

BIKE TIRES AND TUBES RECYCLING

INSTRUCTIONS FOR NEW BRUNSWICK BIKE SHOPS

Program Background

Interested bike shops in New Brunswick can take part in Recycle NB's voluntary bike tire and tube recycling program. As Recycle NB is covering the cost of the program, there is no ecocharge to the consumer or disposal fee for your shop. Tire Recycling Atlantic Canada Corporation (TRACC) will add the used bicycle tires and tubes to its rubber recycling stream.

Recycle NB developed the program with the help of industry (auto and bicycle), non-profit groups and the cycling community. To make it successful, we need the public, bike tire retailers and the stakeholders already involved in automotive tire recycling to take part.

Instructions:

1. **Develop** a partnership with your local automotive tire retailer. If you need help to find a partner, or a list of registered tire retailers in your area, call or e-mail the Recycle NB office.

Toll Free: 1-888-322-8473, 506-454-8473 E-mail: info@recyclenb.com

2. **Register** your shop as a program participant with Recycle NB. Send an email to info@recyclnb.com. Include the following information.

Shop Name, Address, City, Phone, E-mail Address, Web Site Address

Recycle NB will post a list of participating bike shops so that the public is aware of recycling locations. Your shop may choose to

advertise your new role in tire and tube recycling to your customers.

- 3. **Collect** unwanted/used tires. As this is a voluntary program, no fee should be charged to individuals dropping off used tires or tubes. Keep the used tires and tubes on site until you collect at least the minimum number of tires and tubes (minimum 25 for tires and 25 for tubes).
- 4. **Bundle** the tires and tubes. (See Below) NOTE: tires and tubes must be bundled SEPARATELY. This is very important, as the recycling process for tires is different from the process for tubes.
- 5. Transport bundles of tires and tubes to any participating tire retailer.
- 6. Drop off bundles. The retailer will expect that all bundles are packaged correctly as described below. At its discretion, the retailer may reject tires and tubes that are bundled incorrectly.

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BUNDLING INSTRUCTIONS

TIRES

- Group/stack the required # of tires (25 tires per bundle).
- Any type of bike tire is acceptable.
- Do not cut tires.
- Bind (tie) the group of tires together using a bicycle tube.
 <u>The valve stem may be left on</u> <u>or cut off.</u>
- Bind the group of tires together by using the tube like a piece of string (i.e. Tie them together with a simple knot).
- See illustration below.



<u>TUBES</u>

- Group/stack the required # of tubes (25 tubes per bundle).
- Any type of bike tube is acceptable.
- Do not cut the tubes. Valve stems may be left on.
- Bind (tie) the group of tubes together using a bicycle tube.
 <u>The valve stem may be left on</u> or cut off.
- Note, as part of the recycling process of tubes, the valve stems will eventually be cut off and recycled as well.
- See illustration below.



Additional information

Visit Recycle NB's website at <u>www.recyclenb.com</u> or call our office.

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Contacts – Questions

The Canadian Independent Bicycle Retailers Association (CIBRA) is a partner in the bike tire and tube recycling program. To contact the Association send an e-mail to <u>bill@cibra.bike</u>

Public Awareness

Help make the program a success by letting your customers know you offer bicycle tire and tube recycling.

Recycle NB will announce the bike tire and tube recycling program during Environment Week (June 5-11, 2016). In addition, we will provide you with signage to advertise the program to your customers.