INSIDE VEHICLE

GENERAL MAINTENANCE

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Performing these 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 perform 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 time (month) elapsed, whichever reaches the specification first.
- Maintain similar intervals between periodic maintenance unless noted.
- Failing to check each vehicle part could lead to poor engine performance and increase exhaust emissions.

2. LIGHTS

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

3. WARNING LIGHTS AND BUZZERS

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

4. HORN

(a) Check if the horn is working.

5. WINDSHIELD GLASS

(a) Check for scratches, pits or abrasions.

6. WINDSHIELD WIPER AND WASHER

- (a) Check if the wind washers are aimed properly. Also, check if the washer fluid hits the center of the operating rage of each wiper on the windshield.
- (b) Check if the wipers streak or not.

7. WINDSHIELD DEFROSTER

(a) When the heater or air conditioner is on the defroster setting, check if air comes out of the defroster

8. REAR VIEW MIRROR

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

9. SUN VISORS

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

10. STEERING WHEEL

(a) Check if the steering wheel has the proper freeplay. Also check for steering difficulty, freeplay in the steering wheel and unusual noises.

11. SEATS

- (a) Check if the seat adjusters, seatback recliner and other front seat controls operate smoothly.
- (b) Check if all the latches lock securely in all positions.
- (c) Check if the locks hold securely in all latched positions.
- (d) Check if the head restraints move up and down smoothly and if the locks hold securely in all latched positions.
- (e) When the rear seatbacks are folded down, check if 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 if the belt webbing is not cut, frayed, worn or damaged. Replace if neccessary.

13. ACCELERATOR PEDAL

- (a) Check the pedal for smooth operation, uneven pedal effort and catching.
- 14. CLUTCH PEDAL (See page 42–7)
- (a) Check the pedal for smooth operation.
- (b) Check if the pedal has the proper freeplay.
- 15. BRAKE PEDAL (See page 32-14)
- (a) Check the pedal for smooth operation.
- (b) Check if the pedal has the proper reserve distance and freeplay.
- (c) Start the engine and check the brake booster function.
- 16. BRAKES
- (a) In a safe place, check if the vehicle remains straight when applying the brakes.
- 17. PARKING BRAKE (See page 33-2)
- (a) Check that the lever has the proper range of motion.
- (b) On a low incline, check if the parking brake alone can stabilize the vehicle.
- 18. AUTOMATIC TRANSAXLE "PARK" MECHANISM
- (a) Check the lock release button of the selector lever for proper and smooth operation.
- (b) On a low incline, check if the parking brake alone can satabilize the vehicle.