

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

February 24, 2022

Mr. Harald Morgenstern Manager NHTSA Compliance Continental Tire the Americas, LLC 1830 MacMillan Park Drive Fort Mill, SC 29707

Subject: Cracks in Tread Grooves/FMVSS 119

Dear Mr. Morgenstern:

This letter serves to acknowledge Continental Tire the Americas, LLC's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/100/80-16 M/C 50P CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/100/90-14 M/C 57P CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/110/70-12 M/C 47P CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/110/70-13 M/C 48S CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/110/70-16 M/C 52S CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/110/80-14 M/C 59P CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/110/90-13 M/C 56P CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/120/70-12 M/C 51P CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/120/70-12 M/C 58P CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/120/70-13 M/C 53P CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/120/70-14 M/C 55P CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/120/70-15 M/C 56S CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/120/70-16 M/C 57P CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/120/80-14 M/C 58S CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/120/80-16 M/C 60P CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/130/70-12 M/C 62P CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/130/70-13 M/C 63P CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/130/70-16 M/C 61S CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/140/60-13 M/C 63P CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/140/70-14 M/C 68S CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/140/70-15 M/C 69P CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/150/70-13 M/C 64S CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/80/90-14 M/C 40P CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/90/80-16 M/C 51P CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/90/90-14 M/C 46P CONTINENTAL/CONTISCOOT/90/90-14 M/C 52P

Mfr's Report Date: February 17, 2022

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22T-003



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Components:

TIRES:TREAD/BELT

Potential Number of Units Affected: 4,256

Problem Description:

Continental Tire the Americas, LLC (Continental Tire) is recalling certain ContiScoot tires. Cracks may develop in the tread grooves longer than 3/16 inch. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 119, "New Pneumatic Tires-Other Than Passenger Cars." Please refer to the 573 report for specific tire size information.

Consequence:

Cracks in the tread can lead to tread separation, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Continental Tire will notify owners and replace the affected tires, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed March 28, 2022. Owners may contact Continental Tire customer service at 1-888-799-2168.

Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.nhtsa.gov.

Please ensure the following requirements are met:

An identification and description of the risk to motor vehicle safety reasonably related to the defect or noncompliance (49 CFR 573.6 (c)(5)). All filings should state an increased risk of either a crash, injury or fire.

AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of eight consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.



Continental Tire the Americas, LLC's contact for this recall will be Choon Lee who may be reached by email at choon.lee@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Alex Ansley

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

Enforcement

