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## Tires, Wheels, & Wheel Bearings



**Objective:** After studying this chapter, you will be able to explain tire, wheel bearing, and hub construction and operation.

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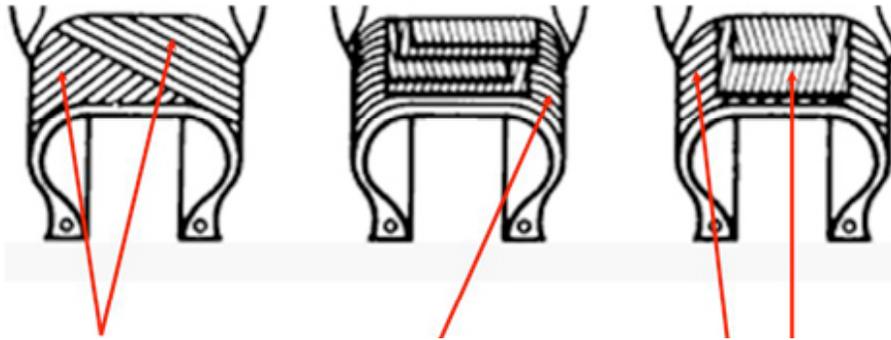
### Tires

- List the three (3) primary forces a tire must exert on the road surface:  
A. \_\_\_\_\_ B. \_\_\_\_\_ C. \_\_\_\_\_
- When a tool operated with air, or tire is filled with air, they are called \_\_\_\_\_.
- Describe the six (6) basic parts of a **tire**:  
Beads. \_\_\_\_\_  
Belts. \_\_\_\_\_  
Body Plies. \_\_\_\_\_  
Liner. \_\_\_\_\_  
Sidewall. \_\_\_\_\_  
Tread. \_\_\_\_\_
- Describe **Radial Tire Footprint** and why it is important: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Match the best term to the correct description:

- This tire design has belts and plies running at different angles:  
\_\_\_\_\_ Belted bias tire  
Bias ply tire  
Radial ply tire
- Ply run angular from bead to bead, angle is reversed from ply to ply: \_\_\_\_\_
- Ply run straight across from bead to bead, stabilizer belts lie directly beneath the tread: \_\_\_\_\_
- The two (2) common tire sizing designations found on a tire sidewall are:  
\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
- P-Metric tire sizing is the most common designation used on today's tires. What do the sizing notations **P155/80R16** mean?  
P: \_\_\_\_\_  
155: \_\_\_\_\_  
80: \_\_\_\_\_  
R: \_\_\_\_\_  
16: \_\_\_\_\_

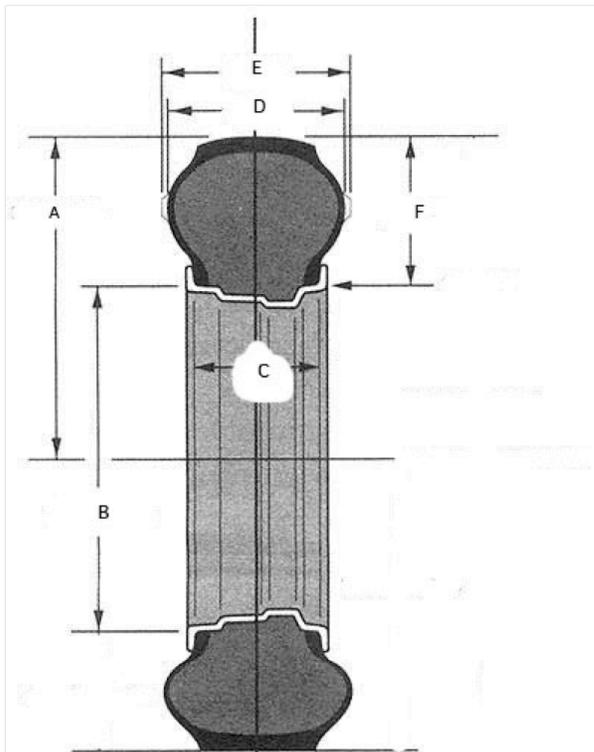
10. Identify the tire construction types shown:



A. \_\_\_\_\_ B. \_\_\_\_\_ C. \_\_\_\_\_

11. The number 55 in the tire size P205/55R17 is known as the \_\_\_\_\_ ratio and is a ratio of the tire's \_\_\_\_\_ to its \_\_\_\_\_.

