

139. Specifically, the subject tires were incorrectly marked in the following ways:

- 8–17.5LT STA Super Traxion
Sidewall marked as Tread: 6 Ply Nylon, Sidewall: 4 Ply Nylon
Correct marking should be Tread: 4 Ply Nylon, Sidewall: 4 Ply Nylon
- 8–17.5 STA Super Transport
Sidewall marked as Tread: 6 Ply Nylon, Sidewall: 4 Ply Nylon
Correct marking should be Tread: 4 Ply Nylon, Sidewall: 4 Ply Nylon
- 8–14.5LT G/14STA Super Transport
Sidewall marked as Tread: 6 Ply Nylon, Sidewall: 6 Ply Nylon
Correct marking should be Tread: 8 Ply Nylon, Sidewall: 6 Ply Nylon
- 8–14.5LT F 12 STA Super Transport
Sidewall marked as Tread: 6 Ply Nylon, Sidewall: 6 Ply Nylon
Correct marking should be Tread: 8 Ply Nylon, Sidewall: 6 Ply Nylon
- 7.50–18 STA Super Traxion
Sidewall marked as Tread: 4 Ply Nylon, Sidewall: 4 Ply Nylon
Correct marking should be Tread: 6 Ply Nylon, Sidewall: 4 Ply Nylon
- 7.50–17 STA Super Transport
Sidewall marked as Tread: 4 Ply Nylon, Sidewall: 4 Ply Nylon
Correct marking should be Tread: 6 Ply Nylon, Sidewall: 6 Ply Nylon
- 10.00–20 STA Super Transport
Sidewall marked as Tread: 10 Ply Nylon, Sidewall: 10 Ply Nylon
Correct marking should be Tread: 8 Ply Nylon, Sidewall: 6 Ply Nylon
- 37x12.50R20LT Interco SSR
Sidewall marked as Tread: 3 Poly + 2 Steel + 1 Nylon, Sidewall: 3 Poly + 2 Steel + 2 Nylon, Sidewall: 2 Poly
- 37x12.50R17LT Interco SSR
Sidewall marked as Tread: 3 Poly + 2 Steel + 1 Nylon, Sidewall: 3 Poly + 2 Steel + 2 Nylon, Sidewall: 2 Poly
- 35x12.50–16LT Interco Thornbird
Sidewall marked as Tread: 4 Ply Nylon, Sidewall: 4 Ply Nylon
Correct marking should be Tread: 4 Poly + 2 Nylon, Sidewall: 4 Ply Poly
- 33x13.50R17LT Interco Irok
Sidewall marked as Tread: 3 Poly + 2 Steel + 1 Nylon, Sidewall: 3 Poly + 2 Steel + 1 Nylon, Sidewall: 2 Poly

IV. Rule Requirements

Paragraph S6.5(f) of FMVSS No. 119 and paragraphs S5.5(e) and (f) of FMVSS No. 139 include the requirements relevant to these petitions. Paragraph S6.5(f) of FMVSS 119

requires that each tire shall be marked on each sidewall with the actual number of plies and the composition of the ply cord material in the sidewall and, if different, in the tread area. Paragraphs 5.5(e) and (f) of FMVSS No. 139 require that each tire must be marked on one sidewall with the generic name of each cord material used in the plies (both sidewall and tread area) of the tire, the actual number of plies in the sidewall, and the actual number of plies in the tread area, if different.

V. Summary of STA's Petitions

The following views and arguments presented in this section, “V. Summary of STA's Petitions,” are the views and arguments provided by STA. They have not been evaluated by the Agency and do not reflect the views of the Agency.

