

Tire Damage Resulting from Non-Compliant Run-flat/Beadlock Devices

The purpose of this bulletin is to inform end-users of the potential for damage from the installation and use of non-compliant devices in tire/wheel assemblies.

Any device installed inside a tire/wheel assembly, such as run-flat and/or beadlock devices, must not damage the tire's bead or interior surfaces during installation, mounting, or normal operation of the tire/wheel assembly.

Metal, hard plastic, or other non-compliant materials will damage the tire's interior when used in off-road and/or reduced inflation pressure operations of the tire/wheel assembly. These damages will lead to the tire's early removal from service and can result in sudden, catastrophic failure of the tire. The photos below illustrate possible conditions but do not constitute an exhaustive list of potential damages.

Temporary pictures
May have better pictures at the office.



Any damage from installation, use, malfunction, or removal of these devices is not a warrantable condition. Furthermore, these damages may cause the tire to lose pressure unexpectedly. Tire failure may or may not be preceded by bulges, knots, or blisters on the tire's exterior. If a tire exhibits these symptoms, or the device has loosened from the wheel inside the tire, the tire should be immediately deflated, removed from service, and discarded.

In addition to the foregoing, please refer to the MICHELIN® Truck Tire Operator's Manual and Limited Warranty (MWE40021) for a general discussion of what is and is not covered by the warranty.

For additional information, please contact your local Michelin sales representative or contact Michelin using the website at www.business.michelinman.com.