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## Tyres:

Tyres are the only contact between your trailer and the road surface. Road safety legislation requires that all tyres must have at least 1mm of thread depth over the entire width of the tyre.

Examine the wear pattern of your tyres regularly, as this could provide important clues of the following possible problems.

Tyre wear on the inside only is usually caused by overloading. Tyre wear on the outside only may indicate that wheels are running out of track and that the axle needs to be re-aligned.

If only the centre of the tread is worn, the tyres have been operated while over-inflated.

Where wear is on the inside and outside of the tyre then under-inflation is the cause.

Check the tyre pressure regularly and maintain within manufactures specification.

In many cases trailers are not used frequently. Age of tyres used should generally not exceed more than 5 years. Tyres deteriorate from standing for long periods and being exposed to the elements. When parking your trailer for a long period, rather mount it on stands to preserve the tyres. The wheels may even be removed and stowed under cover if necessary.

Do not overload your trailer's tyres as a burst tyre may result in an accident. Check the tyre carrying capacity with your tyre dealer. The carrying capacity of the tyre is also usually indicated on the sidewall of the tyre for easy reference.

Trailer wheels can come loose from time to time and it is important to check them on a regular basis if they are still tight. It is advisable to use a torque wrench for this purpose but a normal wheel spanner also works.

Tightening should be in a sequence of opposite nuts or bolts first.

Final tightening should be on the ground.