Retreading and Light-Duty Tires

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What is Retreading?

▶ Retreading is the process of removing old, worn tread and replacing it with new tread.

Who Uses Retreads?

Retreads are used by all major package delivery services, including UPS, the U.S. Postal Service, and FedEx.





How Widespread is the Usage?

Retreads are used by truckers with scheduled delivery times, small package delivery companies with guaranteed delivery times, on commercial and military jets, and by school bus operators.





Cost of Retreads

- ▶ Retreads can yield of savings of up to 50% of the cost of a comparable new tire.
- ▶ Top quality retreaders have an adjustment rate equal to, if not slightly lower than new tire manufacturers.





Quality of Retreads

- ▶ Retreads are not only cost effective, but they are dependable, reliable, and safe.
- ▶ A well maintained retreaded tire will perform the same as a new tire.





Safety & Retreads

- ▶ Before a tire is retreaded it undergoes a rigorous inspection by certified technicians to ensure that it can be safely reused. Any unfit tire will be rejected before the process begins.
- The tire is examined by hand and through the use of X-ray and ultrasound-like machines (shearography).





More on Safety & Retreads

- Only safe, legally accepted repairs can be made as needed.
- After the new tread has been applied and cured, the tire then goes through a final inspection to ensure that no potential damage has gone unnoticed. The newly retreaded tire is then ready for use.





Environmental Benefits

- Millions of worn tires can be saved yearly through safe, dependable retreading.
- Manufacturing a new truck tire requires an average of 22 gallons of oil while a retreaded tire only uses 7 gallons.
- Tires may look round and black,

but they're really very green.





Availability of Retreads

- ▶ Retreads are widely available throughout the entire United States as well as many countries around the world.
- ▶ For more information on where you can purchase retreads, please visit the Retread Tire Buyers Guide on our website or contact us.





Learn More, Do More

- Want to learn more about retreading or see how the process is actually done?
- ▶ Want to know how to prolong the life of your tires while saving money and the environment?
- Contact us for a complete information packet and retread plant tour DVD.





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