

Tyre Selection

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Organisation - Goodyear Dunlop Tyres



Application

Correct selection of pattern and tread compound are important...if your running the incorrect tyre this is what can happen.



Application..Effect

295/80R 22.5 Highway Steer Tyre





118,000kms Highway

 Most polymers have unfortunately conflicting performance properties like high abrasion resistance and high temperature generation. A blend of different polymers is therefore frequently necessary to obtain specific compound properties for either specific components or tyre applications. 	POLYMER TYPE	NATURAL RUBBER	(SYNTHETIC) STYRENE BUTADIENE	
	Heat Generation	+ +		
	Tear Resistance	+ +		Good +
	Skid/Traction	+	+ +	Poor mar
	Treadwear		+	
	Heat & Ozone		+	
	Resistance			

Tyre Choice

What parameters do you need to consider when choosing a tyre?
Route: Urban, Regional Haul, Line Haul or a haul road in a mine site.
Terrain: Hilly Area, Winding Roads, Hills & Curves
Road Surface: Asphalt, Concrete, Course Chip, Gravel, etc
Climate: North Queensland in mid summer or Snowy Mountains in mid winter
Position: Steer, Drive, Trailer, etc
Pattern: Rib type, Block type or a Rib & Block combination
All these things need to be considered to achieve the best CPK



Optimizing Tyre Performance

How can we optimise tyre performance?

Modern Instrumentation

With the use of telemetry systems we can measure vehicle parameters in service

Longitudinal forces

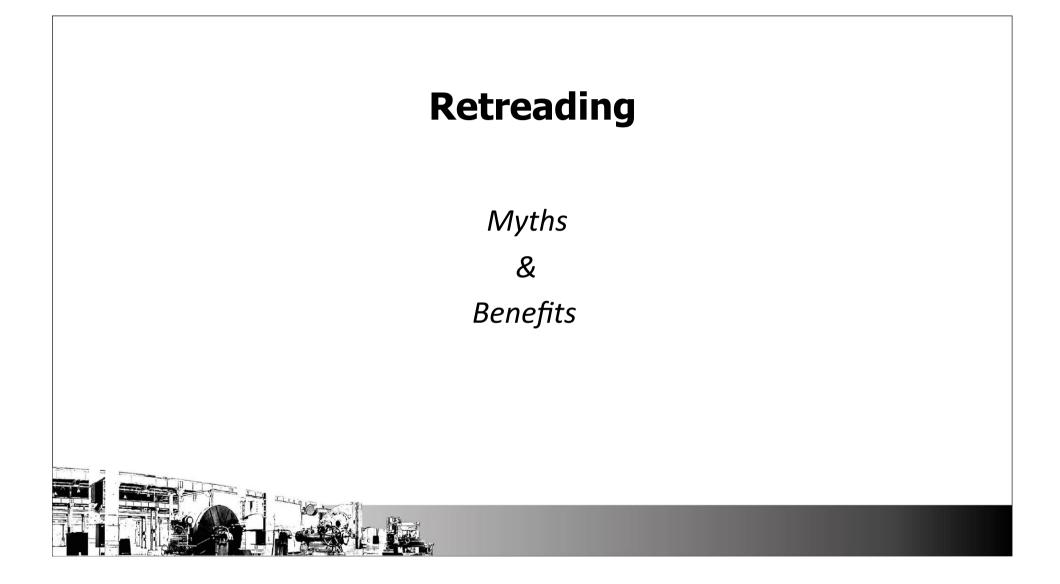
Lateral forces

Altitude

Road Surface – rough roads & smooth roads

Wear rates / evenness





Retreading Roadside tyre pieces Are roadside tyre pieces retreading failures? Not usually The ATA (USA) investigated failed roadside tyres Nearly 4,000 tyres were inspected Over ³/₄ of truck tyre fragments were a result of either: Under-inflation or Underinflation Road hazards **Repairs / Mechanical** Less than 10% were retread failures Retreading **Road Hazards**

Retreading

Sidewall

Wedge

Carcass

Chafer

Apexes 1-3

Chipper

Flipper

Shoulder wedge

Tyre Construction

Tread

Belts 1-4

Innerliner

Beads

A truck tyre weighs ~ 55kgs, 8kg of which is steel

- New tyre raw materials consume 85 litres of oil
- A retread consumes only 23 litres

After the tread is worn out

- the tyre casing is **usually still serviceable**
- and has been designed to be retreaded

Retreading is very efficient recycling

- Maximises use of these resources

Retreading

New Tyre Technology

New tyre technology complements retreading

- Many new tyre technologies carry over to the retread

Low rolling resistance (RR)

- Casing design significantly affects RR
 - Tread pattern / compound = over 50%
 - Remainder is tyre casing design
- Optimising a tyre casing to improve RR
 - Often improves casing life and retread ability
 - RR improvements continue to provide gains when retreaded



Retreading

Fleet Considerations

A few points to consider

- What tyres are you using now?
- Can you improve your cpk?
- Where can retreads be put to best use in your fleet?
- Do you track casings from cradle grave?
- Do your casings receive necessary maintenance?
 - Regular pressure and tread depth checks
 - Driver care

THANK YOU