

Minnesota Certified Automotive Recycler Program

2018 Annual Report



Automotive Recyclers
of Minnesota

MN-CAR Overview

Automotive Recyclers of Minnesota (ARM) is the statewide trade association of licensed auto recyclers. The association's members are auto recycling companies in Minnesota that have taken a leadership role in safe and environmentally-sound vehicle recycling. ARM members support responsible recycling, worker safety, and environmental protection. ARM promotes the proper handling and disposal of all automotive-related hazardous materials, including gasoline, oil, refrigerant, antifreeze, brake fluid, transmission fluid, batteries, mercury switches, and tires.

In 2008, ARM established the Minnesota Certified Automotive Recycler Program (MN-CAR). The MN-CAR program was developed and adopted to help participating ARM members improve regulatory compliance and meet the nation's highest performance standards. This proactive, industry-led approach assists members in complying with the complicated set of environmental, safety, and business regulations that face Minnesota auto recyclers.

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* Facility was audited by MN-CAR Program Manager in 2018.
The remaining facilities conducted Self-Audits.

Highlights

MN-CAR Membership

MN-CAR membership included 12 members in 2018.

Stormwater Compliance

The MN-CAR program delivered quality information, education, and training, and onsite technical assistance to help members comply with their permit. MPCA issued the current permit in 2015.

- Benchmark monitoring locations and procedures were reviewed at all audited facilities
- Best Management Practices were inspected and reviewed
- Sampling data were reviewed for each audited facility

Safety Compliance Program

In 2013, ARM launched a new Safety Program that helps members provide safe working conditions for employees, and comply with MnOSHA safety regulations. A Safety Compliance Manual was provided to MN-CAR members. During MN-CAR audits, safety practices are reviewed with the members.

MN-CAR Services

MN-CAR members are audited every other year, and conduct self audits in alternate years. The MN-CAR Program Manager assists the members in meeting the standards. MN-CAR certified members who belong to the Automotive Recyclers Association (ARA) can be automatically certified under ARA's National CAR program, and eligible to participate in the ARA Gold Seal program.

Education & Information

- Upper Midwest Convention
- ARM Newsletter Articles
- MN-CAR Annual Report
- Onsite visits

Safety Compliance Program

- Safety Compliance Manual
- Safety standards
- Safety training

Stormwater Permit

- Updated SWPPPs and Site Maps
- Reviewed sampling data
- Inspected Best Management Practices

MN-CAR Checklist

General Business Standards

- Suitable customer parking
- Professional sales counter & reception area
- Professional signage
- Well managed buildings & property
- Safe & professional vehicles & equipment
- Safe & organized salvage vehicle storage

Safety Standards

- Facility Safety Program
- Personal protective equipment (PPE)
- OSHA-approved eyewash
- Fire extinguishers
- First aid kit
- Haz Com
- Spill kits
- Cutting torch safety

Environmental Standards

- Proper vehicle processing
- Fluid storage / secondary containment
- Battery handling & storage
- Refrigerant removal
- Storage - motors & transmissions: to be sold
- Storage - motors & transmissions: core/scrap
- Parts washer management
- Scrap tire storage
- Mercury switch removal & recycling

Licensing & Regulatory Standards

- Salvage license
- Environ: storm water, refrigerant, haz waste
- OSHA Haz Com, IIPP
- DOT airbag transportation training
- Forklift operation training

