Note: *Each gear has a pre-determined minimum speed.*

Descent speed will increase only when a slope is steep enough to provide additional momentum. Therefore, use of switch (**2**) on a gentle slope may not increase the speed.

If the brake pedal is depressed, HDC will be overridden and the brakes will operate as normal. When the brake pedal is released, HDC will resume control of the descent.

If HDC is switched off during a descent, HDC will fade out gradually. This is to prevent loss of control if HDC is switched off in error.

HDC will resume control when switched back on, at the standard default speed.

Do not attempt a steep descent if HDC is inoperative or warning messages are displayed.

GRADIENT RELEASE CONTROL (GRC)

With HDC activated, if the vehicle is stopped on a slope using the foot brake, GRC will become active (except in Terrain Response Sand program). It operates in all gears and in neutral position.

During a steep hill descent, when the foot brake is released GRC will automatically hold brake force for a short period before gradually releasing it, allowing for maximum control to be retained.

During an uphill start, a similar brake hold and gradual release is employed. This allows time for the driver to apply speed and allow the vehicle to move away smoothly.

BRAKE TEMPERATURE

In extreme circumstances, the HDC system may cause brake temperatures to exceed their pre-set limits. An **HDC** warning will be displayed in the message centre. HDC will then fade out and become temporarily inactive.

Once the brakes have reached an acceptable temperature, the message will disappear (or the warning indicator will extinguish) and HDC will, if required, resume operation.

HDC SYSTEM FAULT

If a fault is detected in the HDC system, an **HDC** warning will be displayed in the message centre.

If the fault is detected while the system is operating, HDC will then fade out.

If a fault is detected, contact your Land Rover Dealer/Authorised Repairer as soon as possible.

AUTOMATIC SYSTEMS

Gradient Acceleration Control (GAC) and **Hill Start Assist** are not active while HDC is operating.

GAC will limit vehicle acceleration on steep descents, allowing the driver to feel more in control of the vehicle.

Hill Start Assist activates when starting a hill ascent from a stationary position. When the foot brake is released Hill Start Assist smoothly releases the brake pressure, allowing the vehicle to move away without rolling backwards.

Any fault with GAC or Hill Start Assist will be indicated by the DSC warning lamp being illuminated and a message in the message centre.