Alberta recycling MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

TIRE ENVIRONMENTAL FEE REMITTANCE OVERVIEW

1. **Supplier category**
   Registered Suppliers will fall into either of the following categories:
   a. **Remitters** – companies that report and remit the fee directly to the Tire Recycling Program based on the sale or supply of eligible tires.
   b. **Payment-on-Purchase** (**POP**) - companies that pay the fees to their suppliers when purchasing inventory and are therefore not required to report and remit to the Tire Recycling Program directly.

2. **Invoices**
   a. **Supplier Invoice** - the fee is to be included on invoices for sales of eligible tires between a supplier and a reseller.
   b. **Retail Invoice** - visible fees increase public awareness, transparency, and accountability, but are not mandatory.

3. **Sales between two suppliers that are registered with the Tire Recycling Program**
   When one supplier, registered with the Tire Recycling Program, sells to another registered supplier (who provides a valid registration number), the environmental fee is either charged or exempted based on the type of registration they hold:

   a. **Remitter Supplier**: registration number is prefixed with an "R".
      This Supplier is exempt from being charged the environmental fee as they will charge the fee to their customer and remit it directly to the Program.
   b. **Payment on Purchase (POP) Supplier**: registration number is prefixed by a "P"
      The Supplier that sells to a POP must charge the environmental fee and then remit the fee to the Tire Recycling Program on the POP's behalf.

   Note: Suppliers registration/reporting status with ARMA can be verified through the ARMA Connect portal. For detailed instructions on this please refer to the Remittance Instructions and Guide to ARMA Connect for Tire Suppliers document under Tire Suppliers.

4. **Program Eligible Tires**
   a. Environmental fees apply to the sale of all new tires ('eligible tires') with a minimum rim size of 8 inches up to and including 39 inches. This includes tires that are:
      - sold individually;
      - on a new or used equipment/vehicle;
      - tires on any new or used vehicles/equipment purchased outside of Canada.

   For further information on product eligibility, please refer to the Products, Definitions & Fees document under Tire Suppliers, or contact our office via email at tires@albertarecycling.ca.

5. **Medium Truck Tires (MTTs)**
   This category includes, but is not limited to, tires designed for use on:

- highway tractor trucks, commercial trucks, buses;
- larger RVs & trailers**.**

Tires in this category are generally considered Commercial Duty Tires and fall under the Canadian Motor Vehicle Standard CMVSS No. 120 (TSD 120) and section 3 of the Tire and Rim Association Yearbook for tires with minimum rim size of 15" with sidewall codes including TBM-4R, HC-2, TTB-3R, WBTB-3R. The most common examples of these tires have rim sizes 17.5", 19.5" or 22.5" and are generally considered to be designated highway use.

6. Off-the-Road Tires ('OTR')

Tires used on non-agricultural industrial vehicles or industrial non-agricultural equipment not licensed for highway use, including but not limited to excavation, hauling, loading, logging and materials handling, construction, mining, earthmoving, graders, forestry skidders.

7. Environmental Fee Eligibility: Tire-Type Versus Use

Environmental fee eligibility is based on the type of tire, not how the tire will be used. For example:

a. PLT tire will capture the PLT environmental fee when mounted on Agricultural Equipment that would normally utilize one of the agricultural exempt tires (e.g., sidewall code F1)
b. OTR tire will capture the OTR environmental fee when mounted on equipment that would normally utilize SIO type of tire (e.g., forklift)

8. Lease and Rental

a. Leased Vehicle/Equipment - Where a lessor of eligible vehicles/equipment enters into a lease, the fee is payable by the lessee to the lessor (supplier) who in turn remits it to the Program.
b. Rental Vehicle/Equipment – Where a vehicle/equipment is rented out the supplier will not charge the environmental fee to the renter of the vehicle/equipment but will submit the environmental fee to the Program at the time of first rental agreement. The fee will be re-couped by the supplier at the time of the final sale of the vehicle/equipment.

9. Ineligible Tires

Environmental fees do not apply on the supply of the following:

a. all tires with tire diameters of less than 8 inches (20 cm);
b. solid rubber tires;
c. aviation tires;
d. Segway tires;
e. motorized mobility aid tires;
f. bicycle tires;
g. used, recapped or re-treaded tires which were not imported from outside of Canada into the Province of Alberta;
h. farm tires designated specifically for agricultural implements or agricultural equipment which is not licensed for highway use;
i. OTR tires with rim sizes greater than 39 inches (99 cm)

10. New tires leaving Alberta

a. Environmental fees apply to new tires installed on vehicles purchased in Alberta, even if the vehicle is driven directly out of Alberta by the customer upon purchase, regardless of the end destination. If the vehicle is being driven directly out of province by the dealership to the customer, and the dealership retains proof of delivery out of province, the fees would not apply.

b. Tires shipped directly out of Alberta, without touching Alberta highways, are not subject to the environmental fees. This includes tire shipments via carrier or courier as well as shipments of vehicles with new tires on them.

Please note that when an out-of-province resident buys a program eligible tire in Alberta, the environmental fees apply.

11. Tires replaced under warranty

Environmental fees are to be charged on replacement tires, regardless of wear or age of the original tire and even if the replacement tire is supplied free of charge to the customer (noting that both the replacement tire and the original tire will enter the waste stream for recycling).

12. Sales of Tires to Tax Exempt Individuals, Groups or Companies

There are NO environmental fee exemptions based on *the type of customer* purchasing an eligible tire.