12. Identify the designated measurement points:



A. \_\_\_\_\_  
 B. \_\_\_\_\_  
 C. \_\_\_\_\_  
 D. \_\_\_\_\_  
 E. \_\_\_\_\_  
 F. \_\_\_\_\_

13. The amount of weight a tire can carry at its recommended inflation pressure is called the \_\_\_\_\_ rating.

14. Most automobile tires have a maximum inflation pressure of \_\_\_\_\_ psi.

15. A higher ply rating or a greater number of plies a tire has allows a tire to carry \_\_\_\_\_ weight.
16. Why is the **DOT** rating on a tire important? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
17. A high **Tread Wear** rating number means the tire has a \_\_\_\_\_ high/low resistance to wear.
18. Which tire rating would indicate the *lowest* or *least* traction? \_\_\_\_\_
19. What is a tire's **Speed Rating**? \_\_\_\_\_
20. What is the purpose of a tire's **Wear Bars**? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
21. What is the most typical **spare tire** used on today's automobiles? \_\_\_\_\_
22. The spare tire on most modern automobiles is meant for \_\_\_\_\_ use.
23. How do **Self-Sealing** tires work? \_\_\_\_\_
24. What type or class of vehicles would use **Re-Tread** tires? \_\_\_\_\_
25. A class of tire with **extremely stiff sidewalls** are called \_\_\_\_\_ tires.
26. Explain the **Tire Monitoring System**: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## Wheels

27. Automotive wheels can be made from at least three (3) different materials: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
28. Describe a **Drop-Center Wheel**: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
29. A **Safety Rim** has two \_\_\_\_\_ the help to hold the tire beads in place.
30. What is the difference between a **Blow-out** and a **Flat**? \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Valve Stems & Cores

31. A rubber valve stem can be pressed through a hole in a wheel and a metal stem is secured with a nut threaded on from the outside. What is the purpose of the valve stem? \_\_\_\_\_
32. The spring-loaded valve inside the stem is called the valve \_\_\_\_\_ .
33. What does the spring-loaded valve do when the tire inflator is removed from the stem? \_\_\_\_\_
34. Why are **valve stem caps** important? \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Lug Nuts, Studs, & Bolts

35. Why is the inner face of a lug nut tapered? \_\_\_\_\_  
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36. Lug studs are special fasteners made to accept \_\_\_\_\_ .
37. Why are wheel weights important? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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## Hub & Wheel Bearing Assemblies

38. List the three basic parts of a wheel bearing:\_\_\_\_\_

39. Describe the following parts of a nondriving hub assembly:

Spindle:\_\_\_\_\_

Wheel Bearings:\_\_\_\_\_

Hub:\_\_\_\_\_

Grease Seal:\_\_\_\_\_

Safety Washer:\_\_\_\_\_

Spindle Adjusting Nut:\_\_\_\_\_

Nut Lock:\_\_\_\_\_

Cotter Pin:\_\_\_\_\_

Dust Cap:\_\_\_\_\_

40. Describe the following basic parts of a drive hub & bearing assembly:

Outer Drive Axle:\_\_\_\_\_

Ball or Roller Bearings:\_\_\_\_\_

Steering Knuckle:\_\_\_\_\_

Drive Hub:\_\_\_\_\_

Axle Washer:\_\_\_\_\_

Hub or Axle Locknut:\_\_\_\_\_

Grease Seal:\_\_\_\_\_