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### Waste Tire Collection

The Manitowoc County Recycling Center will be holding the annual tire collection September 11 through September 23. This program allows Manitowoc County residents and businesses to properly dispose of their tires at a reduced rate. This program started in 1998 and has collected approximately 3.35 million pounds of waste tires. Help make 2017 a record breaking year by bringing in your unwanted tires.

Waste tires can be reused in a number of beneficial ways. They can be shred into rubber chips and used as artificial turf or as a groundcover in playgrounds. Tire rubber can be incorporated into asphalt roads, running tracks and used in other rubber products. Depending on what other materials are in the tire they may also be used as a fuel source.

The DNR estimates that Wisconsin produces 5 million waste tires per year. Tires have been banned from landfills since 1995 because they take up too much space and their bulky size makes them hard to keep buried. Unfortunately, tires have often been illegally dumped along roadways or in illegal stockpiles. Aside from looking like a mess this can cause environmental problems. Burning tires can release large amounts of pollutants into the air, water and soil.

Before those wear bars even begin to show, help reduce the amount of tires being disposed of improperly. Taking proper care of your tires can prolong the life of the tire. Following the scheduled rotation and maintaining proper air pressure can help get more use out of each tire. Fixing alignment problems early can also save tire wear.

For more information call the Recycling Center at 920-683-4333 or visit [www.manitowocrecycles.org](http://www.manitowocrecycles.org).

### Manitowoc County Recycling Center Waste Tire Collection 2017

3000 Basswood Road, Manitowoc WI

Monday – Friday 7am to 4pm, Saturday 8am to Noon

#### Fees & Guidelines

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- \$5.50—per standard truck tire (5 tires or less)
- 14 cents per pound (\$280 per ton) for:
  - Quantities of 6 or more tires
  - Semi tires
  - Tractor tires
  - Tires on rims
- Pay in the Recycling Center Main Office **before** dropping off tires.
- Bring your waste tires to the Manitowoc County Recycling Center during normal business hours.
- Collection employees reserve the right to judge, based on tire size and quantity, whether a customer is charged on a per tire basis or by tire weight.
- Residents and businesses with large quantities of tires should call the Recycling Center.

#### Tires Accepted

Car  
Truck  
Semi  
Tractor  
Motorcycle  
ATV  
Bicycle



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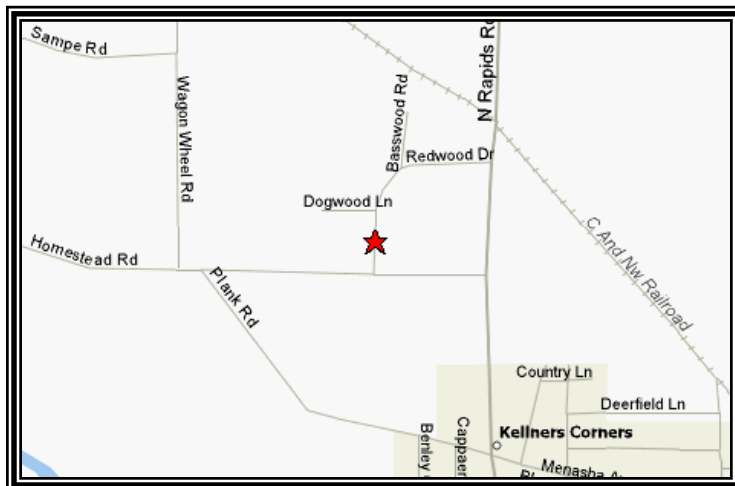
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**YOUR PARTICIPATION IS CRITICAL!** Tires have been banned from landfills for many years. Because of the high disposal costs, tires are thrown in our woodlands, waterways, along roadways, or in illegal stockpiles. Improper disposal can lead to significant environmental problems such as surface and groundwater contamination, fires which release toxic fumes, and the creation of habitats for pests such as rodents and mosquitoes. Proper disposal will reduce or eliminate these problems! Waste tires collected in September may be shredded and used in playgrounds, for horse arena footing or as tire derived fuel.