

Tyres covered for harvest damage

Continental is supporting all of its agricultural tyres, including its harvester tyres, with a 10-year warranty. The warranty will cover farmers in the unlikely event of a materials or manufacturing failure and it also offers some reassurance against stubble damage and field hazards.

Common complaints with all agricultural tyres include unforeseen damage caused by field use and imperfections in the composition of the tyre. Tom Godwin, Continental UK Sales Manager says:

"Modern farming techniques demand that tyres are hard wearing, and farmers can't afford to lose time through tyres failing. Our agricultural tyres have been tested to much higher tolerances than ever before and we are confident to support this by offering our customers a 10-year warranty."

The warranty covers all Continental TractorMaster and CombineMaster tyres including very high flexion (VF) tyres and hybrid tyres manufactured since 1st August, 2017, in Continental's purposebuilt manufacturing facility near Lousado, Portugal.

"Continental has invested €2.5 million in an agriculture-focussed research and evaluation centre to develop tyres that help meet these concerns. We hope that this warranty shows farmers that we believe in that research and that we are willing to help buyers if a tyre does not perform the way they need it to," says Mr Godwin.

The CombineMaster harvester tyre has a unique Hexa bead construction that is safer on the road and helps reduce soil compaction in the field. Like the TractorMaster tyre, it also features Continental's patented N.Flex Technology, a nylon layer that sits beneath the rubber to help the tyre return to its original shape following impacts and heavy use.

"Tractor and combine tyres reach high temperatures during road use at harvest time. When parked overnight the tyres cool to the shape of the parked position, creating so called flat spots. When the machine is used again the operator will experience ride disturbance because the tyres are not a perfect circle. N.Flex reduces the occurrence of flat spots, provides a more comfortable ride and will help protect the tyre against damage," concludes Mr Godwin.

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Caption: All Continental agricultural tyres, including harvester tyres, are covered by a 10-year warranty to offer peace of mind at harvest.



Caption: The new CombineMaster tyre has a unique Hexa bead construction that is safer on the road and reduces soil compaction in the field.

Continental develops pioneering technologies and services for sustainable and connected mobility of people and their goods. Founded in 1871, the technology company offers safe, efficient, intelligent and affordable solutions for vehicles, machines, traffic and transportation. In 2022, Continental generated sales of €39.4 billion and currently employs around 200,000 people in 57 countries and markets.

The Tires group sector has 24 production and development locations worldwide. Continental is one of the leading tyre manufacturers with 57,000 employees and posted sales of €14 billion in 2022 in this group sector. Continental ranks among the technology leaders in tyre production and offers a broad product range for passenger cars, commercial and special-purpose vehicles as well as two-wheelers. Through continuous investment in research and development, Continental makes a major contribution to safe, cost effective and ecologically efficient mobility. The portfolio of the tyre business includes services for the tyre trade and fleet applications, as well as digital management systems for tyres.

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