

NORTH CAROLINA

STATE REGULATIONS ON SCRAP TIRES

SB 111 (1989), levies a 1% sales tax on new tire sales and requires each county to provide a location for scrap tire collection. Tax became effective January 1990. Other provisions require that:

- counties provide a site for tire collection by March 1, 1990;
- scrap tire haulers are registered with the Solid Waste Branch to qualify for a merchant identification number;
- storage sites having more than 1,000 scrap tires must obtain a storage permit (exceptions for certain industries such as tire; retailers);
- counties be allowed to impose tipping fees for tires if sales tax fails to generate adequate funding;
- tire dealers, scrap tire processors and solid waste disposal facilities be encouraged to set up scrap tire collection centers;
- processed scrap tires can still be landfilled.

HB 83 (1993) increased the disposal tax on tires, effective October 1, 1993. HB 83 also prohibits tire tipping fees effective January 1, 1994 if the scrap tires are certified as being generated in the state.

GS 130A-309.63 (1994), established a Scrap Tire Disposal Account, which is funded by the receipts from the scrap tire tax. These funds are to be designated for pile abatement projects and grants and loans to municipalities for pile abatement.

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The state Department of Transportation has used over 2,000,000 scrap tires in a variety of civil engineering applications. Five tire recycling companies operating in state.

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The *Scrap Tire Management Council* is supported by the North American tire industry to promote the environmentally sound and efficient disposal of scrap tires.