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ASP- Additional Sidewall Protection

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Definition ASP

- "ASP" (Additional Sidewall Protection) is an additional protective rubber layer applied to the sidewall of the casing for improving resistance against sidewall abrasion."
- Purpose of ASP:

..."enhancing safety and durability of tyres in urban use"...."to provide additional abrasion protection of the sidewall in aggressive urban usage"



How does it work?

• Casing sidewall is inspected and buffed

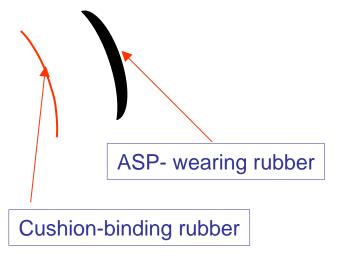
PRECURE:

- Cushion is applied
- Pre-cured ASP is applied

- Un-vulcanized wear rubber applied

MOLDCURE:







Application cushion







Application of ASP











ASP ready for vulcanization





The "issue"

 For tyres with overall max section width limited to +2% the application of ASP might exceed max overall section width of ECE 109 :

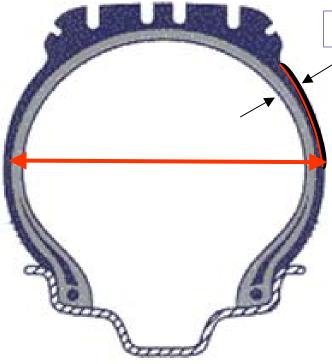
315/80R22.5 315/70R22.5 13R22.5

• The BIPAVER proposal only deal with tyres exceeding max ECE-R109 Overall section width.



Final Product

• Total section width is Max 8 mm wider than max section width of a new original tire permitted by Reg. 54.

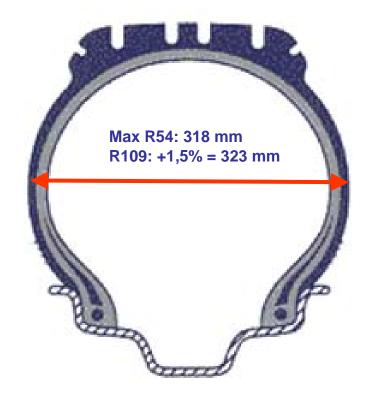


Additional thickness max 8mm

BIPAVER proposal: Max Overall width up to max 8mm



Example: 315/80R22.5 Amended ECE 109: Max R54 + 1,5 % = 323 mm





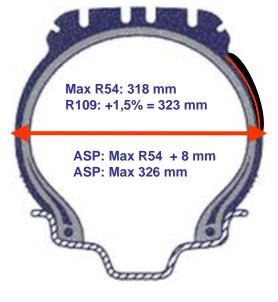
Example: 315/80R22.5

Amended ECE 109: Max R54 + 1,5 % = 323 mm One side ASP only permissible

Facing inwards:

The word ASP

No additional reduction of dual spacing vs. amended ECE 109



Facing outwards: The word ASP Marking OUTSIDE