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### [54] TIRE TREAD

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The ornamental design for a tire tread, as shown and described.

#### DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a perspective view taken from a first side of a tire tread showing my new tire tread design, it being understood that the tread pattern is repeated over the outer circumference of the tire and tread shoulder;

FIG. 2 is a perspective view taken from a second side of the tire tread showing the new tire tread design of FIG. 1, it being understood that the tread pattern is repeated over the outer circumference of the tire and shoulder;

FIG. 3 is a perspective view taken from a first side of a tire tread showing an alternate embodiment of my new tire tread design, it being understood that the tread pattern is repeated over the outer circumference of the tire and tread shoulder; and,

FIG. 4 is a perspective view taken from a second side of the tire tread showing the alternate embodiment of the new tire tread design of FIG. 3, it being understood that the tread pattern is repeated over the outer circumference of the tire and shoulder.

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The tire bead and sidewall are shown in broken lines for illustrative purposes only and form no part of the claimed tire tread design.

#### 1 Claim, 4 Drawing Sheets





Fig. 1

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Fig. 3

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Fig. 4

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