

Tire Carrier Responsibilities

*This document is a quick reference to the legal requirements for tire carriers operating in the State of Georgia.
Please keep or post in your place of business.*

STORAGE

Storage of scrap tires by tire carriers is prohibited.

FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

Permitted tire carriers shall maintain financial assurance for each business location during the life of the permit.

TRANSPORTATION

No person shall collect or transport any tires, other than new tires, unless the person:

- Obtains a tire carrier permit issued by EPD
- Displays on the driver's and passenger's door of each vehicle used to collect or transport tires a decal issued by EPD

NOTE: This does not apply to common carriers who collect tires exclusively from outside the state and transport them directly to a scrap tire processor or end user in Georgia.

Exempt from the permit and decal requirements are:

- A municipal solid waste service collecting tires incidental to its primary business of collecting trash
- Private individuals transporting no more than 10 of their own tires (or more than 10 with proof of purchase and receipt for tires)
- A company transporting its own tires to a scrap tire processor, end user, or for proper disposal
- A tire retailer transporting its own used tires with proof of purchase, receipt, and paperwork verifying the origin, route, and destination of the tires
- Persons transporting tires as part of an organized site cleanup
- Federal, state, and local governments

Each permitted carrier shall:

- Transport properly manifested scrap tires only to an EPD-approved scrap tire processor, sorter, disposal facility, or end user (contact EPD, or go to epd.georgia.gov/scrap-tires, for a current list of approved locations)
- Sign and date a manifest designating where the scrap tires were collected and where they will be delivered (the original manifest stays with the tire shipment)
- Return the completed original manifest (not a copy) to the scrap tire generator within 30 days from the date of scrap tire collection
- Report quarterly, on forms provided by EPD, the number of scrap tires transported and their manner of disposition
- Maintain copies of quarterly reports, transportation manifests, invoices, and weight tickets for three years

NOTE: Please check with your local code enforcement officer; local government requirements may be more stringent than State of Georgia requirements.

Disclaimer: This document is for guidance purposes only and is not intended to replace the actual rules and regulations governing scrap tire management in the State of Georgia. Any person carrying scrap tires must follow the State of Georgia Rules and Regulations for Scrap and Used Tire Management contained in the Solid Waste Management Act, as amended (O.C.G.A. 12-8-20), the Rules for Solid Waste Management (Chapter 391-3-4-.19(5)), and all other applicable federal, state, and local rules and regulations. For copies of State of Georgia rules and regulations governing scrap tire management, call 404-363-7027.