

## Continental launches new regional trailer tire with 3PMSF marking for wintry conditions

- **Tire part of new "trailer strategy" for robust trailer tires focused on different requirements in Europe, Middle East and Africa**
- **Conti Hybrid HT3 HL featuring higher load index with new pictogram on sidewall**

Hanover, February 6, 2020. With the new Conti Hybrid HT3 WR (Winter Regional), the technology company and manufacturer of premium tires Continental is launching a new regional tire specially developed for truck trailers to meet the requirements in wintry conditions. The new Conti Hybrid HT3 WR is available in size 385/65 R 22.5 and impresses both in terms of traction and robustness, outstanding fuel efficiency, and high mileage in both regional and long-distance transport. The tire bears the three-peak mountain snowflake (3PMSF) symbol. Tires with this certification must pass a standard practical test defined by UN regulation 117 and exhibit suitability for winter use on snowy roads in a braking and traction comparison test.

### **Strategy focuses on trailer tires for specific regional requirements**

The Conti Hybrid HT3 WR belongs to a series of new trailer tires which Continental has developed as special extensions to the proven Conti Hybrid HT3 trailer tire range to meet the particular requirements of the various markets within Europe, the Middle East and Africa (EMEA). The tires, namely the Conti Hybrid HT3 SR (Severe Regional) for the countries in Southern and Western Europe and South Africa and the Conti Hybrid HT3 ED (Extra Duty) for Turkey and North Africa will be launched this year. Moreover, the 385/65 R 22.5 HTR2 XL is currently also being relaunched as the 385/65 R 22.5 Conti Hybrid HT3 HL (High Load) and will feature a new pictogram with the letters "HL" and a weight with the inscription "High Load". Furthermore, the suffix "HL" replaces the previous designation "XL" and stands for a higher load index (LI) of 164, meaning 5 tons per tire. In accordance with the EU tire label values, the Conti Hybrid HT3 WR is rated "C" in terms of fuel efficiency and has two sound waves indicating the tire noise level. The Conti Hybrid HT3 HL is rated "B" in terms of fuel efficiency and has one sound wave. Both tires are rated "B" for wet grip.

"We want to offer our customers the right tires to meet the needs of their individual applications and mission profiles," explains Benjamin Bartsch, Product Manager & Field Specialist for Truck Tires in Continental's business region Europe, Middle East & Africa (EMEA).

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Tires	Load index	Application	Key markets
Conti Hybrid HT3	160	Regional use	Europe
Conti Hybrid HT3 HL	164	Regional use	Europe
Conti Hybrid HT3 SR	160	Heavy regional use	Southern and Western Europe, South Africa
Conti Hybrid HT3 ED	164	Regional use for overloads	North Africa, Russia, Turkey
Conti Hybrid HT3 WR	160	Regional use with 3PMSF symbol	Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Scandinavia

In addition to the Conti Hybrid HT3 WR, Continental also offers special MPT tires (Multi Purpose Tires) for use on municipal and agricultural vehicles, which are also permitted for road use in wintry conditions in Germany. Further information is available here (German only):

<https://www.continental.com/de/presse/pressemitteilungen/2020-01-13-winterreifenpflicht-206498>

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The **Business Area Tires** has 24 production and development locations worldwide. Continental is one of the leading tire manufacturers with around 56,000 employees and posted sales of €11.4 billion in 2018 in this business area. Continental ranks among the technology leaders in tire production and offers a broad product range for passenger cars, commercial and special vehicles, as well as two-wheelers. Through continuous investment in Research & Development, Continental makes a major contribution to safe, cost-effective and ecologically efficient mobility. The portfolio of the Business Area Tires includes services for the tire trade and for fleet applications, as well as digital management systems for tires.

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