STA described the subject noncompliances and stated that the noncompliances are inconsequential as they relate to motor vehicle safety. In support of its petitions, STA offers the following reasoning:

1. The subject tires were manufactured as designed and meet or exceed all other marking and performance requirements of FMVSS No. 119 or 139, as applicable.
2. The noncompliance is not a safety concern, having no effect on operation of the tire and no impact on the retreading, repairing, or recycling industries.
3. All the tires in inventory and the mold information are being corrected and all future production and sales by STA of these tires will have the correct information on both sidewalls.
4. STA stated that they are not aware of any warranty claims, adjustments, field reports, customer complaints, legal claims, or any incidents, accidents, or injuries related to the subject condition.
5. STA says that NHTSA has granted a number of similar petitions relating to incorrectly identifying the actual number of plies in the tread area. STA went on to cite the following petitions in which the Agency has previously granted:

a. Continental Tire the Americas, LLC, Grant of Petition for Decision of Inconsequential noncompliance, 83 FR 36668 (July 30, 2018).

b. Sumitomo Rubber Industries, Ltd., Grant of Petition for Decision of Inconsequential Noncompliance, 83 FR 13002 (March 26, 2018).

c. Bridgestone Americas Tire Operations, LLC, Grant of Petition for Decision of Inconsequential Noncompliance, 78 FR 47049 (August 2, 2013).

d. Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. Grant of Petition for Decision of Inconsequential Noncompliance, 74 FR 10804 (March 12, 2009).

e. Nitto Tire U.S.A., Inc., Grant of Petition for Decision of Inconsequential Noncompliance, 81 FR 17764 (March 30, 2016).

f. Hankook Tire America Corp., Grant of Petition for Decision of Inconsequential Noncompliance, 79 FR 30688 (May 28, 2014).

STA concludes by again contending that the subject noncompliances are inconsequential as they relate to motor vehicle safety, and that its petitions to be exempted from providing notification of the noncompliances, as required by 49 U.S.C. 30118, and a remedy for the noncompliance, as required by 49 U.S.C. 30120, be granted.

NHTSA notes that the statutory provisions (49 U.S.C. 30118(d) and 30120(h)) that permit manufacturers to file petitions for a determination of inconsequentiality allow NHTSA to exempt manufacturers only from the duties found in sections 30118 and 30120, respectively, to notify owners, purchasers, and dealers of a defect or noncompliance and to remedy the defect or noncompliance. Therefore, any decision on these petitions only apply to the subject tires that STA no longer controlled at the time it determined that the noncompliances existed. However, any decision on these petitions does not relieve tire distributors and dealers of the prohibitions on the sale, offer for sale, or introduction or delivery for introduction into interstate commerce of the noncompliant tires under their control after STA notified them that the subject noncompliances existed.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 30118, 30120; delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.95 and 501.8.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Interest Rate Paid on Cash Deposited To Secure U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Immigration Bonds

AGENCY: Departmental Offices, Treasury.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: For the period beginning October 1, 2020, and ending on December 31, 2020, the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Immigration Bond interest rate is 0.11 per centum per annum.

DATES: Rates are applicable October 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Comments or inquiries may be mailed to Will Walcutt, Supervisor, Funds Management Branch, Funds Management Division, Fiscal Accounting, Bureau of the Fiscal Services, Parkersburg, West Virginia 26106–1328.

You can download this notice at the following internet addresses: <<http://www.treasury.gov>> or <<http://www.federalregister.gov>>.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Federal law requires that interest payments on cash deposited to secure immigration bonds shall be “at a rate determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, except that in no case shall the interest rate exceed 3 per centum per annum.” 8 U.S.C. 1363(a). Related Federal regulations state that “Interest on cash deposited to secure immigration bonds will be at the rate as determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, but in no case will exceed 3 per centum per annum or

be less than zero.” 8 CFR 293.2.

Treasury has determined that interest on the bonds will vary quarterly and will accrue during each calendar quarter at a rate equal to the lesser of the average of the bond equivalent rates on 91-day Treasury bills auctioned during the preceding calendar quarter, or 3 per centum per annum, but in no case less than zero. [FR Doc. 2015–18545] In addition to this Notice, Treasury posts the current quarterly rate in Table 2b—Interest Rates for Specific Legislation on the TreasuryDirect website.

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