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INTRODUCTION

GENERAL

- 1 This EO is published to furnish maintenance personnel with information concerning the application of aircraft tires and tubes. Authorized substitutes are not listed in this publication. The supply of substitute tires and inner tubes for aircraft will be the responsibility of AMCHQ.
- When requisitioning tires and tubes, see Figure 1-1, specify on the demand the specific type, model and series of aircraft for which the tires and tubes are to be used.

NOTE

Plain type tread and rib or non-skid type tread tires should not be installed together on main wheels of aircraft. Tires must be of like ply rating.

Duel wheels are to be equipped with tires of like wear. Not one bald and one new.

3 Figure 1-1 contains complete identifying information and other pertinent data (such as NATO stock numbers, sizes, ply rating and tread pattern) on all aircraft tires and tubes being used by the RCAF.

2				TIRES				
AIRCRAFT	POSITION	NSN	TYPE	TT or TL	SIZE	SPECIFICATION OR RCAF DWG. No.	PLY	TREAD
ALBATROSS	Main Nose	2620-21-800-8476 2620-21-800-8475	VII II	TT	40 x 12 26 x 6	MIL-T-5041D MIL-T-5041D	14	ии
ARGUS	Main Nose	2620-21-804-2811 2620-21-804-2816	VII	TT	36 × 11 29 × 7.7	RCAF Dwg. 43306 RCAF Dwg. 43302		. 88
BRISTOL FREIGHTER	Main (1) Nose	2620-00-174-1754 2620-21-805-5513	III	TT TT	15,50-20 9,75-8	MIL-T-5041D Part DR9920	1.4 5	Ø. 04
CANUCK	Main Nose	2620-21-804-3999 2620-21-804-3998	VII VII	TT	27 x 6, 50-15 19 x 6, 00-8	RCAF Dvg. 43394 RCAF Dwg. 43511	4. 00	os os
CARIBOU	Main (2) Nose	2620-21-800-6448 2620-21-802-6539	H	TT TL	11.00-12	MIL-T-5041D MIL-T-5041D	· 6 · 6	W &
CF101B & F	Main Nose	2620-00-580-8024 2620-00-839-1849	NIII VII	TL	31 x 11,50-16 18 x 5,5	MIL-T-5041D MIL-T-5041D	22 14	o; 116
CF104 & D	Main Nose	2620-21-801-8753 2620-21-801-8752	VII	TL	25 x 6, 75 18 x 5, 5	RCAF Dwg, 45494 RCAF Dwg, 45491	· c +	жж
Ce	Main Nose	2620-21-805-5504 2620-21-805-5512	III	r'r rr	15.50-20	MIL-T-5041D (Givil) MIL-T-5041D (Givil)	97 97	84 04
C119	Main (1) Nose	2620-00-174-1754 2620-00-277-4818	111 111	TT TT	15,50-20 9,50-16	MIL-T-5041D MIL-T-5041D	14 10	к с
CESSNA L19 (A & E)	Main Tail	2620-00-269-7553 2620-00-367-8484	III COMM	TT TT	7.00-6 8.00-3	MIL-T-5041D SCOTT 3228	ਹ +≠	a y
CESSNA (L182D)	Main Nose	2620-21-807-4174 2620-21-806-1346	HH	T.	6.00-6 5.00-5	COMMERCIAL	ه د	K K
CHIPNICNK	Main Tail	2620-00-277-4823 2620-21-801-0577	III COMM	TT TT	6.00-6 2.50-4	MIL-T-5041D FIRESTONE	* *-	px, px.
COMET	Main Nose	2620-21-805-5500 2620-21-805-5501	NA NA	TT TT	35 x 9,00-17 30 x 9,00-15	Dunlop Dwg. DC1723 Dunlop Dwg. DC4033	14 10	00
COSMOPOLITAN	Main Nose	2620-21-800-8070 2620-21-800-8071	NII VII	TL TL	39 x 13 28 x 7.7	RCAF Dwg. 45474 RCAF Dwg. 45473	+1	K K
DAKOTA	Main Tail	2620-21-800-6445 2620-00-269-7694	田田	TT TT	17.00-16 9.00-b	MIL-T-5041D MIL-T-5041D	12 10	8 8 8

