

Care instructions for Michelin Power Cup 2 tires to prevent possible cracks

AFFECTED MODELS:

2026 990 RC R

2026 990 DUKE R

BASIC INFORMATION:

To fully exploit the potential of a Supersport motorcycle, appropriate performance tires are required. In our opinion, the Michelin Power Cup 2 best meets this requirement. The disadvantage of these tires is, that there is a low-temperature threshold at which rubber loses elasticity and becomes brittle, called the glass transition point. Rubber breakdown in the cold can manifest as a tiny crack or many larger cracks around the tire.

To avoid damage, the **Michelin Power Cup 2 must not be handled below 41°F (5°C)** in transport and storage.

We would like to ask you, as our contractual partner, to inform your customers about this sensitive topic.

As the manufacturer, we provide a warranty until the vehicle arrives at the dealership (source tires locally and create a warranty claim with GA07).

Any tire damage occurring after this point is the responsibility of the dealer or the customer.

Official table from the manufacturer:

 MICHELIN POWER PERFORMANCE	MICHELIN POWER SLICK ²	MICHELIN POWER CUP ²	MICHELIN POWER CUP ^{EV0}	MICHELIN POWER ^{GP}	MICHELIN POWER ^S	MICHELIN POWER SUPERMOTO RAIN	MICHELIN POWER RAIN
MANUTENTION, TRANSPORT, STORAGE							
Never handle the tire at a temperature below 10°C in order to prevent damage to the tire.	Never handle the tire at a temperature below 5°C in order to prevent damage to the tire.			Never handle the tire at a temperature below -10°C in order to prevent damage to the tire.			
MOUNTING AND DISMOUNTING							
Before fitting and unfitting, the tire should have been stored for at least 24h at a temperature greater than 15°C.	Before fitting and unfitting, the tire should have been stored for at least 24h at a temperature greater than 10°C.						

For detailed information, please follow the link below.

<https://www.michelinman.com/motorcycle/tips-and-advice/tire-basics/motorcycle-tire-damage>

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