



Have you ever wondered what happens to your old tyres

With the environment always being an issue, we thought it would be interesting to know what actually happens to the scrap tyres we send away. We are charged a £1 casing disposal fee for every tyre we send to our remould company. We don't make any profit on casing disposals as we feel its all part of saving the planet.

So, once the old tyres are picked up from us they go back to a remould company in Shropshire. From there the tyres are sorted into sizes, and whether they can be remoulded or not. The tyres that are scrap are shredded in a huge chopping machine which has a very powerful magnet which pulls out all the metal. The rubber from this process is sold to equestrian companies who use the rubber in their floors. This rubber is also sold to farmers who use the rubber for mattresses for their cows! And you may be asking about the dust, well that is also sold!!!!!! Which, I can only presume, from articles I have read, that this dust goes into making roads.

The tyres which can be remoulded are buffed down, which means the tread is taken off with what appears to look like a cheese grater. The tyres then have a new tread and side walls moulded back on, ready to be sold back to the public. Now, the tread that is grated off is sold to playground manufacturers who use the rubber in the nice colourful soft floors we see at our local playgrounds.

All in all "pretty amazing". Not one bit of waste!

Yet again please be aware that this is only our opinion. Please write in with your questions to T.W. Tyres, 11 Paynes Lane, Rugby, CV21 2UH, or email us at info@twtyres.com. We are open Monday to Friday 8am till 5.30pm and Saturday is 8am till 3pm. For tyres, exhausts, batteries and motorbike enquiries please call us on 542292. For servicing, repairs and car MOTs you can contact us on 544339.