

## What's In My Owner's Manual?

Per the TREAD Act, vehicle manufacturers must also provide a section in owner's manuals that explains TPMS indicator light operation, the symptoms related to underinflated tires, and the steps drivers should take if the light illuminates while operating the vehicle. The following statement is required and included in your owner's manual:

**Each tire, including the spare (if provided), should be checked monthly when cold and inflated to the inflation pressure recommended by the vehicle manufacturer on the vehicle placard or tire inflation pressure label. (If your vehicle has tires of a different size than the size indicated on the vehicle placard or tire inflation pressure label, you should determine the proper inflation pressure for those tires.)**

**As an added safety feature, your vehicle has been equipped with a tire pressure monitoring system (TPMS) that illuminates a low tire pressure telltale when one or more of your tires is significantly underinflated. Accordingly, when the low tire pressure telltale illuminates, you should stop and check your tires as soon as possible, and inflate them to the proper pressure. Driving on a significantly underinflated tire causes the tire to overheat and can lead to tire failure. Underinflation also reduces fuel efficiency and tread life, and may affect the vehicles handling and stopping ability.**

**Please note that the TPMS is not a substitute for proper tire maintenance, and it is the driver's responsibility to maintain correct tire pressure, even if underinflation has not reached the level to trigger illumination of the TPMS low tire pressure telltale.**

The following paragraph is required for all vehicles certified on September 1, 2007 and later, and for vehicles voluntarily equipped with a compliant TPMS Malfunction Indicator Lamp (MIL) before that time.

**Your vehicle has also been equipped with a TPMS malfunction indicator to indicate when the system is not operating properly.**

For vehicles with a dedicated MIL telltale (add):

***The TPMS malfunction indicator is provided by a separate telltale, which displays the symbol "TPMS" when illuminated.***

For vehicles with a combined low pressure warning/MIL telltale (add):

***The TPMS malfunction indicator is combined with the low tire pressure telltale. When the system detects a malfunction, the telltale will flash for approximately one minute and then remain continuously illuminated. This sequence will continue upon subsequent vehicle start-ups as long as the malfunction exists.***

**When the malfunction indicator is illuminated, the system may not be able to detect or signal low tire pressure as intended. TPMS malfunctions may occur of a variety of reasons, including the installation of replacement or alternate tires or wheels on the vehicle that prevent the TPMS from functioning properly. Always check the TPMS malfunction indicator after replacing one or more tires or wheels on your vehicle to ensure that the replacement or alternate tires and wheels allow the TPMS to continue to function properly.**