

# Safety Questions: Tyres

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## Question:

Tell me where you would find the information about the recommended tyre pressures for this car and how tyre pressures should be checked.

## Example answer:

Find the tyre pressures in the car's handbook and then use the tyre inflator at the garage or a tyre pressure gauge to check the pressure when the tyres are cold. Find the valve and remove the dust cap. Then adjust the pressure as necessary and refit the dust cap. Note: Also mention that you would check the spare tyre.

## Question:

Tell me how you would check the tyres to ensure that they have sufficient tread depth and that their general condition is safe to use on the road.

## Example answer:

Explain that you would use a depth gauge to check the tread depth in a couple of places across the tyre and make a visible check to ensure the tread is consistent over three-quarters of the tyre width and that you would make a visual check to ensure that there are no cuts, blisters or bulges on the tyres.

Also mention that to check side of the tyre that you can't see, you would run your hand around being especially careful because of the dangers of injury from debris that might be embedded in the tyre.

Note: it is worth mentioning that you would include the spare tyre in your checks.

**Legal note:** No cuts and bulges in the tyre wall, 1.6mm of tread depth across the central three-quarters of the breadth of the tyre and around the entire circumference



## Lesson Notes:

