



Tyre Manufacturers' Technical Advisory Committee

Minutes of the meeting held 20th May 2021 by video-conference

Present					
Chris Baxter	<i>Hankook</i>	Rob Blurton	<i>Michelin</i>	Alistair Brown	<i>GiTi</i>
Steve Howat	<i>Continental</i>	Steve Morris (Chair)	<i>Goodyear</i>	Gerry Murphy	<i>ITMA</i>
Gary Powell	<i>Bridgestone</i>				
Shaun Martin	<i>DVSA</i>	Andrew Sefton	<i>DVSA</i>	Simon Smith	<i>DVSA</i>
Apologies					
Alan Meaker	<i>Toyo</i>	Vincent Bezard	<i>Cooper Tire Europe</i>	Nigel Winfield	<i>Pirelli</i>
Dave Wood	<i>DVSA</i>				
In attendance					
Graham Willson	<i>BTMA</i>				

1. Welcome and housekeeping matters

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Decision</i>
Graham welcomed participants to the call. Apologies were received as above.	Noted.

2. Compliance statement

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Decision</i>
Graham highlighted the need to respect Competition law and the requirements of the TIF compliance statement.	Members agreed to abide by the requirements of the compliance statement.

3. Minutes of last meeting held 21st April 2021

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Decision</i>
Review of the minutes of the meeting held 21 st April 2021.	The minutes were approved unanimously.

4. Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda: none

5. Guidance re van tyres

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Decision</i>
Feedback re the proposed text regarding the definition of the tread area and correct fitment of directional tyres were received and discussed.	Amendments were adopted. Agreement to include a link to the MOT test manual re definition of tyre tread. See revised draft circulated with these minutes.
An erroneous reference to heavy vehicles was pointed out under Repairs.	Amendment agreed.
Review of proposed text regarding tyre valves and towing.	Proposed text adopted. Agreement to include link to Gov.UK guidance about towing.
Review of sidewall marking chart: corrections were proposed.	GW to issue corrected chart.
Next steps were discussed with a view to finalising the document by end June.	GW to liaise with DW re introduction; GW to issue revised text by 28 th May; GW to commission layout, images, etc by 4 th June; GW to propose 2-page "flyer" for 15 th July meeting.

6. Any other urgent business: none

Date of next meeting: 15th July 13:30 – 15:30.