

One unkempt property can effect the appearance and morale of the entire neighborhood. Unkempt property can also attract the unwanted attention from vandals, thieves and illegal dumpers.

Residents can help improve their neighborhoods appearance and cleanliness by working with their neighbors to properly dispose of not just waste tires but all waste. Implementing a neighborhood clean up day will not only keep neighborhoods clean but can also strengthen the bond of a community.

By helping others, residents will be helping themselves. Neighbors may not have a way to take things to the landfill for disposal. This may be the cause of tire and debris piles in your area. By offering help, residents will become a part of the community and discover relationships they never knew could exist.

By taking action, residents will not only be setting an example with neighbors but will also plant the seed with the younger generations. By teaching and showing them the risks and benefits today, we are securing many tomorrows.

In this aspect, everyone wins.

It takes one person to create a change.

It takes one person to plant a seed.

It takes one person to teach a village.

If one person acts, others will follow.



IN 2008, THE CLEAN UP AND DISPOSAL OF TIRES AT THIS SITE WAS MADE POSSIBLE WITH THE JACKSON COUNTY SOLID WASTE TIRE DISPOSAL PROGRAM

Waste Tire Program Information

We encourage all residents to utilize the Waste Tire Program for the disposal of waste tires. Because the program is funded by a grant through Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, individuals wishing to utilize the program must qualify under the grant guidelines and waste tire regulations. The service is free to qualified individuals and allows assistance with the clean up of illegal dumping of tires.

Tires must be removed from the rims. The rims can be recycled at the Seaman Road Landfill.

We accept tires from residents and qualified small waste tire generators, no tire dealers or large tire generators.

Residents must bring tires to the landfill in a vehicle with a Jackson County tag. Contractor, business or commercial vehicles are not allowed to utilize the County Landfill.

Jackson County residents wishing to utilize the Waste Tire Program may be required to provide appropriate documentation and/or information in order to qualify under the Waste Tire Grant Funded Program.

Because we understand every individual's situation is unique, we ask anyone regardless of the number of tires to contact the Solid Waste Office, so that we may assist or direct them appropriately.

It is the Jackson County Solid Waste Department's Mission to assist anyone wanting to dispose/recycle the accumulation of waste tires on a regular or a one time basis. Or to at least provide an option to those individuals that do not qualify under our program.

More information on this program and other programs Jackson County offers to residents can be obtained from the Solid Waste Office.

Jackson County Solid Waste Office/Landfill Office hours are 7:30-4:30 and is located at 10501 Seaman Road, Vancleave, MS 39565.

Landfill hours are 7:00-4:45 and is located at 10401 Seaman Road, Vancleave, Mississippi 39565

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Why we should properly dispose of old tires

Effects and Benefits of Waste Tire Disposal

This brochure's purpose is to provide information to Jackson County residents on the effects of illegal dumping of tires and the benefits of proper disposal.

Jackson County has a Waste Tire Program that allows qualified residents and other qualified entities free disposal of waste tires. Jackson County's mission is to make the public aware of the effect and benefits to the proper handling of waste tires. We encourage all residents not to store tires but to dispose of any tires they may have through the Jackson County Waste Tire Program. The proper disposal of waste tires will minimize the illegal dumping of tires that can harm humans, wildlife and the environment.

Last year alone, the Jackson County Waste Tire Program received over 7,000 waste tires from county residents for disposal. This is only a fraction of the waste tires in the county. There are many more waste tires being illegally dumped in back yards, empty lots, in the forest, along waterways and along the roads and highways.



TIRE FIRES RELEASE THICK BLACK SMOKE AND POLLUTANTS THAT ARE HARMFUL TO HUMANS, WILDLIFE AND OUR ENVIRONMENT

Jackson County is encouraging residents to be proactive for the public, the communities and the environment's health. After all, we all share the same planet and there is only one Earth.

Disease and Danger

Tire piles attract a variety of vermin that can be harmful to humans. All types of vermin find tire piles ideal for breeding and nesting. Disease carrying pests such as rodents can inhabit tire piles. Snakes will hide and nest inside of tires, out of sight and deadly.

Mosquitoes breed in the warm, stagnant water that collects inside of the tires. The insects can breed faster than normal in these conditions. Besides being an annoyance, several varieties of mosquitoes can carry deadly diseases, including Encephalitis, Dengue Fever, Yellow Fever and West Nile.

Tire Fires

Tire fires are a major risk from tire piles. Tire fires are difficult to extinguish and can burn for long periods. These fires can be extremely dangerous for the men and women who try to control and extinguish them.

Tire fires are generally started as a result of arson or accident. Tire fires cause air pollution and oily runoff that contaminates soil, surface water and groundwater. The oily material is highly flammable. Tire fires cause thick black smoke throughout the surrounding area that is harmful to humans, wildlife and the environment. Tire fires threaten nearby water supplies with harmful contaminants like lead and arsenic contained in the oily runoff.



TIRES DUMPED IN WATERWAYS POSE A THREAT TO HUMANS AND WILDLIFE

Uses for Old Tires

Waste tires can be recycled into many things. New uses for waste tires are being discovered daily.

Here are a few things recycled tires can turn into:

- A cushioning material for playgrounds
- Shoe soles
- Sidewalks, walking tracks, floor mats
- Belts, gaskets, washers, shims, seals
- Dock bumpers
- Muffler hangers
- Highway crash barriers
- Brake pads, break shoes
- Rubberized asphalt

Old tires can also be retreaded. The old tread is removed and new tread is added. This saves millions of gallons of oil each year. It takes only 7 gallons of oil to retread a tire versus 22 gallons to make a new tire.

Tires are also used as an alternative fuel source for some industries. Tires produce the same amount of energy as oil and 25% more energy than coal.

These industries include:

- Cement industry
- Pulp and paper mills
- Electric utilities
- Industrial/institutional boilers
- Dedicated tire-to-energy facilities

The industries that use tires for energy are required to follow strict guidelines to ensure the safety of the public and the environment.

Everyone Wins

Properly disposing of waste tires is one of the best things any resident can do for the communities and the county.

The overall appearance of a neighborhood effect everyone in the neighborhood and the surrounding communities.