TYRE MARKINGS



- 1. P indicates that the tyre is for passenger vehicle use. This index is not always shown.
- 2. The width of the tyre from sidewall edge to sidewall edge, in millimetres.
- **3.** The aspect ratio, also known as the profile, gives the sidewall height as a percentage of the tread width. So, if the tread width is 205 mm and the aspect ratio is 50, the sidewall height will be 102 mm.
- **4. R** indicates that the tyre is of Radial ply construction.
- **5.** The diameter of the wheel rim, given in inches.
- **6.** The load index for the tyre. This index is not always shown.

The load index and speed rating on all replacement tyres must be, at least, the same specification as the manufacturer's original equipment supplied with the vehicle (except for approved winter tyres, see 300, USING WINTER TYRES). If in doubt, consult a Retailer/Authorised Repairer.

7. The speed rating denotes the maximum speed at which the tyre may be used for extended periods. See 296, SPEED RATING.