



When disposing of waste tires, use a permitted waste tire hauler and keep copies of receipts from the hauler and the recycler.

“Solid wastes” are the discarded leftovers of our advanced consumer society. This growing mountain of garbage and trash represents not only an attitude of indifference toward our valuable resources, but also a serious economic and public health problem.

— Jimmy Carter



Resources

Utah Division of Waste Management and Radiation Control

Waste Tire Program:
801-536-0259

Solid Waste Section
(for general recycling questions):
801-536-0200

Salt Lake County Health Department Solid Waste Program

Waste Tire and Recycling questions:
385-468-3862

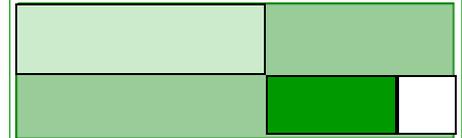


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Waste Tire Management



Defining Waste Tires

A waste tire is any tire that has been discarded or has ceased to serve the purpose for which it was initially intended due to factors such as wear or imperfections. In other words, a waste tire cannot be reused as a tire on a vehicle and should be properly disposed of at a permitted tire recycling facility.

Who can haul waste tires?

A company that hauls waste tires must:

- have a current business license
- be registered with the Utah Department of Environmental Quality
- Be permitted by the Salt Lake County Health Department as a Waste Tire Hauler.

You should always ask a hauler to verify these requirements.

What is a Waste Tire Hauler?

In Salt Lake County, a Waste Tire Hauler is any person or company who hauls more than 10 waste tires per month.

What is a Waste Tire Recycling Facility?

In Salt Lake County, a Recycling Facility is a business designed and operated to perform recycling methods on one or more solid wastes and return processed materials to market.

A Waste Tire Recycling Facility takes in waste tires then processes those tires into various products that are used as mulch, fuel, and even to make running tracks and sports fields.

Why should waste tires be recycled?

Recycling keeps waste tires out of landfills and other locations they are often dumped. In a landfill, tires can damage the landfill cap (topsoil) and are a fire danger. Recycling waste tires reduces damage and fire risk to a landfill and ensures tire rubber and tire wire can be reused.

How should waste tires be stored?

The best way to store waste tires is inside a secure building or trailer until a permitted waste tire hauler can pick them up from you. Waste tires may be stored outside for a short period of time, stacked in an orderly manner and in a way that helps keep water and animals out of them. Talk with your city or county Code Enforcement Office for more guidance.

Is illegal tire dumping a problem?

Yes! For waste tires, there are only a few permitted haulers and only one permitted recycler, so some find it easier to dump their waste tires for others to clean up.

If you see a tire dump or someone dumping tires, you should report it as soon as possible to the Salt Lake County Health Department reporting line at

385-468-8888

Photos or video of tire dumping are much appreciated!