## CHECKING THE ENGINE OIL LEVEL



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Never allow the engine oil level to fall below the **MIN** mark on the dipstick. Damage could be caused to the engine.

Check when the engine is cold and the vehicle is on level ground.

**Note:** If it is necessary to check the oil level when the engine is hot, switch off the engine and let the vehicle stand for five minutes. This will allow the oil to drain back into the sump.

- 1. Withdraw the dipstick and wipe the blade clean.
- 2. Replace the dipstick fully, then withdraw again to check the level indicator marks.



If the oil level on the dipstick:

- Is closer to the MAX mark, add no oil.
- Is closer to the MIN mark, add 0.5 litre (0.9 pint) of oil. See 101, LUBRICANTS AND FLUIDS.
- Is below the MIN mark, add 1.0 litre (1.75 pints) of oil and recheck after a further five minutes.

*Note:* The quantity of oil required to raise the level from the **MIN** mark to the **MAX** mark is approximately 2 litres (3.5 pints).

## **TOPPING UP THE OIL**

- Always top up with fluid of the correct specification. See 101, LUBRICANTS AND FLUIDS
- Take care not to spill oil onto a hot engine. Wipe up any spillage immediately.

• Overfilling could result in engine damage. Add oil in the recommended quantities. Recheck to ensure that the level is correct.

Failure to use the correct oil specification may cause excessive engine wear, a build up of sludge and deposits and an increase in pollution. Engine failure is a possibility.

• Your vehicle warranty may be invalidated if damage is caused through use of oil with incorrect specification.