

ARB Quick Tyre Deflator Tool report

If you are one of the many people who either work in rough off road conditions but travel on-road all the time, or if you are into beach exploration / fishing then you will know the importance of lowered tyre pressures for tread clearing and flotation improvement. And like me you will have spent a large amount of time squatting by your tyres as they slowly aired down thinking there must be a better way. Well there is.

If like me you're pretty fussy you will have found the Staun screw-on deflators slow and tend to vary in their performance. They're ok, but not the answer for me. When I first laid eyes on the ARB tool it was a revelation and I knew straight away I had to have one. Some pieces of kit are so simple and useful, and the ARB quick tyre deflator tool is one of these.

What is it and how does it work exactly? Like its name implies the tool is designed to quickly deflate a tyre for off road use. It incorporates a quality gauge so pressures can be precisely controlled during the process.

The quickest way to deflate a tyre is to remove the valve, but doing so with a standard valve tool is a recipe to have the valve nip past your fingers like a missile to be lost on the ground behind you!!! Then getting the valve back in while keeping some degree of air volume control is a guessing game.

The Tyre deflator tool works by removing the valve in a controlled environment and containing it ready for quick re-installation once a desired pressure is reached. Once the valve is removed the gauge gives an accurate pressure reading, the air can be bled off very quickly and pressure readings taken at intervals until the desired pressure is reached. The air flow is held in check while the valve is re-seated. Precision work that really does take the pain and time out of the game meaning I can get onto the beach, or up the farm now, not half an hour later. Means more time fishing for me and that's reason enough.



These tools are not cheap, and neither should they be when you look at their construction. Solid brass fittings and quality air pressure gauge protected by a rubber surround. I've now been using my one for three years commercially and it is as good today as it was when I got it. I use no other method to deflate my tyres now.



A tip. The tool has a slider segment that allows the tool to alternate between deflating the tyre and reading the pressure. This segment has "O" rings to seal in the air. These "O" rings benefit from some silicon lube from time to time. Other maintenance? Nothing apart from keeping it in its little bag it comes in. If you're serious about using good kit then go get yourself one of these.