

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

22T-022

Manufacturer Name : Continental Tire the Americas, LLC

Submission Date : DEC 05, 2022

NHTSA Recall No. : 22T-022

Manufacturer Recall No. : NR



Manufacturer Information :

Manufacturer Name : Continental Tire the Americas, LLC

Address : 1830 Macmillan Park Drive
Fort Mill SC 29707

Company phone : 704-583-4882

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 2,937

Estimated percentage with defect : 1 %

Tire Information :

Tire Brand 1 : see attachment No.1

Tire Line : see attachment No.1

Tire Size : see attachment No.1

Descriptive Information : Continental Tire (CT) performed a detailed analysis of all curing data for tires produced in CT's Lousado, Portugal plant since October, 2021 to identify potentially affected tires. CT determined that a total of 21 tires may have been defective. Five of these 21 tires were shipped to the USA and sold in the replacement market.

Production Dates : MAR 13, 2022 - MAY 08, 2022

TIN (Tire Identification Number)

Plant ID	Size code	Optional Code	Begin M Code	End M Code
NA	NA	NR	9999	9999

Description of Defect :

Description of the Defect : Affected tires have a potential overcure condition.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : Affected tires may experience a carcass break in the sidewall with sudden air loss or could develop a belt edge separation which could lead to a partial or full tread/belt loss. These conditions could increase the risk of serious injury or death.

Description of the Cause : The affected tires were potentially overcured and shipped to the USA for sale in the replacement market.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : Tires may experience a sudden air loss without warning while others may exhibit visible localized tread wear which may manifest as excessive vibration and/or bulging in the tread area.

Involved Components :

Component Name : NR

Component Description : NR

Component Part Number : NR

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name : NR

Address : NR

NR

Country : NR

Chronology :

September 6, 2022: A customer in Spain reported one tire - manufactured in the Lousado, Portugal plant - failed with rapid air loss during mounting. September - November, 2022: The complained tire arrived at Continental Tire for analysis. The analysis revealed that the failed tire had an overcure condition. The Lousado plant immediately started an investigation, which focused on analyzing all available curing data. During this investigation, it was determined that other tires with potentially non conforming curing cycles were produced between Oct.1,2021 through Sep.28,2022. CT then began efforts to determine how many tires were shipped to customers. CT determined that 21 tires were no longer under its control and that five of these 21 tires were shipped to the USA and sold in the replacement tire market. Nov. 28, 2022: CT's Product Integrity Committee reviewed the investigation results and made a decision to recall these tires in all affected markets. To date, CT is not aware of any claims of property damage, personal injury, or death involving these affected tires.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Continental Tire the Americas, LLC (CTA) will conduct a safety recall campaign to replace all affected tires that have been sold in the replacement market or are in dealer inventories. CTA was able to identify five specific tires that are potentially affected. CTA will limit the replacement of affected tires by DOT and mold number. All known customers, distributors, dealers and independent outlets will receive notification of the campaign, instructions on how to identify the affected tires, corresponding DOT numbers and mold numbers, information regarding removal of the affected tires from service, and instructions on the return/disposal of affected tires. CTA will offer to reimburse the replacement cost for any customer who, prior to this campaign, replaced these tires due to the condition described above.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : The remedy tires will be offered under the same product article numbers from DOT production weeks and mold numbers not affected by the condition.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : Improved plant procedures related to curing time and traceability were implemented as of DOT week 4022

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : CTA will notify distributors, as well as all independent outlets that are authorized to replace the affected tires that are the subject of this recall, of their responsibilities in accordance with Section 573.6(c)(9). Distributors and outlets will be instructed to return affected tires to CTA for disposal.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : JAN 12, 2023 - JAN 23, 2023

Planned Owner Notification Date : JAN 12, 2023 - JAN 23, 2023

Purchaser Information :

The following manufacturers purchased this defective/noncompliant equipment for possible use or installation in new motor vehicles or new items of motor vehicle equipment:

Name : NR

Address : NR

NR

Country : NR

Company Phone : NR

* NR - Not Reported