



### TIRE TIPS

#### Can you read tires?

(NC) - Every tire bears an inscription written on the side indicating its specifications. Would you understand it? Take the Michelin Sport EP-X performance tire, for example. It reads P215/60 SR 14 EP-X. This inscription gives you various information:

- P: category of the tire, in this case "Passenger"
- 215: section width of tire in millimeters
- 60: tire series (height/width)
- S: speed rating (S = up to 180 km/h)
- R: construction (radial)
- 14: wheel diameter in inches
- EP-X: product name

Now that you know more about tires, you may feel ready to replace your car's old tires with new ones chosen by YOU. But wait! The automobile market is constantly changing, and it is important that you select tires that are well adapted to the performance level of your car. How are you going to decide which tire is right for your car? There is such a wide selection available.

First, make sure that the manufacturer is well-known. In today's world of performance tires, it is better to select a manufacturer with a strong image; one which is on the leading edge of technology and whose products have proven themselves in competition. This type of experience guarantees you quality and reliability. You will find that guarantee with Michelin, whose reputation is well-established. Furthermore, Michelin performance tires come as original equipment on numerous models, proof that car manufacturers trust Michelins.

Once you have equipped your car with high quality tires, with the help of a competent dealer, you must take proper care of them. For maximum security and performance, check them regularly.

#### PRESSURE

Incorrect tire pressure can result in many problems: rapid and/or irregular tread wear, improper vehicle handling and reduced comfort due to overinflation or underinflation.

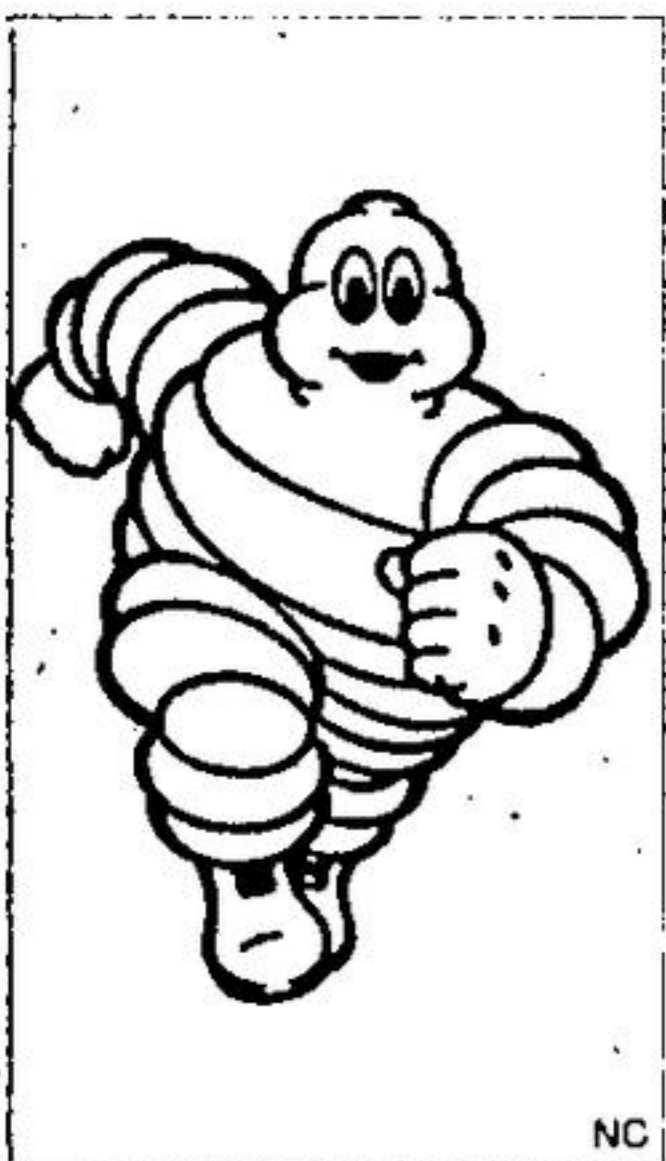
Tire pressure should be checked once a month and before a long-distance trip; always when tires are cold—before they have been driven on. Recommended pressure is usually indicated on the inside door panel or in the owner's manual.

#### Tire Rotation

The advised frequency of tire rotation depends on the type of tire. For example, Michelin tires should be rotated only if irregular wear becomes apparent. Check your vehicle for any mechanical problems that could be responsible for this tread wear.

However, tires on front-wheel-drive vehicles—which wear out faster in the front—and all-season tires should be rotated every 12,000 km. Front-to-rear or criss-cross rotation is recommended.

Today's tires are built for durability and maximum performance, and it is all too easy to forget about them once they have been mounted. For a safe ride, take good care of your tires.



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#### Institute to open



### World News

(NC)—Next fall, the first group of students will be admitted to the All-Union Vasnetsov Institute of Fine Arts, Sculpture and Architecture. The aims and objectives of the Institute are commented upon by artist Pyotr Litvinsky, Associate Professor and instructor at the Institute.

"There was a time when the All-Russia Academy of Sciences was an academy of three forms of art: fine arts, sculpture and architecture. In the past decades, architecture seceded and has transformed from a form of art into an industry. An architect ignorant of the basic rules of fine arts and sculpture is no longer an architect, but a builder. Equally, you can't be an artist without the knowledge of the principles of sculpture and architecture. The most important task of this institution is to revive the former relationship between the three and to consolidate the foundation upon which an artist grows."

"The Institute will have four departments — fine arts, sculpture, architecture and drawing, and art critics. All the four departments will be catered to by the faculty of general pedagogics, the first in Soviet artistic educational establishments."

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