

**STATEMENT** 

## **Vittoria Corsa Speed Recommended Use**

To: Distributors, Resellers and Retailers

**Taichung (Taiwan) - 5 October 2016** – Vittoria highlights that its Corsa Speed tire is a competition tire, designed for the purpose of minimum rolling resistance as the name implies. Amongst its unique properties is the ability to mount this tire tubeless. Vittoria's Corsa Speed is independently measured as the fastest road racing tire in the world (source: Wheel Energy, Finland), making it the tire of choice for time trials.

## **No Compromise**

Vittoria has made no compromise to develop the unrivaled fastest tire for the road. This requires several sacrifices to the construction of this specific product:

- **Punctures**; The cotton Corespun casing has the highest TPI (320) for the suppleness, needed for perfect high-speed cornering. The Corsa Speed does not have significant puncture protection features to avoid any impact on rolling resistance.
- **Durability**; The G+ Isotech (Graphene-enhanced) rubber compound is strong and rolls extremely well. For racing, less is more, meaning that only a thin layer of rubber is used for the optimal speed. Rolling resistance improves significantly with this measure, but the durability is of course impacted. Tire wear strongly depends on rider weight, ride style, road surface etc.
- **Surface/Weather**; Vittoria's Corsa Speed is designed for the best of circumstances. Using this product on dirty, poor roads or in wet weather conditions is strongly discouraged.

## **Perfect Match**

In 2014, Vittoria launched wheels to offer a perfect match between its tires and the wheels they are mounted on, also to compensate for the lack of standards and regulations regarding wheel products. This remains a challenge in the cycling industry today, making it impossible to test our tires with all third party wheels in the market. Vittoria guarantees a perfect match with its own wheels and has tested many popular wheel brands with its Corsa Speed prior to launch. Your attention is needed:

- Wheel Quality; There are wheels in the market with deviating dimensions due to the lack of standards. Bicylce shops and/or riders mounting the Corsa Speed should always pay very close attention to ensure the tire is seated properly and stays in place effortlessly. A poor tire-wheel match can cause unusual wear, punctures and even dislodgement.
- **Carbon**; This material is very strong, but also very sharp. Poorly designed wheels have sharp edges that can easily cut a tire. Vittoria has placed a chafer in the Corsa Speed to avoid such damage, but bicycle shops and/or riders should still be vigilant in checking such sharp edges.



Pressure; Tubeless setups generally use significant tire pressure. Vittoria strongly
recommends bicycle shops and/or riders to check the safety limits of their (carbon) wheels
and to never exceed the recommended tire pressure.

Vittoria's Corsa Speed (in tubular and open tubular option) is a specialty product. In its design and development no compromise was made to ensure the ultimate rolling resistance on the road.

Using this product as intended (only) is critical for a positive end-user experience.