

# Why become a Registered Collector?



As a registered Collector you will receive \$0.88 or \$3.05 per tire (depending on the size of the tire). This allowance applies to all used tires you receive from the public and are picked up by a registered Hauler. This can add guaranteed dollars to your bottom line each quarter. We are living in a time when environmental concerns are high. The impact of this program will be dramatic and make life better for the people of Ontario and the environment in which we live. You can contribute to this change by participating.



You can be a part of this team from the beginning and work with fellow members of the tire industry to initiate change and make Ontario a world leader in the innovative management of used tires.

## *Collectors registered with the Used Tires Program in Ontario will benefit from being part of the solution....*

### **Free tire pick-up**

With the Used Tires Program, registered Collectors will now receive free pickup from registered Haulers, a list of which is posted and updated on the Ontario Tire Stewardship (OTS) website at [www.ontarioTS.ca](http://www.ontarioTS.ca). Registered Collectors are obligated to accept used tire drop-offs for the types of used tires that they agree to collect.

### **Collectors Allowance**

Collectors who are registered will receive a handling allowance from OTS for collecting and storing used tires. Registered Collectors will receive payments quarterly.

### **Certainty and confidence in where your tires are going**

The Used Tires Program will implement a managed scrap tire solution for on-road and off-road tires supplied into the Ontario market, diverting these tires away from burning and land filling. The tires that you collect will eventually be processed into new products that add value to the life of Ontario's communities.

### **OTS is going to spread the word for you**

Point-of-sale materials explaining the program and its benefits are available. These materials will let your customers know that you are an active participant in the Used Tires Program, and that you are committed to the environmentally responsible management of used tires. Register now and your name and contact information will be published on the OTS web site, giving you increased exposure and letting people know that your business is doing its part to support recycling initiatives in Ontario.

### **Benefits to Ontario**

Ontario's Used Tires Program marks the most ambitious used tire program in the country. The program will deliver environmental benefits stemming from reduce, reuse and recycling activities, the clearing of tire stockpiles, as well as supporting Ontario-based processors to increase their recycling capacity and ensure economic growth for the province. Responsible management of Ontario's scrap tires will provide the province and its residents with:

- Responsible management of scrap tires
- No-cost hauling for registered Collectors
- Environmental benefits
- Green jobs / economic growth
- Innovation

### **Where to start?**

Register online at [www.ontarioTS.ca](http://www.ontarioTS.ca). Here you can read a full description of the Used Tires Program and understand how you fit in. You can also download the registration form and guidebook that will set the wheels in motion for your new commitment to your customers, your business and Ontario's environment.

### **Your commitment: A registered Collector agrees to...**

- No disposal fee for collecting used tires from consumers
- Using a registered Hauler for used tire pick-up
- Participating in the OTS tracking system
- Storing tires in accordance with the requirements of the Ontario Ministry of the Environment and the Ontario Office of the Fire Marshal

### **In Ontario, scrap tires are recycled into:**

- Tire-derived aggregates used instead of stone
- Crumb rubber that goes into everything from sports fields and hockey rinks to quieter, more durable roads
- Finished goods like floor mats, soaker hoses, mouse pads and automotive parts

### **Key participants of the Used Tires Program**

The Used Tires Program streamlines the process for managing used and scrap tires in Ontario by providing incentives and benefits to those involved in the process.

**Stewards:** Manufactures or imports tires into Ontario

**Consumers:** Users of tires or new tire purchasers

**Collectors:** Removes used tires from vehicles and/or accepts used tires. This includes: registered retailers, vehicle dealerships, garages and other collection agents

**Haulers:** Picks up and delivers used tires to a network of registered Processors

**Processors:** Accepts used tires that may have gone toward burning and land filling, and instead recycles them into a range of tire-derived products that can be used to manufacture products

For more information on these important Used Tires Program participants and to learn about their role in the management of used tires, visit the OTS website at [www.ontarioTS.ca](http://www.ontarioTS.ca)



## Frequently asked questions

### Why does Ontario need a Used Tires Program?

Ontario will now be equipped to manage on-road and off-road used tires while benefiting the entire province environmentally and economically. The Used Tires Program will remove tire stockpiles as well as promote the recycling of tires into household, commercial and automotive products, creating green jobs and economic benefits right here in Ontario.

### What is the difference between used and scrap tires?

Used tires are the tires removed from a vehicle that still have life as tires and can be sold for reuse. Scrap tires no longer have life as tires and are destined for recycling into tire-derived products.

### As a Registered Collector, do I have to accept all used tires from September 1, 2009 onward?

Registered Collectors of OTS are only obligated to accept used tire drop-offs for the types of used tires that they agree to collect (and that are part of the Program Plan). In addition, of those tires, registered collectors who are retailers are obligated to accept up to 4 used tires per person without the person having to make a purchase.

### How do I get pick-up for my used tires?

Registered Collectors will continue to be able to work with a registered Hauler of their choice. A list of registered Haulers is available on the OTS website at [www.ontarioTS.ca](http://www.ontarioTS.ca)

### How much will it cost to get my used tires picked-up?

Starting September 1st, 2009 Haulers will no longer charge a fee to pick-up used tires from registered Collectors. This applies to tires collected after August 31st, 2009.

### How do I file my Collection Allowance Claims?

Ontario Tire Stewardship has developed a robust used tire tracking and reporting system to support the direction of scrap tires to recycling. The ordering of these forms, and instructions on how to complete and submit them, can be found on the OTS website at [www.ontarioTS.ca](http://www.ontarioTS.ca), or by calling OTS at 1-888-OTS-2202. OTS will pay Collection Allowances on a quarterly basis within 35 days of receiving the Collector submission.

### Where can consumers now take their used tires?

The Used Tires Program includes a comprehensive network of registered collection locations making it easier for Ontarians to recycle their old tires. These registered collection locations will accept tires from car, industrial, farm and off-road vehicles.

### How can consumers find a collection location?

Consumers will be able to find information on used tire collection locations by visiting the OTS website at [www.ontarioTS.ca](http://www.ontarioTS.ca)

### How is the Program being funded?

The Used Tires Program is funded by tire manufacturers and first importers who must remit a Tire Stewardship Fee to OTS for every tire they supply into the Ontario market.

### Where do the used tires go?

Though Ontario-based scrap tire processors and manufacturers, tires will now find new life through in end-of-life products for home, commercial and industrial uses from playgrounds and hockey rinks to rubber automotive parts. With the Used Tires Program the need to transport used tires to other provinces or export to foreign countries will be significantly reduced and ultimately eliminated.



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