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**BMW 3-Series 320i & 320xi (12-14), 325i, 325xi, 330i & 330xi (06) & 328i & 328xi (07-14) Haynes Online Manual**

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# 1 Maintenance schedule

The service intervals are tailored according to the operating conditions, driving style, time elapsed and mileage covered, instead of set distance/time limits. These factors are taken into account, and the maintenance requirements are calculated by the vehicle's on-board systems, then a symbol representing the item requiring attention is displayed in the instrument cluster. The urgency of the attention is indicated by a color-coding system - green, yellow or red. Consequently, the intervals listed below are guidelines, starting values/interval forecasts, or our recommendations. For more details, refer to the owner's manual supplied with the vehicle.

When the vehicle is new, it should be serviced by a dealer service department (or other shop recognized by the vehicle manufacturer as providing the same standard of service) in order to preserve the warranty. The vehicle manufacturer may reject warranty claims if you are unable to prove that servicing has been carried out properly and when specified, using only original equipment parts or parts certified to be of equivalent quality. In many cases, the initial maintenance check at the dealer is done at no cost to the owner.

The models covered in this manual have an on-board maintenance reminder system called Condition-Based Service (CBS) that stores information on various vehicle sensors, and displays warnings if necessary. For instance, if you are low on engine oil, a warning will come up on the display below the speedometer. To check an item monitored by the CBS system, toggle the small lever Up or Down on the turn signal lever, until the icon for the desired information is displayed, then press the square button on the lever to activate the system (see [Section 4](#) ).

## Resetting the CBS

The reset feature of the CBS system allows the computer to record the mileage at which you have performed a scheduled maintenance task such as an oil change. This insures the accuracy of the reminders the system displays when a scheduled task is due. See [Section 30](#) for the resetting procedure.

## I-Drive Information/Control system

Many models are equipped with an on-board program called I-Drive, which combines a number of functions formerly controlled by separate switches. I-Drive features a head-up LCD display at the center of the instrument panel that includes menu items such as: Climate Control, Communication, Entertainment, and Navigation. On the floor console is a knob and a menu button (just behind the shifter in the floor console) that operates the controller, with which the driver can call up various functions. One of the functions is called Central Information Display (CID), which will display the CBS maintenance information formerly seen in smaller view on the

instrument panel of previous models. On 2009 and later models, this system has been upgraded, and renamed to the Car Information Computer (CIC) system.

## Every 250 miles or weekly, whichever comes first

Check the engine oil level ( [Section 4](#) )

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Check the engine coolant level ( [Section 4](#) )

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Check the brake and clutch fluid level ( [Section 4](#) )

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Check the windshield washer fluid level ( [Section 4](#) )

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Check the power steering fluid level ( [Section 4](#) )

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Check the tires and tire pressures ( [Section 5](#) )

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## Every 7500 miles or 6 months, whichever comes first

All items listed above plus:

Change the engine oil and oil filter ( [Section 6](#) )\*

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### Note:

This service interval is based on the CBS (Condition Based Service) system to monitor oil condition and display oil change information. However, under no circumstances should the oil change interval exceed 7,500 miles.

Inspect (and replace, if necessary) the windshield wiper blades ( [Section 7](#) )

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Check and service the battery ( [Section 8](#) )

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Check the cooling system ( [Section 9](#) )

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Rotate the tires ( [Section 10](#) )

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Check the seat belts ( [Section 11](#) )

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## Every 15,000 miles or 12 months, whichever comes first

All items listed above plus:

Check all underhood hoses ( [Section 12](#) )

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Inspect the brake system ( [Section 13](#) )\*

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Inspect the suspension and steering components ( [Section 14](#) )\*

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Check the fuel system ( [Section 15](#) )

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Check the manual transmission lubricant level ( [Section 16](#) )

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Check the transfer case lubricant level (AWD models) ( [Section 17](#) )

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Check (and replace, if necessary) the cabin air filter ( [Section 18](#) )\*

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Check the driveaxle boots ( [Section 19](#) )

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Check the engine drivebelt ( [Section 20](#) )

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Check the exhaust system ( [Section 21](#) )

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Reset the service interval display ( [Section 1](#) )

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## Every 30,000 miles or 30 months, whichever comes first

All items listed above plus:

Change the brake fluid ( [Section 22](#) )\*

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Change the engine air filter ( [Section 23](#) )\*

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Reset the service interval display ( [Section 1](#) )

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## Every 60,000 miles or 48 months, whichever comes first

Replace the engine drivebelt ( [Section 20](#) )

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Change the transfer case lubricant (AWD models) ( [Section 24](#) )

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Change the differential lubricant ( [Section 25](#) )

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Change the automatic transmission fluid ( [Section 26](#) )\*

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Reset the service interval display ( [Section 1](#) )

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## Every 100,000 miles or 60 months, whichever comes first

### Note:

These items have no specific recommendation concerning their inspection or replacement. However, we consider it prudent to carry out these tasks at least every 4 years.

Flush the cooling system and replace the coolant ( [Section 27](#) )

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Replace the spark plugs ( [Section 28](#) )

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\*This item is affected by “severe” operating conditions as described below. If your vehicle is operated under “severe” conditions, perform all maintenance indicated with an asterisk (\*) at 3000 mile/3 month intervals. Severe conditions are indicated if you mainly operate your vehicle under one or more of the following conditions:

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- A. Operating in dusty areas
- B. Towing a trailer
- C. Idling for extended periods and/or low speed operation
- D. Operating when outside temperatures remain below freezing and when most trips are less than 4 miles

**\*\* If operated under one or more of the following conditions, change the manual or automatic transmission fluid and differential lubricant every 15,000 miles:**

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- A. In heavy city traffic where the outside temperature regularly reaches 90-degrees F (32-degrees C) or higher
- B. In hilly or mountainous terrain

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