Figure 1-1 (Sheet 1 of 4) Tires and Tube Size Identification and Classification

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AIRCRAFT	POSITION	NSN	TYPE	TT or TL	SIZE	SPECIFICATION OR OR RCAF DWG, NO.	PLY RAID'G	TREAD
EXPEDITOR	Main (2) Tail	2620-21-800-6448 2620-21-804-3638	III I	TT TT	11.00-12 14.50	MIL-T-5041D MIL-T-5041D	e e	rc; D.
HARVARD 4	Main Tail	2620-00-269-7685 2620-00-640-2330	нн	rr rr	27 12.50	MIL-T-5041D MIL-T-5041D	01 9	ж O
HERCULES (C130B)	Main Nose	2620-00-269-7611 2620-00-141-8814	日日	TT TT	20.00-20 12.50-16	MIL-T-5041D MIL-T-5041D	23 12	ದ್ದ ದ್ಯ
LANCASTER	Main Tail	2620-21-804-3989 2620-21-804-3991	NA NA	TT TT	24,00-19 12,50-10	IGGTR21 NXR31	4.0	иυ
NEPTUNE	Main Nose	2620-21-804-7000 2620-21-804-7007	I	TT TT	56 34 x 9.9	MIL-T-5041D & RCAF Dwg. MIL-T-5041D &	22	ng g
NORTH STAR	Main (1) Nose	2620-00-174-1754 2620-21-804-3993	III	TT	15,50-20 44	MIL-T-5041D MIL-T-5041D	14	in M m
OTTER (LAND)	Main (2) Tail (3)	2620-21-800-6448 2620-21-804-7001	目目	TT	11.00-12 6.00-12	MIL-T-5041D MIL-T-5041D	ω ∙0	ic ci
OITER (EDO FLOAT)	Main Nose	2620-21-804-7131 2620-21-804-7129	III	TT TT	8.50-10 5.50-4	MIL-T-5041D - Civil Rating Dunlop DA13935 (Marstrand)	10 10	ĸ U
SABRE	Main (4) Nose	2620-21-804-7133 2620-00-269-7687	VII VI	TT TT	26 × 6.6 22 × 7.25-11.50	RCAF Dwg, 43570 MIL-T-5041D	# ¹²	K K
SIKORSKY H5 (S51)	Main Nose (3)	2620-21-804-3995 2620-21-804-7001	HH	TT TT	6,50-10 6,00-6	MIL-T-5041D MIL-T-5041D	9 D	αц
SIKORSKY H19 (S55)	Main (5) Nose (3)	2620-21-805-5505 2620-21-804-7001	ПΠ	TT TT	7.50-10 6.00-6	MIL-T-5041D MIL-T-5041D	၁ ပ	Хα
SIKORSKY H34A (S58)	Main Tail (3)	2620-00-174-1746 2620-21-804-7001	HH	TT TT	11.00-12 6.00-12	MIL-T-5041D MIL-T-5041D	m ·0	αц
Т33	Main (4) Nose	2620-21-804-7133 2620-21-804-7119	VII VI	TT TT	26 x 6, 6 22 x 7, 25-11, 50	RCAF Dwg, 43570 MIL-T-5041D	4. ∞	cc ቢ
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Figure 1-1 (Sheet 2 of 4) Tires and Tube Size Identification and Classification

