

### **Sudden start restraint control (Drive-Start Control [DSC])**

When the following unusual operation is performed with the accelerator pedal depressed, the engine output may be restrained.

- When the shift lever is shifted to R\*.
- When the shift lever is shifted from P or R to forward drive shift position such as D\*.

When the system operates, a message appears on the multi-information display. Read the message and follow the instruction.

\*: Depending on the situation, the shift position may not be changed.

#### **■ When starting off on a uphill**

The hill-start assist control will activate. (→P. 323)

#### **■ Driving in the rain**

- Drive carefully when it is raining, because visibility will be reduced, the windows may become fogged-up, and the road will be slippery.
- Drive carefully when it starts to rain, because the road surface will be especially slippery.
- Refrain from high speeds when driving on an expressway in the rain, because there may be a layer of water between the tires and the road surface, preventing the steering and brakes from operating properly.

#### **■ Engine speed while driving**

In the following conditions, the engine speed may become high while driving. This is due to automatic up-shifting control or down-shifting implementation to meet driving conditions. It does not indicate sudden acceleration.

- The vehicle is judged to be driving uphill or downhill
- When the accelerator pedal is released

#### **■ Restraining the engine output (Brake Override System)**

- When the accelerator and brake pedals are depressed at the same time, the engine output may be restrained.
- A warning message is displayed on the multi-information display while the system is operating.

#### **■ Drive-Start Control (DSC)**

When the TRAC is turned off (→P. 325), sudden start restraint control also does not operate. If your vehicle have trouble escaping from the mud or fresh snow due to sudden start restraint control operation, deactivate TRAC (→P. 325) so that the vehicle may become able to escape from the mud or fresh snow.