SEAT BELT LOCKING MECHANISM

The rear outer seat belts and front passenger seat belts have a locking mechanism which improves the retention of child seats.

The procedure to install a child seat is as follows:

- Place the child seat in the vehicle, attach
 the seat belt and secure the buckle in
 accordance with the manufacturer's fitting
 instructions.
- Pull on the shoulder section of the belt to unreel all of the remaining webbing to the limit of its travel. This will engage the automatic locking feature which then acts as a ratchet, only allowing the webbing to retract.
- Allow the seat belt to retract onto the child seat (a clicking sound will confirm that the ratchet has engaged) while firmly pushing the child seat into the vehicle seat.
- Ensure that there is no slack in the seat belt, by pulling upwards on the shoulder belt immediately above the child restraint.

When the child seat is removed and all of the seat belt webbing is allowed to retract, the seat belt locking mechanism reverts to normal operation.

SEAT BELT SAFETY



Care should be taken to avoid contamination of the webbing with polishes, oils and chemicals, and particularly battery acid. Cleaning may safely be carried out using mild soap and water.



The belt should be replaced if webbing becomes frayed, contaminated or damaged.



It is essential to replace the entire assembly after it has been worn in a severe impact even if damage to the assembly is not obvious.



If any damage, wear, cuts, defects, or impaired operation are noted with the seat belts, the vehicle should be taken to a Land Rover Dealer/Authorised Repairer for immediate attention. Do not use the vehicle if the seat belts cannot be operated correctly.



Do not carry hard, fragile, or sharp items between your person and the seat belt.



Seat belts should be worn by all vehicle occupants, for every journey no matter how short.



Never wear just the lap belt or just the shoulder belt of a lap/shoulder diagonal seat belt. Both of these actions are extremely dangerous and may increase your risk of injury.



When using seat belts to restrain items other than occupants, take care to ensure that the belts are not damaged, or exposed to sharp edges.

SEAT BELT CHECKS

Note: If the vehicle is parked on an incline, the seat belt mechanism may lock. This is not a fault and the belt should be gently eased out from the upper anchorage.

The seat belts should be inspected regularly to check for fraying, cuts, wear to the webbing and the condition and security of the mechanism, buckles, adjusters and mounting points.

 With the seat belt fastened, give the webbing near the buckle a quick upward pull. The buckle must remain securely locked.