

**Why is it so hard  
to get used tyres  
collected?**

**If you're feeling  
the pressure in  
these uncertain  
times, you're  
not alone.**




**TyreStewardship**  
AUSTRALIA

# Several factors are disrupting tyre collections and pushing up costs for everyone:

 **Global shipping crisis**

 **Labour shortages**

 **Export ban on whole  
and baled tyres**

 **Local markets unable  
to consume used tyres  
fast enough**

# There is no quick fix.

**We're going to feel under pressure for some time while we adjust to changes in the market.**

TSA is working with everyone in the tyre supply chain to help make those adjustments, such as:

- Supporting industry to increase local consumption of, and markets for, tyre-derived product
- Funding new and innovative ways to use end-of-life tyres
- Contributing to efforts by waste enforcement officers to reduce rogue operators
- Discussing policy and regulation solutions with governments
- Increasing public knowledge about the benefits of used tyre recovery and using accredited operators

# Here's what you can do now, and how we can help:

- Encourage your customers to take up a Tyre Care Plan to extend the life of their tyres
- Talk to your local TSA Accredited Tyre Collector about the challenges and working together on short-term fixes eg. collecting some, if not all, tyres
- Tell us what you need – use our Tyre Retailers Toolbox to get answers to your questions

# Australia's tyre supply chain is experiencing the brunt of economic factors.

## Tyre Retailers

- Tyre collection disruption and delays due to high demand for collection services across the industry.
- Rising cost of tyre collection.
- Storage issues with tyres stockpiling on-site.
- Concerns about complying with local tyre storage requirements.



**Be wary of cheap collectors as this may result in illegal stockpiling or dumping of tyres - a cost that will be borne by local councils, landowners and communities, and not to mention the impact on our environment.**

## Tyre Recyclers and Collectors

- Challenges due to export ban on whole and baled tyres (in effect from 1 December 2021) and global shipping crisis.
- Local markets unable to consume the volume of tyre-derived product we produce.
- Increased fuel costs and labour shortages means increased cost of collecting used tyres and processing them for sustainable outcomes.



**Federal Government is working through the export license applications which need to be reviewed and processed.**

## Exporters

- Shortage of containers used to send tyre-derived product overseas.
- A fragmented supply chain, from last-minute container cancellations to increased port fees and freight labour shortages, create a difficult and unplanned freight system.



**On the chance that containers can be secured, the cost has increased by approximately 500%.**

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