



TIRE STEWARDSHIP OF SASKATCHEWAN

SCRAP TIRE RECYCLING PROGRAM TRANSITION - FAQs

What is the Tire Stewardship of Saskatchewan Inc. (TSS)?

The Tire Stewardship of Saskatchewan Inc. is a new non-profit corporation that has been established by industry to operate the tire recycling program in Saskatchewan. The TSS will be administering core tire recycling programming and services starting September 1, 2017.

What happened to the Saskatchewan Scrap Tire Corporation (SSTC)?

On June 1, 2017, the SSTC provided notice of its intent to wind down operations by August 31, 2017. As such, the TSS is working closely with the SSTC as we get ready to launch operations to ensure that the transition is as smooth as possible for retailers and program stakeholders.

How is this change going to affect my business in the weeks and months ahead?

Until August 31, 2017, the SSTC is operating as per status quo. Nothing will change with the service provided to you (i.e. scrap tire collection) by the SSTC or with your obligations to the SSTC program (i.e. collecting and remitting fees). As the new program operator taking over the current program effective September 1, the TSS is working hard to get everything in place to ensure minimal business disruption for retailers during this transition period.

Will I need a new Retailer Agreement with the TSS?

Our intent is to get the appropriate documentation in place with retailers in the next few weeks.

Do I need to continue charging the current approved tire recycling fees?

Yes. As a tire retailer, you are still obligated to collect and remit tire recycling fees in accordance with the current program management plan and the Scrap Tire Management Regulations.

Who do I remit or forward tire recycling fees to?

Fees charged to August 31, 2017:

All fees charged and collected to the end of August should continue to be forwarded to the SSTC. They will process these fees and apply credits to retailers for collection by the end of September.

Fees charged from September 1, 2017 and forward:

After September 1, all tire recycling fees charged and collected by retailers should be forwarded to the TSS as the new program operator. The new mailing address is provided below:



Tire Stewardship of Saskatchewan Inc.

Mailing Address:

3419 Pasqua St.
Regina, SK
S4S 7K9

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Are tire recycling fees going to change?

Not at this time. Tire recycling fees will remain the same until at least December 31, 2017. Any future changes to the consumer paid tire recycling fee will be considered as part of the new Product Stewardship Program (PSP) which is under development and will not come into effect until January 1, 2018. More information follows regarding the PSP.

Will tires at my retail location continue to be collected?

Yes. Until August 31, 2017, the SSTC will continue to collect scrap tires from retailers using the current collectors and current system. Starting September 1, the TSS will ensure retailers have continued collection services as well, by continuing to use the current collectors and current system. The goal is to ensure minimal business disruption for retailers during the transition period.

Will the Return to Retailer program be continued?

Yes. This program will continue to operate status quo – the SSTC will continue to operate this program up to August 31 and the TSS will continue to operate this program starting September 1.

How will legacy tires be dealt with?

The TSS recognizes the importance of dealing with legacy tires as part of its stewardship of tire recycling in the province. The TSS is considering a program as part of the new PSP under development, which may have similarities to the previous Black Gold Rush program which the SSTC had put on hold.

What are the new regulations for the program that resulted from the program review?

The Ministry of Environment announced changes to the province's scrap tire recycling program in April 2017 and released new scrap tire recycling regulations in June 2017 to reflect changing industry needs in Saskatchewan and to address increasing public expectations for governance, accountability and transparency. The new regulations will ensure Saskatchewan continues to have an effective scrap tire collection program that promotes a sustainable recycling industry within the province. The Scrap Tire Management Regulations(2017) can be found on the Ministry's website through the blue link provided below.

What is a Product Stewardship Program (PSP)?

Similar to what was previously termed as a Product Management Program (PMP), the regulations obligate retailers to have in place a Product Stewardship Program (PSP) for scrap tire recycling in Saskatchewan. This approach stems from the scrap tire management program being managed as an Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) model, which identifies end-of-life product management as the responsibility of producers and consumers. The industry is required to apply to the Minister of Environment to operate a program by submitting a PSP and any other information required for approval. The TSS is currently developing a new PSP to submit to the Minister this fall for approval to operate a full program effective January 1, 2018. Additional information on the required contents of a PSP can be found here:

<https://www.saskatchewan.ca/business/environmental-protection-and-sustainability/hazardous-materials-and-safe-waste-management/scrap-tire-recycling-program>

Who do I contact if I have further questions?

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