

Checking Battery

Your car has a Delco FREEDOM battery. It needs no periodic maintenance. Its top is permanently sealed (except for two small vent holes) and has no filler caps. You will never need to add water. The hydrometer (test indicator) in the top of the battery provides information for testing purposes only.

For full power needs a Delco FREEDOM battery with the same catalogue number as shown on the original battery's label is recommended, at replacement time.

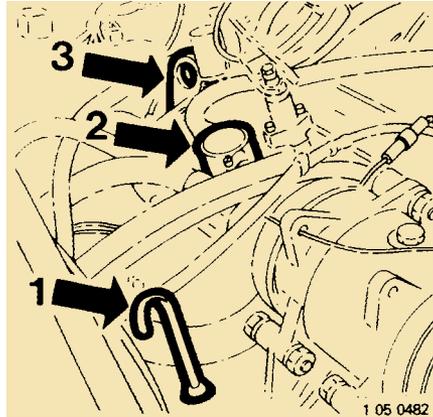
CAUTION: FOLLOW THE PRECAUTIONS LISTED IN THE JUMP STARTING CAUTION WHEN WORKING ON OR NEAR A BATTERY, PERSONAL INJURY (PARTICULARLY TO EYES) OR PROPERTY DAMAGE MAY RESULT FROM BATTERY EXPLOSION, BATTERY ACID OR ELECTRICAL (SHORT CIRCUIT) BURNS.

Checking Belt Tension and Condition

If a belt is worn, cracked or frayed, have it replaced. To check belt tension, apply moderate thumb pressure (approximately 22 lbs (10 kg)) midway between pulleys and check the deflection on the longest run of the belt.

Belt	Deflection
Alternator drive belt	6-10 mm (¼ - ⅜ in)
Air conditioning compressor	6-10 mm (¼ - ⅜ in)

Note: If a belt is replaced, readjust the tension after approximately 2,000 miles (3,000 km) of driving.



Checking Engine Oil Level – Fig. 5

1. Be sure the vehicle is on level ground.
2. Turn off the engine and wait five minutes.
3. Pull out the dipstick (1) wipe it clean and re-insert fully.
4. Pull the dipstick out again and note reading. If the level falls on the knurled section, it is okay. If the level is near the bottom of the knurled section, add oil to bring to proper level. If 'topping up' is required, pull off the crankcase breather cap on the left valve cover (2) and add the recommended lubricant. DO NOT overfill. Replace breather cap securely.

CAUTION: Engine oil may be hot. Caution should be exercised to avoid the possibility of burns.

Checking Automatic Transmission Fluid Level – Fig. 5

1. Park the vehicle on level ground and set the parking brake firmly.
2. Run the engine at idle speed until cooling fans begin to cycle – A/C off.
3. Move the selector lever through all of the gear positions and set it to the 'P' (PARK) position (engine running).
4. Wipe any dirt from the dipstick cap (3) pull out the dipstick, wipe clean and reinsert fully.
5. Pull out again, and check the level. The level should be maintained between the marked L and F on the dipstick.
6. If the level is near or at the L line, add fluid through the filler tube. DO NOT OVERFILL.