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hand pushes Cruise control buttons on modern car and speed limitation

# Are you using your cruise control correctly?

Cruise control does more than give your foot a rest during long road trips. It also helps prevent heavy-footed drivers from speeding. Are you using your cruise control the right way? Time to find out!

## When should you use cruise control?

Cruise control is beneficial when you're driving on highways and straight roads. It helps you maintain a constant speed,

which can save fuel and make for a more relaxed driving experience. However, it's best to avoid using cruise control on slopes. When your car is going uphill, the engine may struggle to maintain speed, leading to increased fuel consumption.

Additionally, steer clear of using cruise control on sharp bends. You must reduce your speed to maintain better control

of your vehicle.

## What road conditions should you be mindful of?

Cruise control doesn't automatically turn off in bad weather, so it's important to keep it switched off when you're driving on slippery roads. Avoid activating it on snowy, icy or wet surfaces.

If your wheels spin on an icy patch or your car starts hydroplaning,

cruise control may try to compensate for the loss of speed by accelerating. This can increase your risk of losing control and may cause an accident.

Make sure you use cruise control only in the right circumstances, including when traffic is light. Talk to your mechanic at your next service appointment to learn more about cruise control.



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# 5 types of anti-theft devices for your car

Vehicle security has evolved over the years. Unfortunately, so have strategies for stealing cars. It's therefore important to keep your car's anti-theft protection up to date. Here are some of the top security devices available.

## 1. Immobilizer

Immobilizers prevent cars from getting hot-wired by enabling them to start only when the vehicle's authorized key is within range. Immobilizers come standard with many but not all new cars. If your vehicle doesn't have an immobilizer, it's worth getting one installed. They're effective and affordable.

## 2. Steering wheel lock

Steering wheel locks aren't entirely foolproof. However, it takes a pretty skilled and determined criminal to remove one. In addition, a steering wheel lock may act as a deterrent, since would-be thieves are likely to think twice if they see one in your car.

## 3. Car alarm

Car alarms are meant to send thieves running. However, because they frequently go off accidentally, bystanders tend to pay them little attention. That said, they do represent an extra layer of security and can deter thieves in some cases.

## 4. Anti-theft marking

Anti-theft marking involves etching a unique serial number into the various components of your car. This makes it harder to sell your car's components on the black market and easier to catch thieves who do so.

## 5. GPS tracker

While it won't prevent your car from getting stolen, a GPS tracker can allow you to locate it. However, some tech-sav-



Anti-Theft Car Steering Wheel Lock. Black & red colors

vy thieves have discovered ways to outsmart car trackers, especially older devices, so make sure to get a newer, high-quality product.

Some other anti-theft devices are tire clamps, brake locks and key fob bags (which prevent signal hacking). To reduce the likelihood of your car getting stolen, your best bet is to use a combination of top anti-theft devices.



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# Car Maintenance...Does polishing your headlights really make a difference?

Winter is fast approaching! Is your car ready? If safety is important to you, you've probably already scheduled a pre-season inspection at a mechanic near you. If you're keeping a close eye on your budget, you may wonder whether certain tasks, like polishing your headlights, are worth the expense. Is it purely cosmetic, or is it useful? To help you make an informed decision, here are a few things to consider.

A question of safety  
Firstly, it's important to remember your car's headlights play two essential roles:

1. They allow you to see clearly when driving at night or dusk
2. They make you visible to other motorists

Have your headlights become dull or yellowed by ultraviolet (UV) rays? If so, they may have lost much of their effectiveness. This could put you at risk of being unable to spot obstacles in time during the winter or going unseen by another driver until it's too late. It's crucial to keep your headlights clear to avoid dangerous driving situations.

An inexpensive solution

If your headlights are cracked or deeply scratched, they must be replaced as soon as possible. However, if they just need a refresh, polishing is a cost-effective solution that can restore their shine and enhance the overall look of your vehicle. If you want, you can have your headlights professionally polished for less than \$100. You could also do the job yourself, preferably using a



Polishing the optics of car headlamps. Effect Before and after the effect of polishing

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Clear headlights improve visibility, promoting safer driving, especially during the winter months when darkness falls earlier. Keep this in mind for your upcoming winter driving prep.

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# 7 winter car care tips

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## 1. Wash your vehicle regularly

To remove calcium, prevent corrosion and avoid premature wear and tear, clean your car often.

## 2. Use the defrost function

If you remove ice from windshield wiper blades with an ice scraper, it can damage the rubber. Also, you should never pour hot water on your wipers because it may crack your windshield. Instead, use your car's defrost function to melt ice gradually.

## 3. Allow the engine to warm up

To prevent wear and tear on your engine's moving parts in winter, warm up the oil and other lubricants before driving

## 4. Check the tire pressure

Cold temperatures can cause tire pressure to drop, and driving on underinflated tires is a safety hazard. To prevent accidents, keep your tires inflated.

## 5. Top up your fuel tank

To prevent condensation from forming on the inside of your gas tank when it's cold out, you should keep it relatively full. If moisture makes its way into the fuel lines, you may have trouble starting your car.

