

PLASTICIZER MIGRATION TIRE STAINING

CAUSE: Cause & Tips

- **Polymer Leaching from hot tires**
- **Plastiziers are used in rubber to improve flexibility & traction**
- **Stains are more common with soft compound tires**
** (i.e. High Performance, Summer, Z-Rated, Motorcycle, Racing or Drag Radials, Aviation & other soft compounds)*

STAIN REMOVAL:

- **Clean the stain off immediately to avoid permanent damage**
- **Small stain might be removed using an Arm & Hammer Magic Eraser pad with clean water or rubbing the stain with a new, dry Tennis Ball**
- **If more aggressive stains occur, use a D'Lemonine based Citric Acid Degreaser mixed with lukewarm water while agitating the surface with a soft bristle Nylon brush then thoroughly clean water rinse (* DO NOT USE Simple Green)**

MINIMIZING STAIN RISK & APPEARANCE:

- **After driving when air temperatures exceed 85°F, allow tires to cool while parked outside for 1 hour before parking indoors**
- **Coat the area where tires will rest black to hide stains**
- **Lexan panels may be placed under tires to avoid direct contact with the floor surface, reducing stain risk**
- **Rarely moved vehicles**
 - **Place on jack stands to keep tires off of the floor surface**

