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MEASURING YOUR TIRE TREAD DEPTH



To avoid potential end-of-term fees or tire replacement, your tires must have a minimum of 4/32" tread depth at time of vehicle return.

Here's a simple way to measure and check tread depth:

01

Insert a quarter into the tread groove of your tire – turn the quarter so Washington's head faces down.

02

If the tread touches Washington's head, you have at least 4/32" tread depth.

03

Check several places around each tire. If any part of the tread is less than 4/32", document this on the pre-inspection when prompted.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- **Are there other tools I can use to measure tread depth?**
  Yes, you can find tire tread depth gauges at most auto parts stores.
- **Can I measure using the tread wear indicator bars built into my tires?**
  No, while all tires feature small bars of rubber between the treads, these indicate wear down to 2/32" which is below the 4/32" depth required for vehicle return.
- **What if these aren't my vehicle's original tires?**
  If you replaced your vehicle's tires at any point during your lease contract, they must have the same specifications as original equipment supplied on your vehicle (size, speed rating, and run flat, if applicable) and must be a matching set.
- **Can I get my tires inspected at my dealer?**
  Yes, you can get an optional, complimentary pre-inspection of your entire vehicle at your local dealer – where you can get any repairs or tire replacement done prior to vehicle return with the highest standard of service using original manufacturer parts.

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