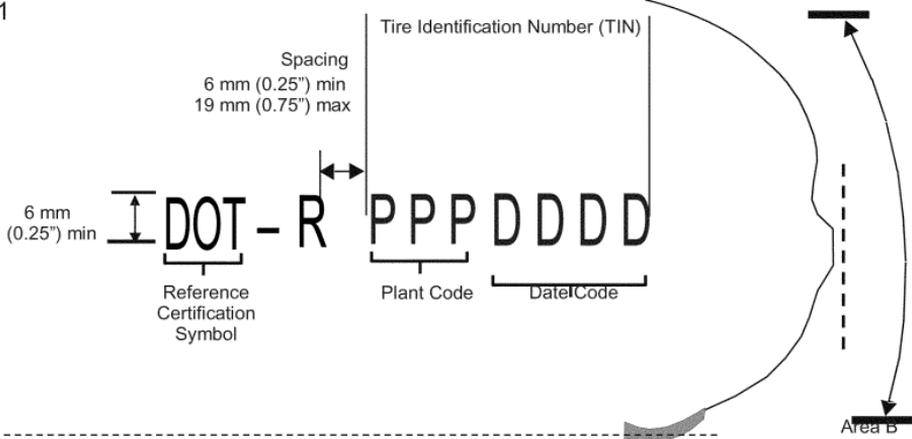
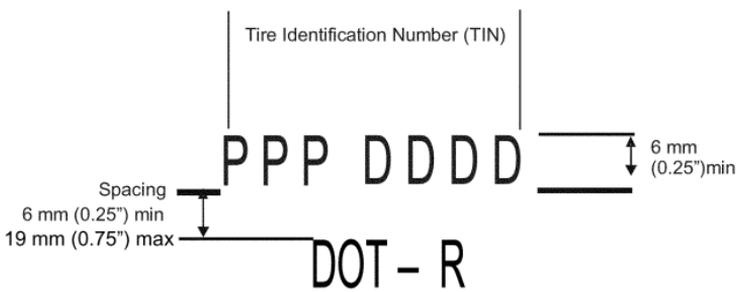


OPTION 1



OPTION 2



Notes

1. The TIN shall be in "Futura" Bold, Modified, or Condensed or "Gothic" characters. Other print types will be permitted if approved by NHTSA. The DOT symbol, the TIN, and the "R" shall be permanently molded 0.51 mm (0.020") to 1.02 mm (0.040") deep, measured from the surface immediately surrounding the symbols into or onto the tire at the indicated location on one side. As an option, the information contained in paragraph (b)(3) may be laser etched in the same location to a depth of 0.25 mm (0.010") to 1.02 mm (0.040") consistent with the requirements of paragraph (d)(1).
2. The "DOT" symbol is not part of the TIN and may only be marked onto tires that have been certified to a federal motor vehicle safety standard. The "R" symbol is not part of the TIN, but shall be marked by the retreader when the TIN is marked on the retreaded tire. The "R" may be located to the left of the TIN or it may be located above or below the TIN no less than 6 mm (0.25 inch) and not more than 19 mm (0.75 inch). The "DOT" symbol, when appropriate to mark, shall prefix the "R" by no less than 6mm (0.25 inch) and not more than 19 mm (0.75 inch). When marked above or below the TIN, the "DOT" symbol, when appropriate, the "R" symbol shall be wholly located above or below the TIN.
3. Groups of symbols in the TIN shall be in the order and number of symbols indicated. Deviation from the straight line arrangement shown will be permitted if required to conform to the curvature of the tire. Locate the certification symbol (if applicable), the "R", and the TIN in Area B, but not on the scuff ribs of the sidewall.
4. The retreaded tire TIN is comprised of the three character plant code followed by the four numerical character date code.
5. Retreaders may optionally use older TIN requirements specified in paragraph (g). These requirements specify, between the plant code and the date code, up to two symbols specifying the retread matrix or tire size code and up to four symbols for the tire type code.

Figure 2: Tire Identification Number (TIN) for Retreaded Tires