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When are my tyres due? by [Edwards Frad](#)

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Every time when you have to change your winter or summer tyres you start pondering whether you have enough of rubber to cover for this year.

The best ways to measure your tyre are quite simple. For example in all Nokian new tyres there are warning signal numbers that tell that how much you still have rubber before your tyre is illegally worn out. If you don't have the indicators you can also use a match or a coin to see approximately how much tyre you still have left. In Finland the law says that you have to have at least 3mm of rubber on winter tyres and 1,6mm on summer tyres.

The right amount of tyre that you should have before changing them is around 4-5 mm. Take a 2euro coin and see the silvery border that is around 4mm. When you put the coin to the rail on the tyre, if you can see the silvery part rising from the rail you know that you have under 4mm of tyre and you should consider changing your tyres.

If you have spike tyres and you are measuring the wearing of them you should focus on the spikes. If the spikes are bent, out of place or simply you have a lot less spikes than usual, your grip might be radically reduced and you should immediately change tyres. In Finland the law says that the amount of spikes should not differ more than 25% on average. If they do, the tyres should be changed.

The best way to check the condition of your tyres is to go to your local Vianor shop and have the tyres checked. The people there can immediately tell you whether you can still drive or not. The best part is that if you have to get new stylized tyres (in Finnish: tyylitetyt renkaat) you can get them on the spot. You should not be driving with bad tyres at all. Not only is it dangerous but you can get an actual fine for driving with bad tyres. Usually around spring and winter there are some raids that are inspecting the car tyres.

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