



2016 UNION MADE TIRES

HOW SAFE ARE YOUR TIRES THIS WINTER?

Consumer Reports says that tires can “lose their footing long before they are worn out.” If your tires need replacing, you can ensure that you are purchasing union-made-in-the-USA tire by following looking for the DOT BE code.

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) has made it very easy to find union-made tires by requiring that each tire carry a code that shows the company and the location of the plant that manufactured the tire. DOT requires that each tire sold in the United States carry a code that looks something like this: DOT BE XX XXX XXX. The two letters or numbers that follow the DOT identify a particular factory as listed below.

- BE: B.F. Goodrich, Tuscaloosa, Ala.
- BF: B.F. Goodrich, Woodburn, Ind.
- VE, YE, YU, 8B: Bridgestone/Firestone, Des Moines, Iowa
- D2, E3, W1, Y7: Bridgestone/Firestone, La Vergne, Tenn.
- 2C, 4D, 5D: Bridgestone/Firestone, Morrison, Tenn.
- UP: Cooper, Findlay, Ohio
- UT: Cooper, Texarkana, Ark.
- JU, PC, UK: Goodyear, Medicine Hat, Alberta
- JJ, MD, PU: Goodyear, Gadsden, Ala.
- DA: Dunlop, Buffalo, N.Y.
- JN, MJ, PY: Goodyear, Topeka, Kan.
- JE, MC, PT: Goodyear, Danville, Va.
- JF, MM, PJ: Kelly-Springfield, Fayetteville, N.C.
- CF: Titan Tire, Des Moines
- JH, MN, PK: Titan Tire, Freeport, Ill.
- B plus serial #: Titan Tire, Bryan, Ohio
- CC: Yokohama Tire, Salem, Va.

All tires made at the above locations are made by members of the United Steelworkers (USW). Make sure you use this easy-to-follow guide to buy union-made tires.