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AIRCRAFT	POSITION	NSN	TYPE	TT	SIZE	SPECIFICATION OR RCAF DWG. NO.	PLY RATING	TREAD
rutor	Main Nose	2620-21-807-4727 2620-21-806-1346	пл	TT TT	20 × 4, 4 5, 00-5	MIL-T-5041D MIL-T-5041D	10 3	æ æ
VERTOL H21A & B) H44A)	Main Nose (5)	2620-00-270-3598 2620-21-805-5505	пл	TT	24 × 7.7 7.50-10	MIL-T-5041D MIL-T-5041D	10 6	אא
VER TOL CH113 (107)	Main and Nose	2620-21-804-5305	IIA	TL	18 x 5, 5	MIL-T-5041D	ശ	æ
ſUKON	Main Nose	2620-21-803-6952 2620-21-803-6951	IIA	TL TL	40 x 12 32 x 8.8	RCAF Dwg. 43563 RCAF Dwg. 43567	20 12	ಭಷ
		TREAD PATTERNS			TIRE TYPES	a		
		R - Ribbed			I Smoo	Smooth Contour		
		N - Nonskid			II High	High Pressure		
		P - Plain			III Low	Low Pressure		
		C - Channel or Twin Contact	ontact		IV Extra	Extra Low Pressure		
		D - Dimple			VI Low	Low Profile		
					VII Extra	Extra High Pressure		
					VIII Extra	Extra High Pressure, Low Profile		
		NOTE: (1), (2), etc. d	etc. denotes like tires.					

Figure 1-1 (Sheet 3 of 4) Tires and Tube Size Identification and Classification

			TUBES	ES			
AIRCRAFT	NSN	SPECIFICATION OR RCAF DWG.	SIZE	AIRCRAFT	NSN	SPECIFICATION OR RCAF DWG.	SIZE
ALBATROSS	2620-21-800-8557 2620-21-800-8556	MIL-T-5014C MIL-T-5014C	40 × 12 26 × 6	HARVARD 4	2620-21-800-6444 2620-21-800-6450	MIL-T-5014C MIL-T-5014C	27.00 12.50
ARGUS	2620-21-804-2813 2620-21-804-2819	43306 43302	36 × 11 29 × 7.7	HERCULES (C130B)	2620-00-267-3052 2620-00-267-3050	MIL-T-5014C MIL-T-5014C	20.00-20 12.50-16
BRISTOL FREIGHTER	2620-00-555-7723 2620-21-805-5510	MIL-T-5014C DT9900	15.50-20 9.75-8	LANCASTER	2620-21-804-3990 2620-21-804-3992	1GG2 NX2	24.00-19 12.50-10
CANUCK	2620-21-805-5509 2620-21-804-3996	43304 LH2	27 x 6, 50-15 19 x 6, 00-8	NEPTUNE	2620-21-804-7006 2620-21-804-7008	MIL-T-5014C MIL-T-5014C	56 34 x 9.9
CARIBOU	2620-21-800-6449	MIL-T-5014C	11.00-12	NORTH STAR	2620-00-555-7723 2620-21-804-3994	MIL-T-3014C MIL-T-3014C	15,50-20 44
CF101B & F	2620-00-269-7701	MIL-T-5014C	18 x 5, 5	OTTER (LAND)	2620-21-800-6449 2620-21-804-7002	MIL-T-5014C MIL-T-5014C	11.00-12 6.00-6
C5	2620-00-555-7723 2620-21-804-3994	MIL-T-5014C MIL-T-5014C	15.50-20 44	OTTER (EDO FLOAT)	2620-21-804-7130 2620-21-804-7128	MIL-T-5014C MIL-T-5014C	3.50-10 5.00-4
C119	2620-00-555-7723 2620-21-805-5507	MIL-T-5014C MIL-T-5014C	15.50-20 9.50-16	SABRE	2620-21-804-7004 2620-21-804-7005	MIL-T-5014C MIL-T-5014C	26 x 6.6 22 x 7.25-11.50
CESSNA (L19 A & E)	2620-00-269-7266 2620-00-214-0482	MIL-T-5014C COMMERCIAL	7.00-6 8.00-3	SIKORSKY H5 (S51)	2620-00-269-7268 2620-21-804-7002	MIL-T-5014C MIL-T-5014C	6.30-10 6.00-6
CHIPMUNK	2620-21-804-7002 2620-21-800-6442	MIL-T-5014C COMMERCIAL	6.00-6	SIKORSKY H19 (S55)	2620-21-805-5506 2620-21-804-7002	MIL-T-5014C MIL-T-5014C	7.30-10
COMET	2620-21-805-5502 2620-21-805-5503	DUNLOP 1705 DUNLOP FE3	35 × 9,00-17	SIKORSKY H34A (S58)	2620-21-800-6449 2620-21-804-7002	MIL-T-5014C MIL-T-5014C	11.00-12 6.00-6
COSMOPOLITAN	2620-21-806-8855	FOR TT NOSE TIRE	7.50-14	T33	2620-21-804-7004 2620-21-804-7005	MIL-T-5014C MIL-T-5014C	26 x 6, 6 22 x 7, 25-11, 50
DAKOTA	2620-21-800-6446 2620-21-800-6447	MIL-T-5014C MIL-T-5014C	17.00-16 9.00-6	TUTOR	2620-00-270-3659 2620-00-288-0246	MIL-T-5014C MIL-T-5014C	20 x 4.4 5.00-5
EXPEDITOR	2620-21-800-6449 2620-21-804-3639	MIL-T-5014C MIL-T-5014C	11.00-12 14.50	VERTOL (H21A & B) (H44A)	2620-00-269-7436 2620-21-805-5506	MIL-T-5014C MIL-T-5014C	24 × 7, 7 7, 50-10

