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MICHELIN TYRES TAKE KAVANAGH CRANE HIRE'S FLEET TO NEW HEIGHTS

- A trio of new Liebherr mobile cranes recently arrived at the business all specified on MICHELIN X Crane + fitments.
- Kavanagh Crane Hire now specifies all new fleet additions exclusively on Michelins.
- The MICHELIN X Crane + tyres are expected to clock-up around 60,000km.

Kavanagh Crane Hire has taken delivery of three new Liebherr mobile crane units all specified on ultra durable MICHELIN X Crane + tyres.

The business – which operates the largest crane fleet in Ireland – has been buying Michelins since it was established back in 1973 and now specifies all new vehicles exclusively on the manufacturer's premium fitments.

The trio of new Liebherr cranes – a compact LTC 1050-3.1, a 230-tonne LTM 1230-5.1 and 300-tonne LTM 1300-6.2 – will be used for a variety of work at construction sites and engineering projects across the whole of Ireland and into Scotland.

Paul Kavanagh, Director at Kavanagh Crane Hire, says: "In our experience the Michelin tyres can't be beaten for wear and longevity. The initial cost may be a little bit more but you get what you pay for and the total cost of ownership exceeds all other manufacturers.

"We have been fitting Michelins since my father started the business back in the 1970s and today we don't use anything else. We had seven new cranes join the fleet last year all fitted on the X Crane product and, in total,



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we will add another seven this year specified on Michelins as well. Typically, we'll be looking at getting around 50-60,000km out of each set."

The MICHELIN X Crane + is packed full of technologies that help to lower operating costs, while improving comfort and reliability. The latest generation sees an increase of up to 20 per cent wear life in comparison with its predecessor, thanks to a more resistant rubber compound in the tread.

Reliability is improved due to better resistance of the cables and a longer-lasting bead area. The tyres can also be regrooved when worn, reducing waste, and making them more environmentally friendly.

"These cranes are operating at extremely heavy weights, so we need a tyre that can stand up to that and that we know we can rely on," adds Kavanagh. "The Michelins handle the load very well, they wear better than any other tyre we've had and they perform better too."

Kavanagh Crane Hire is the largest crane supplier in Ireland operating from four strategically located depots throughout the country – in Carlow, Dublin, Wexford and Waterford. It has a fleet of more than 60 mobile cranes, ranging from a two-axle city crane to a 700-tonne all terrain machine.

About Michelin

Michelin's ambition is to sustainably improve its customers' mobility. The leader in the mobility sector, Michelin designs, manufactures, and distributes the tyres best suited to their requirements and uses as well as services and solutions to improve transport efficacy. With its offers Michelin allows its customers to enjoy unique moments when traveling.

Michelin also develops high-technology equipment intended for multiple fields. Based in Clermont-Ferrand, Michelin is present in 175 countries, employs 132,200 people and operates 67 tyre factories that, together, produced approximately 200 million tyres in 2022. (www.michelin.com)



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