

Wheels: A reader asks, “Could you please tell me why a patch is better than a plug to repair a nail puncture on a radial tire? Also, what harm can a plug repair cause? Can a patch repair be made on a tire that was previously plugged?”

Halderman: A plug can cause air to get into the plies of the tire, whereas a patch will seal the opening. You can use a patch by removing the plug first and then installing the patch using the recommended procedure.

