

Elected Officials

RE: Scrap Tire Collection Program

The District is sending this letter to inform you of a few changes to the 2019 tire collection events. In 2018, our cost for scrap tire disposal more than doubled to \$49,000+. This figure does not include the cost for employee overtime and the truck(s). We are committed to continue this popular service. While we are accomplishing our goals to remove the tires from the County, the District encountered a few issues during the events. Our current processor, in Akron, has requested these changes to lower the cost of the events. The District is asking for your help moving forward in 2019.

The District is implementing the following changes to our Scrap Tire Collection Program;

1. A strict limit of 10 tires per vehicle be accepted at the collection event. The Ohio EPA requires a "Tire Manifest" for anyone transporting more than 10 tires per load. Transporting more than 10 tires without appropriate documentation is a felony. This requirement is per the Ohio Revised Code 3734.83 (D).
2. Passenger tires with rims will be accepted.
3. Tractor tires, with rims, will be accepted.
4. Cut (sheared) tires will not be accepted.
5. Tires that are muddy or filled with dirt will not be accepted.
6. Semi tires cannot be accepted.
7. We cannot accept heavy equipment tires or treads from mini excavators. Please see the photos.
8. We cannot not accept chunks of rubber.
9. We cannot accept inner tubes.
10. Tires will not be accepted from commercial businesses.
11. Tires cannot be stacked over the sides of the container. Our drivers run the risk of being issued a citation from the Ohio Highway Patrol. Please see the photos.

The District may remove the containers at the end of the event to prevent the "after hours" dumpers from bringing in large quantities of tires.

If you have any questions, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

William G. Steiner, II
Director
Portage County Solid Waste Management District