Fluid level checks



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Make sure the coolant level remains between the **MIN** and **MAX** indicator marks, located on the side of the expansion tank.

If coolant/steam is expelled from the pressure cap or the level has dropped suddenly, or by a large amount, arrange for the vehicle to be examined by a Retailer/Authorised repairer as soon as possible.

TOPPING UP THE COOLANT

- Never remove the filler cap when the engine is hot - escaping steam or scalding water could cause serious personal injury.
- Avoid spilling antifreeze onto a hot engine a fire may result.
- Unscrew the filler cap slowly, allowing the pressure to escape before removing completely.
- Antifreeze is poisonous and can be fatal if swallowed - keep containers sealed and out of the reach of children. If accidental consumption is suspected, seek medical attention immediately.

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If the fluid comes into contact with the skin or eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of clean water.

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When travelling in territories where the water supply contains salt, always make sure you carry a supply of fresh (rain or distilled) water. Topping up with salt water will cause serious engine damage.

- The use of non-approved antifreeze will have an adverse effect on the engine's cooling system and; therefore, engine durability.
- Antifreeze will damage painted surfaces; soak up any spillage with an absorbent cloth immediately, and wash the area with a mixture of car shampoo and water.

Top up to the **MAX** mark, located on the side of the expansion tank. Use only a 50% mix of water and the approved antifreeze. See **330, LUBRICANTS AND FLUIDS**.

The specific gravity of a 50% antifreeze solution at 20°C is 1.068 and protects against frost down to -40°C.

Antifreeze contains important corrosion inhibitors. The antifreeze content of the coolant must be maintained at $50\% \pm 5\%$ all year round (not just in cold conditions). To make sure that the anti-corrosion properties of the coolant are retained, the antifreeze content should be checked once a year and completely renewed every ten years, regardless of distance travelled. Failure to do so, may cause corrosion of the radiator and engine components.