## 6. Check the washer

### fluid

Using your windshield wipers without washer fluid can wear out the rubber or scratch your windshield. Always keep washer fluid levels high, and keep a spare jug of it

in your trunk.

## 7. Keep your wipers down

Lifting your wiper blades off your windshield when your car is parked has more drawbacks than benefits. Over

time, it can damage the springs in the wiper arms and make them less effective.

If you're concerned about the condition of your vehicle, make an appointment with your local mechanic.



Snow covered car window with wipers, macro, close up. Antifreeze was not used. Vehicles in snow. Winter time is coming. Bad weather conditions



Man filling a windshield washer tank of a car by antifreeze standing on winter Moscow street

# How to prevent car doors and locks from freezing

If the temperature suddenly plunges, it can cause the doors and locks on your vehicle to freeze. Here are some tips to help prevent this from happening to your car.

## Doors

Are the rubber seals around your doors cracked and worn? If so, replace them. You should also apply a rubber seal protectant to keep the material pliable. In addition, it's best to avoid washing your vehicle in cold weather and always dry it well. In extreme cold, cover your car with a tarp or close the door on a garbage bag to separate it from the chassis.

## Locks

Grease your locks with a liquid lubricant or glycerin. Avoid using WD-40, however, as it can clog your locks. It's also a good idea to keep a bottle of de-icer in your purse or coat pocket.

To avoid getting locked out of your vehicle in winter, make sure to prepare it for ice, snow and freezing temperatures.

## De-icing doors and locks

If you need to de-ice a car door,



Driver with face mask wearing rubber protective gloves wiping and spraying car door handle. Virus and bacteria prevention concept.

you'll need to apply pressure to the door or use a scraper to remove the ice. Next, use warm water, a commercial de-icer, an alcohol-based windshield washer fluid or a very small amount of isopropyl alcohol

on the seals.

To de-ice door locks, warm up your key and leave it in the lock for a few moments to melt the ice before turning it. You can also use a liquid lubricant or hairdryer.



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Repairing brakes on car

# What to do if your brakes are sticking

Do your brakes suddenly feel sticky while on the road? Does your vehicle want to pull to one side? Sticky brakes are no joke. Leaving the problem unaddressed can affect your ability to stop, prematurely wear down your brake pads and strain your transmission. Therefore, it's important to address this issue promptly. Here's what

you should do.

First, remain calm. If you notice your brakes sticking while driving, ease off the accelerator and gradually reduce your speed. Avoid slamming on the brakes, as this could make matters worse.

Next, find a safe place to pull over. Look for a wide shoulder, a parking lot or a quiet side street

where you can safely bring your vehicle to a stop. Once you've come to a stop, turn off the engine and let your brakes cool down.

Then, call a tow truck to bring you to a qualified mechanic. Driving with sticky brakes is dangerous and can further damage your car's braking system. While waiting for a lift, you can inspect

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# Which car parts should be lubricated before winter?

During winter, your vehicle can be affected in numerous ways by cold temperatures, ice, snow, slush, calcium and rain. These elements can lead to issues like corrosion and mold. Car experts suggest carrying out various maintenance tasks before winter to help prevent these problems from occurring. One of these tasks includes lubricating specific components.

What's the point of lubrication?

Lubrication serves

multiple purposes. For example, it prevents rust formation, keeps parts from jamming or rubbing together and improves sealing. Various types of lubricants are available for cars, including pastes and aerosol oils and greases. These products contain substances like silicone, Teflon and white lithium, which are perfect for ensuring the smooth operation of many parts of your vehicle.

Before the cold sets in, you should think about

lubricating the following parts:

- The window tracks. This will prevent the windows from opening with excessive force when icy.

- The hood latch. Come rain or shine, you want to be able to open the hood easily to add windshield washer fluid or recharge the battery, for example.

- The door locks. These openings are extremely susceptible to freezing in the winter, which may prevent the key from being inserted. Even if you

have a remote unlocking and locking system, remember that it's not infallible.

- The doors. Have you ever had to fight a frozen car door when you had to leave for work or an appointment? Avoid this unpleasant situation by carefully lubricating the hinges and seals.

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Electric car plug charging in the winter. Amsterdam, Netherlands

## Tips for maximizing the range of your electric vehicle this winter

During winter, electric vehicles (EVs) can lose up to 30 percent of their range due to the use of heaters and defrosters. To help you avoid stopping along the way, experts recommend planning a charge twice the distance you need to cover. These tips can also help you get through your daily commute without being affected by the cold.

- **Pre-warm your car.** Since cold weather affects battery performance, warm up your vehicle by plugging it into the charging port for at least 20 minutes before setting off. This simple step will warm up the battery, giving you a better range.

- **Use heated accessories.** Your car's heating system consumes a lot of energy and can considerably reduce your range. It's best to avoid using the heating system whenever possible and instead activate the heated seats and steering wheel to keep yourself warm, as

they consume less energy.

- **Check your tire pressure regularly.** Over- or under-inflated tires reduce your EV's range. Check your owner's manual for the recommended tire pressure and check your tires often to keep them in the optimum range.

- **Drive smoothly.** Aggressive driving reduces your range. Stay alert so you can anticipate maneuvers to accelerate and brake smoothly.

