

India Group Views

Wet grip in Module B

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Wet Grip & Module B

- India view is - "Wet Grip Test" should be made Optional & to be placed under "Module B".
- The aspect of wet grip is governed by the real "Application" of tyre in a particular environment. We know that world over, such tyre application conditions are widely divergent hence the 'Product' must be allowed to be customized to suit such applications. For example the countries having dry climate like Middle East may want to use a product suitable for dry conditions only. The products containing additional features of predominant wet properties are generally not suited for such applications in view of the compromise it can have on other performance indicators like Wear and Dry Traction

Background Info

- Based on various tests , there are Trade-offs between Good wet vis-à-vis dry application
- The test data comparing the key indicators have thrown up following statistics of better wet grip tyres against predominant dry applications
 - Rolling Resistance deterioration by 10%
 - Mileage Reduction by 30~40%
 - Cost increase* by approx 20~30%

* *Silica constructions*