

# Vehicle battery

## BATTERY WARNING SYMBOLS



Do not allow naked flames or other sources of ignition near the battery, as the battery may emit explosive gases.



Ensure that when working near or handling the battery, suitable eye protection is worn, to protect the eyes from acid splashes.



To prevent risk of injury, do not allow children near the battery.



Be aware that the battery may emit explosive gases.



The battery contains acid which is extremely corrosive and toxic.



Consult the handbook for information, before handling the battery.

## BATTERY CARE



**If swallowed, battery electrolyte can be fatal, seek medical assistance immediately.**



**If battery electrolyte comes into contact with your eyes, skin, or clothes you should remove the affected clothing and flush the skin/eyes with copious amounts of water. Seek medical assistance immediately.**



**Do not connect any 12 volt equipment directly to the battery terminals. Doing so may cause a spark, which can result in an explosion.**



**The cell plugs and vent pipe must be in place at all times when the battery is connected to the vehicle. Ensure that the vent pipe is clear of obstructions and not kinked. Failure to do so may cause a pressure build up in the battery, resulting in an explosion.**



**Do not expose the battery to a naked flame or spark as the battery produces explosive, flammable gas.**



**Never jump start (boost), charge, or try to start a vehicle with a frozen battery. Doing so can result in an explosion.**



**Remove all metal jewellery before working on, or near, the battery and never allow metal tools or vehicle components to come into contact with the battery terminals.**



**Do not allow the battery posts or terminals to come into contact with your skin. They contain lead and lead compounds, which are toxic. Always wash your hands thoroughly after handling the battery.**



**Do not allow battery electrolyte to come into contact with fabrics or painted surfaces. If battery electrolyte comes into contact with any surface, the surface should be washed down immediately with copious amounts of clean water.**

Vehicles may be fitted with either a single low maintenance battery or dual maintenance free batteries. Both types are located under the floor of the luggage compartment.

If the vehicle is fitted with a single battery, in hot climates more frequent checks of the battery electrolyte level and condition are required. If necessary, the battery cells can be topped up using distilled water.