

Inflate. Rotate. Evaluate.

*How to maintain
your tires*



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Inflate.

Check your tire pressure monthly.


Rotate.

Rotate your tires as recommended by the vehicle manufacturer or every 5,000 miles.

Evaluate.

Routinely look for signs of tread wear or damage.

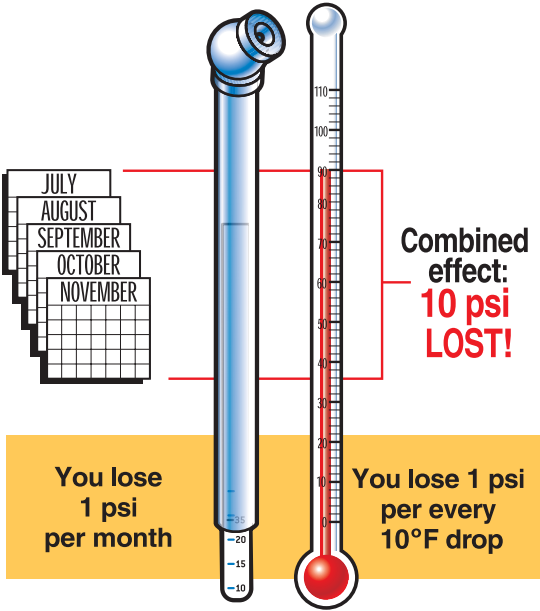
**Follow This *Easy*
Step-By-Step Checklist
To Maintain All Tires,
*Including The Spare.***

	Front _____ PSI										
	Rear _____ PSI										
J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D

Tire Pressure Basics

Tires can lose 1 psi (pound per square inch) per month under normal conditions.

Additionally, tires can lose 1 psi for every 10° F temperature drop.



Just a look won't do it. One of these tires is actually 10 psi underinflated. Your eyes can deceive you, so rely on a good tire gauge for an accurate reading.



30 psi

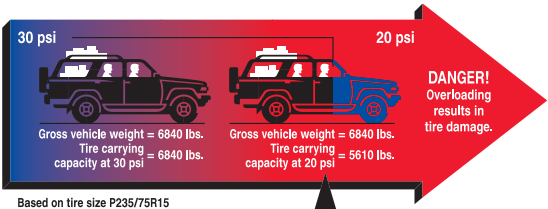


20 psi

Look for the manufacturer’s recommended air pressure listed on the sticker of your vehicle’s door jamb or owner’s manual. Example:

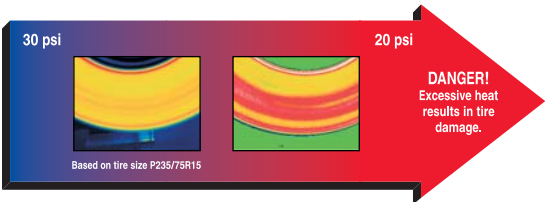
VEHICLE CAPACITY		OCCUPANTS				COLD TIRE PRESSURE	
	WEIGHT	FRT	CTR	RR	TOTAL	FRONT	REAR
MAX. LOAD	1100 lb 499 kg	3	3	3	6	35 PSI 240 kPa	35 240
TIRE SIZE	P205/75R15				SEE OWNER'S MANUAL FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION		

This chart shows you how underinflation can create an overload on tires. Check your air pressure every month to make sure it’s up to specification, especially before long trips or carrying extra weight.



These tires are 1230 pounds OVERLOADED!
This is equivalent to *over eight* 150 lb. people.

Lower pressure increases heat. Infrared photography of tires tested at high speed. Damaging heat increases as inflation pressure drops.



Air Pressure—Monthly Check

For accuracy, check your air pressure with a tire gauge when tires are cold. Driving heats up tires and makes the reading incorrect.

a) Remove tire valve cap.



b) Place the end of the tire gauge over valve.



c) Press the tire gauge straight and firmly until the scale extends.



d) If needed, add air and recheck pressure with the tire gauge.



e) Replace valve caps.



