

Here are my notes on 13" tire sizes as follows...

165/R13 + Stock on all '02s save the Turbos. The only size tire that will fit in the spare tire well, unless you build up the walls like a 2002Turbo or weld up a deeper well.

175/70-13: -3.2% Rather short for an '02 and looks that way on the car. There are just no proper height 175 13" tires made for '02s.

185/70-13: -.08% Perfect +0 fitment on all stock '02 wheels and most aftermarket up to 6.5" wide. Getting hard to find tires in this size, but the preferred period/vintage upgrade. Most offsets from et20 to et30 will fit these tires. These do fit 5.5" et18 E21 wheels on most '02s with a bit of fender rolling. Stock on 2002 Turbos.

195/60-13: -5.0% WAY to short on an '02 and looks that way. Big changes in speedometer readout! Looks "OK" on a radically lowered car.

205/60-13: -3.0% The preferred WIDE 13" street tire size. Great for that vintage autocross look. Fitment for minimum of 5.5" to 7" wide wheels. et25 works best. Do usually require fender lip rolling. These look best on lowered cars. There just weren't any 205/65-13 tires ever made... Theoretically they would be +.04%, oh well.

There are many wider, shorter 13" Racing tire sizes but those are not recommended for regular street use.