

# Mounting Wrong Tires on Rims

Several workers have been injured recently because they mistakenly put 16.5" tires on 16" rims. The excess air pressure caused the tires to pop their beads. In each case, the rim was not locked onto the tire machine and the rim and tire exploded up and out with enough force to cause a broken arm and send a tire and rim into the gyproc ceiling. These accidents could have been fatalities.

## Employers and Workers

- Ensure you are aware of the hazards of not matching tire and rim sizes.
- Always lock the rims on the tire machine.

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