

INSIDE VEHICLE

GENERAL MAINTENANCE

Performing the following maintenance checks on the vehicle is the owner's responsibility. The owner may perform the maintenance or take the vehicle to a service center. Check the parts of the vehicle described below on a daily basis. In most cases, special tools are not required. It is recommended that the owner performs these checks. The procedures for general maintenance are as follows.

1. GENERAL NOTES

- Maintenance requirements vary depending on the country.
- Check the maintenance schedule in the owner's manual supplement.
- Following the maintenance schedule is mandatory.
- Determine the appropriate time to service the vehicle using either miles driven or months elapsed, whichever reaches the specification first.
- Maintain similar intervals between periodic maintenance, unless otherwise noted.
- Failing to check each vehicle part could lead to poor engine performance and increase exhaust emissions.

2. LIGHTS

- (a) Check that the headlights, stop lights, taillights, turn signal lights, and other lights illuminate or blink properly. Also, check if they have enough brightness.
- (b) Check that the headlights are aimed properly.

3. WARNING LIGHTS AND BUZZERS

- (a) Check that all the warning lights and buzzers are working.

4. HORNS

- (a) Check that the horn is working.

5. WINDSHIELD GLASS

- (a) Check for scratches, pits or abrasions.

6. WINDSHIELD WIPERS AND WASHER

- (a) Check that the windshield washers are aimed properly. Also, check that the center stream of washer fluid sprays on the windshield within the operating range of the wipers.
- (b) Check if the wipers streak or not.

7. WINDSHIELD DEFROSTER

- (a) When the heater or air conditioning is on the defroster setting, check if air comes out of the defroster outlet.

8. REAR VIEW MIRROR

- (a) Check that the rear view mirror is securely mounted.

9. SUN VISORS

- (a) Check that the sun visors move freely and are securely mounted.

10. STEERING WHEEL

- (a) Check that the steering wheel has the proper amount of free play. Also check for steering difficulty, free play in the steering wheel and unusual noises.

11. SEATS

- (a) Check that all front seat controls such as seat adjusters, seatback recliner, etc. operate smoothly.
- (b) Check that all latches lock securely in any position.
- (c) Check that the headrests move up and down smoothly and that the locks hold securely in any latch position.
- (d) For folding-down rear seatbacks, check that the latches lock securely.

12. SEAT BELTS

- (a) Check that the seat belt system such as the buckles, retractors and anchors operate properly and smoothly.
- (b) Check that the belt webbing is not cut, frayed, worn or damaged. Replace if necessary.

13. ACCELERATOR PEDAL

- (a) Check that the accelerator pedal operates smoothly. In other words, check that the pedal does not have uneven pedal resistance or become stuck in certain positions.

14. BRAKE PEDAL

- (a) Check that the brake pedal operates smoothly.
- (b) Check that the pedal has the proper reserve distance and free play.
- (c) Start the engine and check the brake booster function.

15. BRAKES

- (a) In a safe place, check that the vehicle remains straight when applying the brakes.

16. PARKING BRAKE

- (a) Check that the parking brake lever has the proper amount of travel (see page [PB-4](#)).
- (b) On a safe incline, check that the vehicle is held securely with only the parking brake applied.

17. AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION "PARK" MECHANISM

- (a) Check the lock release button of the shift lever for proper and smooth operation.
- (b) When the shift lever is in the P position and all brakes are released on a low incline, check that the vehicle is stable.