



# How to Handle Used and Waste Tires

*There are laws that govern the collection, storage and disposal of used and waste tires in Florida. Some of these regulations, Chapters 62-711 and 62-701, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), apply to individuals who handle waste tires – tires that have been removed from motor vehicles. The following is a summary of regulations and recommended Best Management Practices.*

- » It is recommended that piles of used and waste tires are neatly stacked and kept mosquito-free at all times. You should drain or tip over tires to eliminate standing water regardless of the number of tires.
- » Common methods for controlling the mosquito population are maintaining dry tires by perforating, covering or spraying with an insecticide/larvicide per their prescribed standards.
- » Individuals are allowed to transport up to 25 waste tires without a registration. If you transport more than 25 tires at a time on Florida roadways you must be registered with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) as a waste tire collector (*Rule 62-701.200(128), F.A.C.*).
- » If more than 25 tires a month are collected and hauled from your location, you must keep records of who collects your waste tires, the registration number of the collector, how many tires are collected, when they are collected and where they are taken (*Rule 62-711.400(5), F.A.C.*).
- » If you allow tires to be removed from your location by someone other than a registered collector, you remain responsible for those tires. If they are illegally dumped, you can be fined or required to clean up the disposal site and properly dispose of the tires.
- » All waste tires shall be processed or disposed of at a waste tire processing facility or a solid waste management facility permitted by DEP for the processing/disposal of waste tires (*Rule 62-711.400(2), F.A.C.*).
- » Please contact your local DEP district office if you have any questions or need more information.

### Northwest District Office –

Pensacola – (850) 595-8300

### Northeast District Office –

Jacksonville – (904) 256-1700

### Southeast District Office –

West Palm Beach – (561) 681-6600

### Southwest District Office –

Temple Terrace – (813) 470-5700

### South District Office –

Ft. Myers – (239) 344-5600

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**Florida's waste tire laws are found in Chapter 403.717, Florida Statutes, and in Chapters 62-711 and 62-701, F.A.C.**