

# AutoShack Weekly Tip



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# Tire Pressure Monitoring System

Rim

Valve Stem

Valve Stem Cap

## IMPORTANCE OF YOUR VALVE STEM CAP

- Everything on your vehicle, big or small serves a purpose.
- Otherwise, manufacturers wouldn't go through the hassle of installing them because they add to production cost.
- One of the most ignored components is the valve stem cap.
- Some tire servicing outlets and customers don't even bother putting them back on after a tire service.
- As a result there are a lot of cars on the roads without valve stem caps.
- Tire Pressure Monitoring System (TPMS) is directly connected to the valve stem.
- The valve stem cap protects the TPMS and the inside of the valve stem from dust, debris and sharp objects.
- Absence of the valve stem cap may lead to TPMS and valve stem damage and this isn't a cheap repair.
- Not only will the TPMS have to be replaced, it will need to be programmed as well, racking up repair cost.

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