

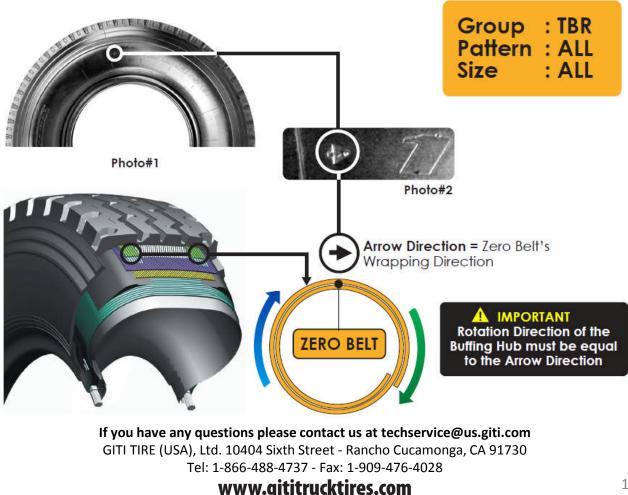
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Background:

Some Giti tires are built using the zero belt construction method. The four steel bellt package consists of two narrow (double wrapped) steel belts that cover each edge of the second and third belts. An arrow stamped in the sdiewall (Photo #2) indicates the direction of the belt wrapping.





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Advantages of the Zero Belt package:

Excellent belt edge adhesion to the casing, improved tire handling, overall weight reduction, reduction of heat generation, improved overall tire life and increased retreadability.

Recommendation of Buffing for Retreading:

In order to prevent the buffing blades from coming in contact with the but-end of the wrapped zero belt package, in case the buffing blades go to deep and hit the zero belt package, the casing should be mounted on the buffing hub so that the direction of the rotation of the buffing hub will be equal to the direction shown by the arrow. By doing this you will prevent potential damage to the buffer by the belt wrapping.

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