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GENERAL INFORMATION

RETREADED TIRES

1 Retreaded tires are to be used when available.

INFLATION PRESSURE

2 The tire inflation pressures MUST be in strict accordance with the aircraft gross take-off weight inflation pressures, as cited in the applicable aircraft -2 EO.

TIRES AND TUBE SIZE IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION

MAXIMUM GROUND SPEEDS FOR AIRCRAFT TIRES

3 All type VII and type VIII tires have a minimum speed rating of at least 139 knots (160 mph). Unless otherwise specified tires classified as high speed tires shall be capable of 174 knots (200 mph) or greater.

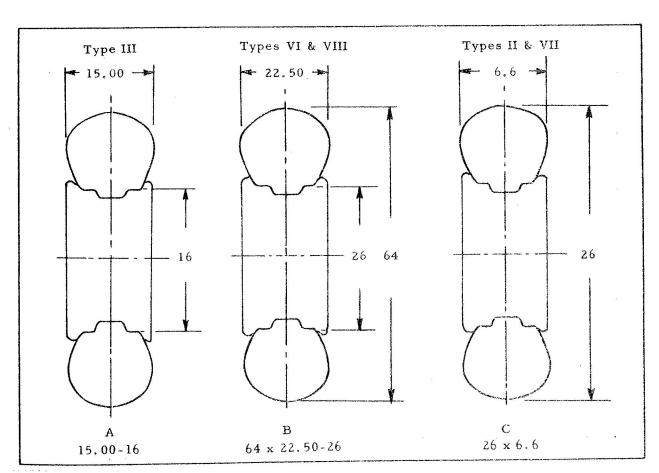


Figure 2-1 Tire Size Identification

- 4 All type I, II, III and IV aircraft tires have a maximum speed rating of 139 knots.
- 5 Tires with the "Helicopter" marked on sidewall have a maximum speed rating of 35 knots (40 mph).
- Tire sizes are usually identified by two or three dimensions, all of which give an indication of the essential size of the tire, Figure 2-1 shows how these dimensions are related to the nominal size of the tire.
- 7 These dimensions are in inches. For sketch "A", 15.00 indicates the nominal cross-sectional width of the inflated tire, and 16 refers to the actual bead diameter and therefore the diameter of the bead seat on the wheel.
- 8 Some American tire sizes only give the overall diameter measurement of the inflated tire. The American and English systems have been combined to provide overall diameter, cross section, and a bead seat diameter. An example of this is shown in sketch B and C.
- 9 Tire sizes are generally written in the following form, see Figure 2-1:
 - Sketch A 15.00-16.
- (b) Sketch B $64 \times 22.50-26$.

