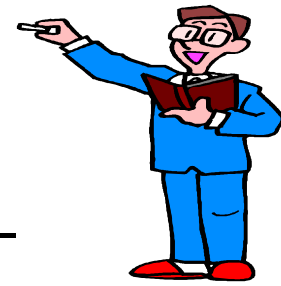


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## Subject : Toyo Proxes T1-S Continuously Proves its Superiority in Car Magazine Tests

The Proxes T1-S maintains its well reputed handling performance in recent tire tests conducted by respected car magazines in Holland and the United Kingdom. Following are the results.



- Magazine : Autovisie ( Holland )  
 Tire Size : 225/45ZR17  
 Test Vehicle : Opel Vectra 2.2i  
 Test Course : Goodyear Test Course (France)



### Overall Test Result :

(shown as a performance index. The higher the score, the better the tire performed).

Evaluation Item	Brand & Pattern					
	Toyo Px T1-S	Goodyear New Eagle F1	Dunlop SP9090	Pirelli Nero	Vredestein Ultrac	Michelin Sport
Wet Braking	94.1	100.0	97.9	94.9	87.8	86.8
Wet Handling	110.0	107.0	106.0	102.0	109.0	100.0
Aquaplaning	96.8	100.0	97.0	91.1	94.1	92.0
Wet Circle	106.0	104.0	103.0	100.0	103.0	101.0
Wet Total	406.9	411.0	403.9	388.0	393.9	379.8
Dry Handling	107.0	104.0	100.0	105.0	102.0	110.0
Steering Precision*	8.0	7.5	6.0	9.0	6.0	9.5
Stability at Critical Area*	9.0	7.5	8.5	8.5	8.0	6.0
Overall score	530.9	530.0	518.4	510.5	509.9	505.3
<b>Overall Ranking</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>

\*Subjective evaluation (On a scale of 1 ~ 10, with 10 being best).

The Proxes T1-S outperformed all competitors, including newly introduced models from other manufacturers. The T1-S maintained, without compromise, its highly balanced wet and dry performance capabilities.

The magazine commented that the Toyo Proxes T1-S has been well known for its excellent wet performance, but now if you are looking for all round performance tyre, the Toyo Proxes T1-S is also your best choice.

2. Magazine : EVO ( United Kingdom )  
 Test Size : 215/45ZR17  
 Test Vehicle : Ford Focus ST170s  
 Test Course : Goodyear Test Course (France)



**Overall Test Result :**

(shown as a performance index. The higher the score, the better the tire performed).

Evaluation Item		Max. Avail. Score	Gdyr New F1	Conti Sport Cont.	Toyo Proxes T1-S	Pir P7000	MIn SPORT	Dlp S9000	Bst S03	Avon ZZ3
Road Route	Sub.	2,250	1,690	1,708	<b>1,548</b>	1,873	1,481	1,448	1,398	1,708
Dry Handling	Sub.	750	642	750	<b>636</b>	680	653	593	651	643
	Obj.	1,000	810	690	<b>710</b>	760	690	440	740	600
Wet Handling	Sub.	750	690	644	<b>750</b>	604	556	707	430	577
	Obj.	1,000	690	810	<b>770</b>	560	470	870	430	660
Dry Braking	Obj.	750	750	714	<b>738</b>	726	702	714	750	702
Wet Braking	Obj.	750	750	650	<b>700</b>	233	648	683	733	300
Dry Lateral G.	Obj.	750	702	686	<b>734</b>	686	734	686	750	718
Wet Lateral G.	Obj.	750	750	667	<b>722</b>	611	611	750	583	611
Dry Slalom	Obj.	750	564	644	<b>679</b>	750	688	378	723	608
Tire Wear	Obj.	500	451	451	<b>347</b>	500	451	354	417	354
<b>Overall Score</b>		<b>10,000</b>	<b>8,489</b>	<b>8,414</b>	<b>8,334</b>	<b>7,983</b>	<b>7,684</b>	<b>7,623</b>	<b>7,605</b>	<b>7,481</b>

As shown on the above table, the Proxes T1-S performed impressively in the test with high scores obtained in most objective evaluations. In the wet and dry categories, the Proxes T1-S was ranked overall the 3rd best brand against strong competition.

The magazine commented that the dry performance of Proxes T1-S was a surprise, especially considering its superior wet handling performance.

Since its introduction in 1999, Proxes T1-S has been evaluated by many car magazines in Europe, and has always exhibited excellent wet and dry performance.

According to our dealer surveys in Germany, Holland and the U.K., they all point out the outstanding handling capabilities in both wet and dry conditions of the Proxes T1-S, together with its unique (or sexy, someone claimed) V-shape tread design, as the key for the success of the tyre.

Recognized as one of the best performance tires in the market, the Proxes T1-S's 18 inch sizes were selected as Original Equipment for the most luxury TVR sport models, and the 15 inch sizes for the exotic DONKERVOORT model.