- **Park indoors.** Whenever possible, park your car out of the cold to ensure your battery stays charged at all times.

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## 3 reasons to make an appointment for a pre-winter car inspection

Do you own a car? As winter approaches, it's in your best interest to have your vehicle inspected by a professional. Here are three reasons to make an appointment today.

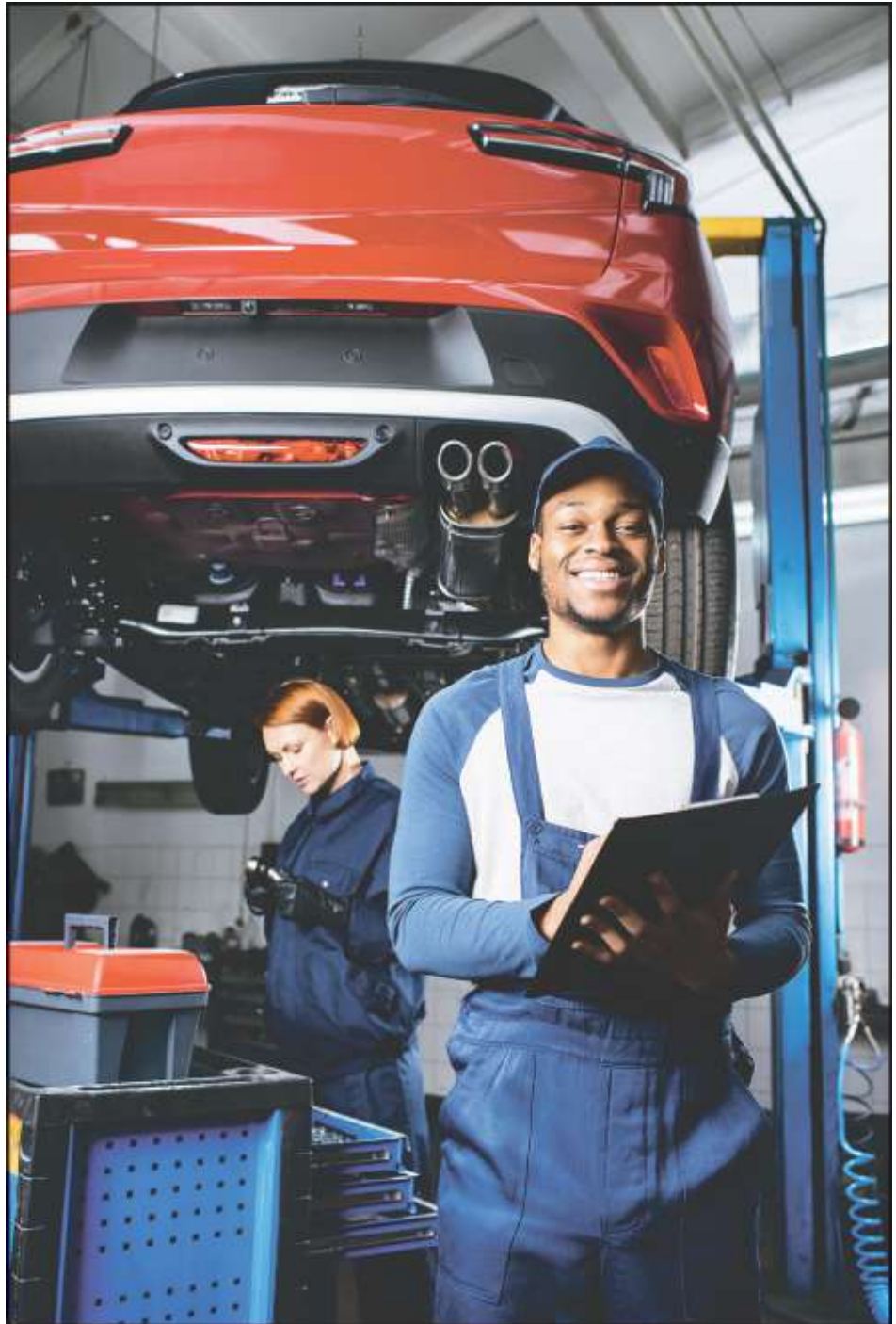
1. Because the timing is right. You can have your vehicle inspected at any time of year, but having a professional look over your car in the fall is recommended. You can pair it with installing your winter tires. The coming holiday season means you'll want your vehicle in excellent condition for year-end road trips to see relatives. Additionally, you'll have more money before the holidays than after.

2. Because an expert can spot hidden issues. Even if you know your car inside and out, it can develop hidden problems. Just because it runs smoothly now doesn't guarantee flawless performance through the winter.

Ensuring everything's in good working order helps prevent expensive repairs or a breakdown in frigid weather. Only an experienced mechanic has the skills and tools to spot and correct the slightest fault.

3. Because skipping an inspection can cost you lots of money. It's recommended to have your vehicle inspected twice a year, once in the spring and once in the fall. Detecting small problems early reduces repair costs and ensures your manufacturer warranty remains valid.

Finally, if you plan to sell your car, providing evidence of regular inspections and maintenance can help you get a higher price.



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