- (c) Sketch $G = 26 \times 6.6$.
- 10 The term "ply rating" is used to identify a given tire with its maximum recommended load when used in a specific type of service. It is an index of tire strength and does not necessarily represent the number of cord plies in the tire.
- If the casing is defined as the protective outer, load carrying component of a pneumatic tire. A conventional pneumatic tire consists of an assembly of the casing and an inner tube.
- 12 Tubes are marked with the size of casing it is to fit. Each is peculiar to its particular size of casing and is generally not interchangeable with any other size.

SPECIFICATIONS

- 13 MIL-T-5041D Military Specification casings, tires and tubeless tires; aircraft pneumatic.
- 14 MIL-T-5014G Military Specification tubes, inner, aircraft pneumatic tire.
- Where a requirement exists which is not adequately covered by the MIL Specifications, a USAF or RCAF Drawing provides additional information or higher performance requirements.

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FUNCTIONS OF AIRCRAFT TIRES

- 1 The chief functions of the aircraft tire are to support and cushion the machine during take-off, landing and taxiing operations, and while the aircraft is stationary on the ground.
- 2 The tires are of vital importance during take-off and landing operations. At the same time, once the aircraft is airborne, the tires and wheels become dead weight.

Consequently, aircraft designers have reduced the size and weight of these components to a minimum while retaining an adequate safety factor.

3 With present tire pressures in the RCAF up to 300 psi and the prospect of pressures above this it is mandatory that regular efficient servicing be carried out to maintain this margin of safety.

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TIRE CONSTRUCTION

- or tubeless forms; in the latter, see Fig. sists of 3 main parts. ure 4-2, the inner tube is in effect made integral with the outer cover which forms (a) The tread and its continuation which an air seal against the wheel body and flange, is the sidewall.
- Aircraft tires are constructed to tubed 2 Au aircraft tire, ses Figure 4-1, con-

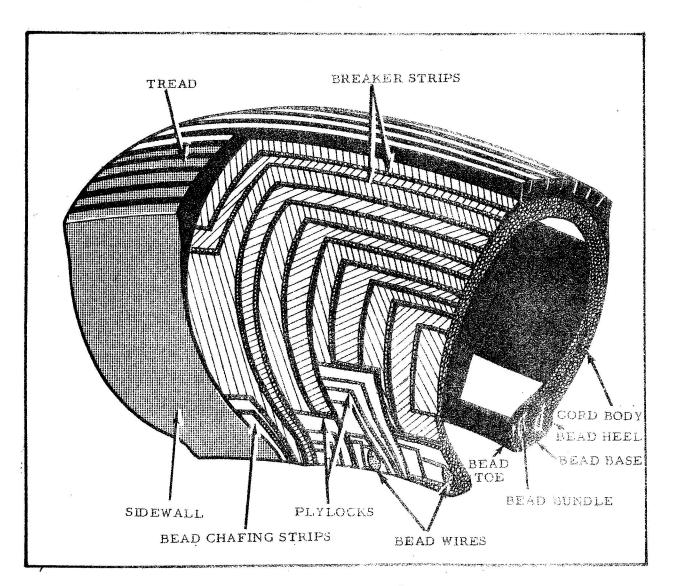


Figure 4-1 Aircraft Tire - Construction

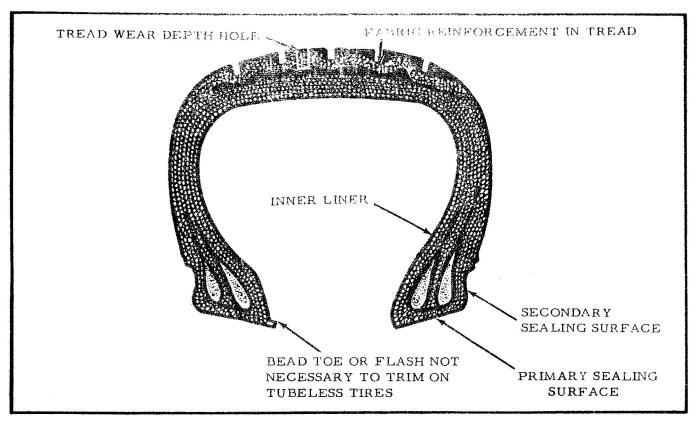


Figure 4-2 Sectional View of Aircraft Tubeless Tire With Fabric Reinforced Tread
Illustrating Tread Wear Depth Hole

