

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements (Form S-8 Nos. 33-52505 and 333-84805) pertaining to the Pre-Tax Savings Plan (Bowling Green – Sealing) of Cooper Tire & Rubber Company of our report dated June 7, 2001, with respect to the financial statements and schedule of the Cooper Tire & Rubber Company Pre-Tax Savings Plan (Bowling Green – Sealing) included in this Annual Report (Form 11-K) for the year ended December 31, 2000.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP  
ERNST & YOUNG LLP

Toledo, Ohio  
June 25, 2001