

Every driver has had a moment that makes their heart race.

A car **pulls out**.

You brake suddenly.

You swerve to avoid a hazard.

In the heat of the moment, it's easy to react.

But what happens afterwards?

Many drivers shout, sound the horn or carry on their journey.

Very few stop to check the **one thing keeping them connected to the road...**



...THEIR TYRES

Don't wait for a breakdown, a blowout or a collision to remind you.



ACT before you
REACT

Air Pressure, Condition, Tread

Check your tyres at least once a month and before a long journey.

ACT before you REact

Turn a scare into a **safety check!**



Air Pressure

Correct tyre pressures reduce the risk of experiencing a rapid deflation, and also ensure optimal braking and handling. Correctly inflated tyres also last longer and use less fuel.

You can find the recommended pressure in your door shut, fuel filler cap or owner's manual and you can top up with air at most service stations.



Condition

Check your tyres for any bulges, lumps or cuts and remove any stones or objects from the tread. If something doesn't look right, have it inspected immediately by a tyre professional. Make sure that you carry out these checks once a month, and before long journeys.

Tread

Your tyres' tread is critical for acceleration, braking, steering and cornering. More tread means better grip, especially in wet weather. The legal minimum limit for car tyre tread depth in the UK is 1.6mm across the central three quarters of the tread around its entire circumference.

To check your tread, place a 20p coin into the main tread grooves of your tyre. If the outer band of the coin is obscured, then your tread depth is above the legal limit. If the outer band of the coin is visible, then your tyres may be illegal and unsafe.



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