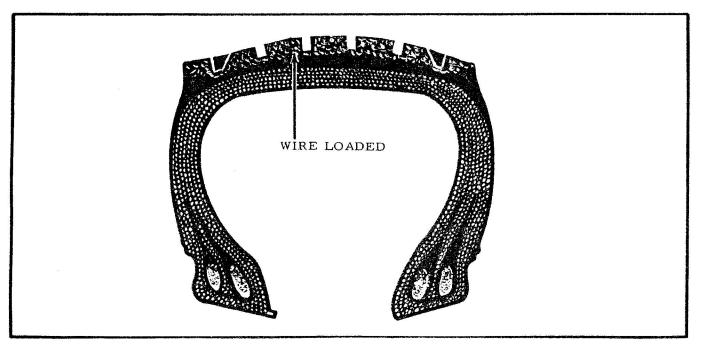


Figure 4-3 Section View of Ice Grip Tire (Wire Loaded)

- (b) The cord body or carcass of the tire.
- (c) The beads.
- 3 The tread is a layer of rubber on the outer circumference of the tire and is its wearing surface. It, with the sidewall, helps protect the cord body from cuts, snags, bruises and moisture.
- 4 The cord body consists of layers (usually an even number) of rubberized cords, made of nylon; it is sometimes reinforced by the addition of breakers or inserts, usually but not always, directly under the tread.
- 5 Regardless of the type of fabric used in the cord body, plies or breakers, it is impregnated between or around the cords with either natural or synthetic rubber. The plies of adjacent layers run in different directions in order to give balanced strength since one layer of cord fabric has all its strength in one direction only. The cord plies provide the casing with tensile strength to resist internal air pressure and bruising, and they protect the tube.
- 6 The main function of the breakers is to help distribute impact and landing shocks over

a wider area and to give the tire more strength and protection under the tread.

NOTE

Certain types VII and VIII tires do not contain breaker strips.

- 7 The tire is also provided with ply locks to tie the wire beads into the casing, and in addition, chafing strips along the outside of the beads help to protect the tire in the bead area from rim chafing and to give it additional strength and rigidity.
- 8 The beads provide the casing a base around which the plies are bonded, and permit the tire to be held firmly on the wheel. They contain steel wires embedded in rubber, the wires are wrapped with fabric, which helps to tie the bead into position in the tire, and insulate the wire from the inner cord layers.
- 9 All tire and casings are balanced by means of a balance patch. A balance marker consisting of a red dot is permanently branded into the sidewall to indicate the lightweight point of the tire or casing.

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AIRCRAFT TUBES

- The tube is a very important part of the tire assembly since it is the tube which holds the air, and the air in turn absorbs the impact of landing shocks and smooths out the take-off. To function properly, it must fit inside the cover without creasing or undue stretching of any part. Nearly all sizes of tubes are produced by a moulding process, and each tube consists virtually of one piece of vulcanized rubber with no perceptible weakness at the joint or variation in the thickness. Means are provided for preventing entrapped air between casing and tube such as molded vent ridges. All type VII tubes are provided with radial vent ridges designed to remove trapped air from the shoulder and crown areas of the tire.
- The majority of aircraft tubes are fitted with valves in which the stem is attached to the rubber base by direct vulcanization, and the rubber base is vulcanized to the tube.

This method of valve attachment is vastly superior to the method whereby the valve is secured to the tube by a nut.

3 Balance patches are used to bring the tube within the requirements of the specification. A tube balance mark, positioned on the valve side of the tube consists of a mark approximately 1/2" wide and 2" long in contrasting colour, the long axis of the mark across the section of the tube to indicate the heavy portion of the tube.

NOTE

On installation, the heavy point of the tube must be installed adjacent to the light point of the tire.

4 Dual seal inner tubes, consisting of an inner tube of rubberized fabric within a heavy rubber tube, presently in use are being replaced by standard tubes.

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