

## **FAQ for motorbikes**

The Michelin FAQ answers many frequently asked questions about our company and our tyres.

### **Recommendations**

#### **Which tyre is most appropriate for my vehicle?**

To get the best recommendation, we advise you to use our tyre selector. If there are no recommendations, contact your manufacturer network.

#### **Can I fit my vehicle with tyres of different dimensions from the originals?**

Compliance with the original dimensions for the vehicle is essential for user safety, comfort and tyre durability. It is a key factor for optimal vehicle behaviour.

#### **Can I fit two different tyres front and rear?**

Our product ranges are developed to give the best combined performance between the front and rear tyres. This is why we strongly recommend that you use a single type for your vehicle, even if mixing different types is possible.

### **Pressure**

#### **What is the correct pressure for my tyres on the road?**

The mandatory pressure for road use is set by the manufacturer. It can be found in the Owner's Manual of the vehicle or on the vehicle itself. The inflation pressure indicated in these documents is for inflation when cold. In the absence of these documents, contact the manufacturer network. NB: The maximum pressure indicated on the tyre should under no circumstances be considered safe for road usage.

#### **What is the correct pressure for my tyres on the track?**

The inflation pressure for track use is indicated in the Michelin tyre documentation for track product ranges. It may also be consulted online at "Passion for riding" / "On track". If you do not have this information to hand, refer to the manufacturer's recommended pressure.

#### **When and how do I check pressure?**

Check your motorcycle tyre pressure often when the tyre is COLD. Michelin recommends checking the tyre pressure every two weeks and during long rides.

Never bleed air from a hot tyre. This may result in reduced operating air pressure. Correct inflation is essential for user safety, comfort and tyre durability. Compliance with manufacture recommendations as to inflation pressures is a key factor for road holding, both in a straight line and when cornering, even at moderate speeds and during braking. Driving at pressures other than those recommended may result in premature wearing of the tyre and, in the case of under-inflation, irreversible damage to the tyre.

#### **What are the consequences of under- or over-inflation?**

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straight line and when cornering, even at moderate speeds and during braking.

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### **Durability**

#### **What are the average life and mileage expectancy of a tyre?**

Average life and mileage expectancy are heavily dependent on the vehicle, usage and conditions of use. MICHELIN recommends taking account of 7 major factors affecting the durability of a tyre:

- some are directly within the control of the motorcyclist: inflation pressure, the load being transported, speed of vehicle, driving habits (braking and acceleration);
- some are not under driver control and require adjustments in driving: sinuosity of the road, type of surface, air temperature.

### **Tubeless/Tubetype**

#### **Are the tyres Tubeless or Tubetype?**

Once you have searched by motorcycle on our tyre selector, you may browse tubeless or tubetype tyres using the filters in the left-hand column on our website.

### **Inner tyre**

#### **With which tyres is an inner tube required?**

You need to fit an inner tube if your tyre is marked "tubetype" or if your wheel is tubetype.

#### **Which is the most appropriate inner tube?**

The dimension of the inner tube must correspond to the dimension of the tyre. Contact your dealer for advice.