SEAT BELT CHECKS

Note: If the vehicle is parked on an incline, the seat belt mechanism may lock. This is a safety feature and the belt should be gently eased out from the upper anchorage.

The seat belts should be inspected regularly to check for fraying, cuts or wear to the webbing, and the condition and security of the mechanism, buckles, adjusters, and mounting points.

- With the seat belt fastened, give the webbing near the buckle a quick upward pull. The buckle must remain securely locked.
- With the seat belt unfastened, unreel the seat belt to the limit of its travel. Check that it unreels smoothly with no snatches or snags. Allow the belt to fully retract, again checking for smooth operation.
- Partially unreel the seat belt, then hold the tongue plate and give a quick forward pull.
 The mechanism must lock and prevent any further unreeling.

If any of the seat belts fail to meet those criteria, immediately contact your Dealer/Authorised Repairer.

BELTMINDER

A front and rear seat Beltminder system warns the driver when the seat belt of an occupied seat is not fastened or is unfastened during a journey.



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A graphic in the message centre indicates which seat belts are fastened at the start of a journey and also when a seat belt is fastened or unfastened during a journey.

Each seating position is represented by a passenger icon, the colour of which indicates the seat belt status:

- No colour seat belt not fastened.
- Green seat belt fastened.
- Red driver's or occupied front seat passenger's seat belt is not fastened or is unfastened during a journey.

In addition, an audible warning will sound under the following conditions:

- The driver's or occupied front seat passenger's seat belt is not fastened or is unfastened during a journey.
- A rear seat belt is unfastened.

Note: If a heavy object is placed on the front passenger seat, it may activate the Beltminder feature. It is recommended that the object be placed in the luggage compartment or secured using the seat belt.

SEAT BELT PRE-TENSIONERS

The seat belt pre-tensioners activate in conjunction with the Supplementary Restraint System (SRS) to provide additional protection in the event of a severe frontal impact. They automatically reduce any slack in a seatbelt to reduce forward movement of a front seat occupant.



The seat belt pre-tensioners will activate only once and then must be replaced. Failure to replace them will reduce the effectiveness of the SRS in reducing the risk of serious injury or death in the event of an accident.