electronic or printed).

1. If a hauler cannot provide confirmation, then the hauler must contact DEP immediately at scrap tire@dep.nj.gov for compliance assistance.
2. Retailers should not send scrap tires with a hauler who has not registered.

This interim step allows DEP to identify active haulers, understand current practices, and prepare the permanent licensing and tracking systems required under the law.

Future Requirements (Brief Overview)

Once DEP completes the next stages of implementation under P.L. 2025, c. 389, retailers will ultimately be required to:

1. Hire or contract with licensed scrap tire haulers only, and

2. Ensure all scrap tires are delivered only to licensed or permitted scrap tire facilities approved by DEP, including recycling, disposal, reuse, and storage sites.

DEP will post program requirements and updates, guidance documents, forms, FAQs and other information on the Scrap Tire Management Program website <https://dep.nj.gov/dshw/scrap-tire-management/>.

Questions can be directed via email to scraptire@dep.nj.gov or by phone (609) 633-1418.

