

**North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Waste Management – Solid Waste
Section**

Scrap Tire Disposal Act – Article 9. Part 2B. NCGS 130A-309.51 through 130A-309.64



The Scrap Tire Disposal Act is required to be administered through units of local government. Each county is responsible for providing for the disposal of scrap tires located within its boundaries.

Scrap tires generated in the normal course of business within North Carolina shall be accepted for free disposal at a county collection site when accompanied by a scrap tire certification form provided by a registered scrap tire hauler. Someone other than a tire collector, tire processor, or tire hauler may bring ≤ 5 tires w/o a hauler certificate and a scrap tire certification form.

A scrap tire disposal fee is required to be collected for scrap tires that originated out of state, were not generated in the normal course of business, have an unknown origin, or cleanup activities from private lands. A disposal fee cannot exceed the cost to dispose of the scrap tire.

A scrap tire disposal tax is imposed at a percentage rate of the sales price of each new tire sold with a bead diameter of less than 20 inches = 2% tax rate and a bead diameter of 20 inches or more = 1% tax rate. A portion of the tax proceeds collected is distributed quarterly to counties on a per capita basis (70%) and to the North Carolina General Fund (30%).

Each fiscal year the North Carolina Scrap Tire Disposal Account Fund is allotted \$420,000 for grants to counties and for cleanup activities on public lands. A county may apply for a grant, twice annually, if it incurs Program overage costs.

In recent years, grants awarded to counties from the Scrap Tire Disposal Account Fund no longer cover the amount requested. For FY21-22, a total of \$2,918,381 was requested and \$430,930 was allocated.

County personnel are encouraged to petition their legislators to amend the Scrap Tire Disposal Act to include additional funding for the Scrap Tire Disposal Account Fund.

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