

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**  
**Legislation Committee**  
Answers to questions on notice  
**Environment portfolio**

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**Senator Whish-Wilson asked:**

How will the government monitor the establishment, effectiveness and sufficiency of the new voluntary Tyre Stewardship scheme? By what criteria will the scheme be determined a success?

Is the government considering establishing a compulsory Tyre Stewardship Scheme?

Has the government begun the process for a RIS for end-of-life tyres?

**Answer:**

- a) Each industry that applies for accreditation under the Australian Government's (the Government) voluntary product stewardship arrangements will need to identify, as part of the application process, appropriate performance measures relating to product stewardship criteria set out in the *Product Stewardship Act 2011*. Should Tyre Stewardship Australia apply and be accredited, the arrangement administrator would be required to report annually against the arrangement's performance measures and the Department would monitor the arrangement's conformance with the conditions of its accreditation.

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission granted authorisation for the proposed national tyre product stewardship scheme until 3 May 2018. The authorisation is subject to annual reporting and monitoring conditions.

- b) No. The Government is not considering establishing a compulsory tyre product stewardship scheme. The Government has supported the tyre industry to develop a voluntary industry-led tyre product stewardship scheme.
- c) No. The Government is not developing a Regulatory Impact Statement for end-of-life tyres.