



Seat belts should be inspected or replaced by qualified personnel only. All replacement parts should be, at least, the same specification as the vehicle's original equipment. If in doubt, consult a Dealer/Authorised Repairer.



Do not attempt to service, repair, replace, modify, or tamper with, any part of the vehicle's seat belts, doing so may render the seat belts as ineffective.



Care should be taken to avoid contamination of the webbing with polishes, oils and chemicals, and particularly battery acid. Cleaning may safely be carried out using mild soap and water. Contaminated seat belts may not operate correctly in an impact and cannot be relied upon.



When using seat belts to restrain items other than occupants, take care to make sure that the belts are not damaged, or exposed to sharp edges.



Do not carry hard, fragile, or sharp items between your person and the seat belt. In an impact, the pressure on such items can cause them to break, which in turn may cause death or serious injury.

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 a Dealer/Authorised Repairer.

SEAT BELT REMINDER

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

Seat belt reminder commences when the vehicle is in motion and the driver's belt is unbuckled. Dependent on market, the warning indicator in the Instrument panel illuminates (see **52, SEAT BELT (RED)**), and an audible chime sounds. The visual and audible warnings applicable to the Seat belt reminder feature are market dependent to meet individual market requirements. The warning signals given may also change depending on whether the vehicle is stationary or when the vehicle's speed exceeds a predetermined threshold. In certain markets, the Seat belt reminder feature also applies to the passenger seat.