Note: *When releasing the seat belt it is advisable to hold the belt before pressing the release button. This will prevent the belt from retracting too quickly.*

3. **Use of seat belts during pregnancy:** Position the lap strap comfortably across the hips beneath the abdomen. Place the diagonal part of the seat belt between the breasts and to the side of the abdomen.

   Position the seat belt correctly for the safety of the mother and unborn child. Never wear just the lap strap, and never sit on the lap strap whilst using just the shoulder strap. Both of these actions are extremely dangerous and increase your risk of serious injury in the event of an accident or during emergency braking.

   Never place anything between you and the seat belt in an attempt to cushion the impact in the event of an accident. It can be dangerous and reduce the effectiveness of the seat belt in preventing injury.

   Ensure that the seat belt is not slack or twisted.

4. To gain access to the rear seats, release the seat belt guide retainer strap.

   Replace the seat belt guide retainer strap over the belt when the seat is back in the upright position.

SEAT BELT WARNING LAMP



The warning lamp in the instrument panel stays illuminated when the driver's or front passenger's seat belt is not fastened (if the passenger seat is occupied). The lamp should extinguish when the seat belt is fastened.

The warning lamp will also flash in conjunction with the Beltminder warning chime.

BELTMINDER

The beltminder system warns the driver (using the seat belt warning lamp) when the seat belt of an occupied front seat is not fastened or is unfastened during a journey, see **43, BELTMINDER (RED)**.

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.*