

Continental Launches AllSeasonContact with Best Rolling Resistance Grade



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Hanover, Germany, March 15, 2022. Continental launches dimensions of the AllSeasonContact tire for the first time with a rolling resistance class A rating – the best possible rating for the EU tire label. What’s more, four out of the five tire sizes bear an XL identifier, so they can carry heavier loads. This combination makes the tire the ideal retrofit option for electric vehicles, as it can carry the higher average weight and extend the range of e-cars.

Continental is initially presenting the AllSeasonContact tire with rolling resistance class A in five sizes that can be used to retrofit popular electric vehicles such as the Hyundai Kona Electro, Kia e-Niro, Peugeot e-2008 and Opel Mokka-e for year-round use. For this version of the AllSeasonContact, the developers were able to reduce the amount of material and further optimize the rolling resistance of the rubber compound. These measures reduce tire deformation in the contact patch. As a result, the AllSeasonContact loses less energy to the road – the main cause of rolling resistance.

“We’re convinced that there is no one-tire-fits-all solution for all-electric vehicles. Instead, we have been working for over a decade on developing our existing portfolio so that it meets the requirements of all electric vehicles and at the same time can sustainably reduce emissions from combustion vehicles as well,” says Andreas Schlenke, tire developer at Continental. “We’re proud to be one of the first tire manufacturers to successfully optimize the rolling resistance of an all-season tire significantly without any loss of safety.” Most of the AllSeasonContact portfolio already has the very good rolling resistance B rating.

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