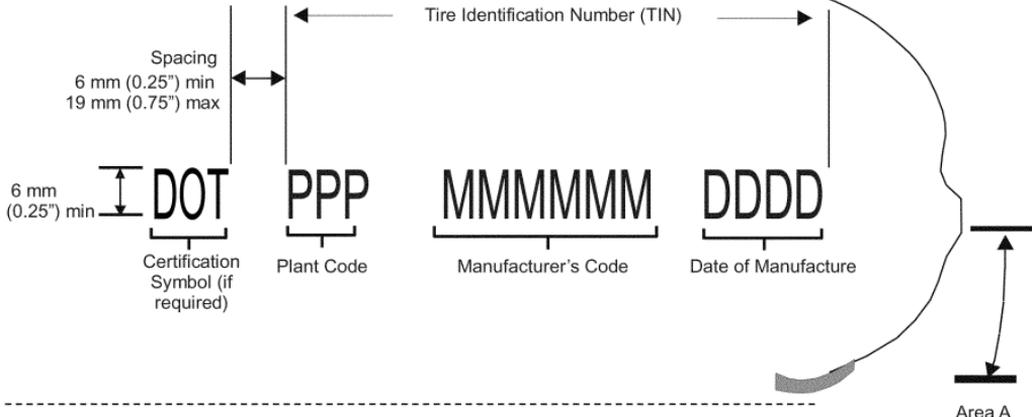
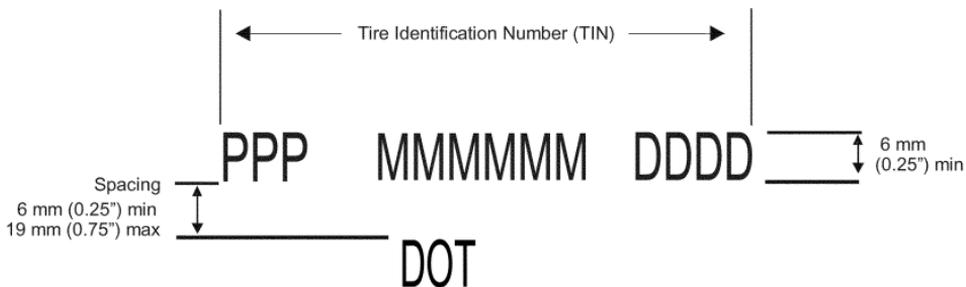


## OPTION 1



## OPTION 2



## Notes

- The TIN shall be in "Futura" Bold, Modified, or Condensed or "Gothic" characters. Other print types will be permitted if approved by NHTSA. The certifying symbol and the TIN shall be at least 6 mm in height and 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 also 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). For tires with a cross section of 152 mm (6 inches) or less or with a bead diameter of 330 mm (13 inches) or less, the height of the characters may be 4 mm (0.156 inches) or greater.
- The certification symbol is not part of the TIN and may only be marked by the manufacturer for tires it has certified to a Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard. The DOT symbol may be located to the left of TIN, or it may be wholly located above or below the Manufacturer's code. The spacing between the DOT symbol and the TIN shall be no less than 6 mm (0.25 inch) and no more than 19 mm (0.75 inch).
- Groups of symbols in the TIN shall be in the order and number of symbols indicated, see Option 1 and Option 2, above. Deviation from the straight line arrangement will be permitted if required to conform to the curvature of the tire.
- Locate the certification symbol and the TIN in the lower segment of one sidewall between the maximum section width and bead (Area A), so that data will not be obstructed by rim flange, unless maximum section width falls between the bead and one-fourth of the distance from the bead to the shoulder of the tire. For tires where the maximum section width falls in that area, locate all required labeling between the bead and one-half the distance from the bead to the shoulder so that the data will not be obstructed by the rim flange.
- Manufacturers who were previously assigned two-symbol plant codes may continue to use two-symbol plant codes in accordance with the requirements of paragraph (g). For those tires, the two-symbol plant code is followed by a size code that is up to two symbols in length, a tire type code that is up to four symbols in length, and the four-symbol date code.

Figure 1: Tire Identification Number (TIN) for New Tires