

Race tyres just don't work without warmers



## Oxford Tyre Warmers LCD 3-Setting £199.99

'Great for tyres... and your head'

Tested by Michael Neeves for 18 months



Without heat in racing tyres, they don't work and it's not even worth venturing out on track.

You only have to see how riders leave it to the last possible minute before taking their warmers off to realise how important they are for performance... and your head. I've been using these Oxford warmers on my BMW S1000RR racer and they've never left me out in the cold. Hook and loop fasteners make them quick and easy to fit and they come with a handy LCD display and three heat settings: 95°C, 80°C and 60°C (for wets). They're designed for a 200/55 x 17 rear, but they just about fit the latest size 200/65 Pirelli slick I use. They're at the expensive end but well worth it.

Quality ★★★★★ Value ★★★★★  
www.oxfordproducts.com

18 MONTHS

### PROS & CONS

- + Quick and easy to attach and have heat settings
- They are at the more pricey end of the market

TWO WEEKS



XCP Rust Blocker Clear Coat £16 (500ml bottle)

'It's a forcefield against salt'

Tested by Martin Fitz-Gibbons for two weeks



XCP's Rust Blocker is arguably the top anti-corrosion spray on the market, out-performing even ACF-50 in several independent tests. Problem is, while Rust Blocker is phenomenally good at blocking rust, it's also thicker, stickier and gloopier than ACF, and can leave something of a treacly, yellow tinge. So XCP have now developed this thinner, more transparent alternative,

named Clear Coat. Sure enough, it applies much more cleanly and forms a virtually invisible layer. To assess its effectiveness, I ran an aggressive salt-spray test using mild steel plates, comparing this new-fangled Clear Coat to trusty ACF-50 and original Rust Blocker. The result: Clear Coat easily beat ACF-50 and offered nearly the same superb protection as Rust Blocker. An impressive potion that really does seem to live up to its claims.

Quality ★★★★★ Value ★★★★★  
www.xcp-protection.com



Weise Vision jacket £49.99

'Not a hint of yellow'

Tested by Michael Guy for six months, 4000 miles



With age, comes wisdom... apparently. And over the years my desire to wear dark colours and

be as incognito as possible has been replaced with being keen to be seen. I have however resisted the desire to don fluoro yellow clothing, which is why the Weise Vision over-jacket has been a welcome addition. Made from highly reflective material it lights up spectacularly the moment any light is shone directly on it. It also acts as a good additional layer, which helps wind chill and while it's not 100% waterproof it does a good job of keeping the majority of the elements at bay when worn over your usual bike jacket.

Quality ★★★★★ Value ★★★★★  
www.weiseclothing.com

4000 MILES

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TOP FIVE  
SPORTY LIDS



1 LS2 Arrow Carbon Evo

£289.99-£329.99

Has a huge visor aperture and the visors are easy to change. I've done around 20,000 miles and the lining hasn't lost shape. Andy Taylor, Essex

2 HJC RPHA 11  
£329.99-£499.99

Dead light and comfortable. It's let down by the visor lock though, I went through 7-8 visors. Mike Brown, Stoke



3 Arai RX-7V  
£669.99-£875

I got this after an RX-7 GP and the venting has been significantly improved and it's seriously plush. Phil Stevens, Plymouth



4 AGV Corsa-R  
£599.99-£749.99

I've used this AGV for track and road riding and the best thing about it is the aerodynamics. Chris Edwards, Grimsby



5 Bell Race Star Flex  
£369.99-£649.99

It's not cheap, but the quality you get is absolutely brilliant. Patrick Collum, Watford



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