

Extended Pre-Trip Inspection

Taking the time to do a more thorough inspection can help ensure a safe and hassle-free trip or vacation

1. Check your fluids: Wiper fluid, coolant, brake, transmission, oil. A complete list can be found in the vehicle's owner's manual
2. Check the date of your last oil change, make sure your vehicle won't be due for a change during your trip
3. Consider having your battery tested. Changes in the weather can be hard on a battery, especially cold weather.
4. Check your cabin air filter. Remember that all air from the vents flows through the cabin air filter, consider changing the filter if there is excess debris or dust
5. Check your lights: Headlights, brights, brake lights, blinkers. This may be easier with a friend or family member.
6. Inspect windshield wiper blades for cracks or tares.
7. Check for outstanding safety recalls for your vehicle. This information is available online or at a reputable mechanic or dealership
8. Locate your spare tire and make sure it is good working order and that the jack is present and works

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