

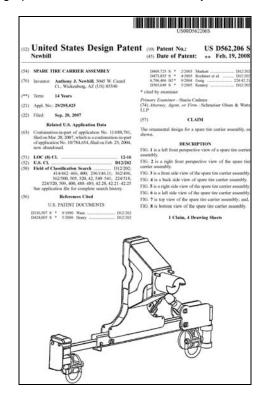
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(April 4, 2008 – Medina, Ohio) Rhino Industries, the leader in Drop Down Spare Tire Carriers, has just been awarded U.S. Patent D562,206 on their most recent tire carrier design.

"Drop Down Spare Tire Carriers are getting a lot of attention lately as automotive OEM's continually look to improve vehicle ergonomics," said Dave Mueller, president of Rhino Industries, Inc. "This most recent patent was based on our 2nd generation H2 tire carrier design. It's a drop in replacement for the factory tire carrier except that our design provides additional functionality."



The Drop Down Spare Tire Carrier is a patented spare tire carrier that raises and lowers a tire in excess of 165 lbs with an electric or manual actuator. It is designed to swing out 180-degrees in order to access the rear of a vehicle without obstruction.

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