## **ELECTRIC PARKING BRAKE (EPB)**

The Electric Parking Brake (EPB) operates on the rear wheels, therefore, secure parking of the vehicle is dependent on being on a hard and stable surface.



**Note:** If the vehicle is constantly used in arduous conditions, then extra maintenance and adjustment of the EPB will be required. Consult a Retailer/Authorised Repairer.



- 1. With the ignition switched on, press the brake pedal and press down on the EPB switch. This will release the EPB.
- With the vehicle stationary, pull the EPB switch up and release it, to apply the EPB. The parking brake warning lamp will illuminate to indicate that the EPB is applied. See 52, PARKING BRAKE (RED).

If the EPB is operated when the vehicle's speed is less than 3 km/h (2 mph), the vehicle will be brought to an abrupt stop. The stop lamps will not be illuminated.



Driving the vehicle with the EPB applied, or repeated use of the EPB to slow the vehicle, may cause serious damage to the brake system.

In an emergency, with the vehicle travelling at more than 3 km/h (2 mph), pulling on the EPB switch and holding gives a controlled reduction in the speed, as long as the accelerator pedal is released. This can be used to bring the vehicle to a complete stop. The brake warning lamp will illuminate, accompanied by a warning tone and a warning message in the Message centre. The stop lamps will illuminate.

If the vehicle is stationary with the EPB applied and the transmission is engaged in a forward or reverse gear, pressing the accelerator pedal will gradually release the EPB and allow the vehicle to drive away smoothly.

**Note:** Automatic release of the EPB is only possible when the driver's door is closed, or the driver's seat belt is buckled.

When shifting an automatic transmission from Park (**P**) with the EPB applied, the EPB will automatically release to allow a smooth drive away.

If the system detects a fault with the EPB, the amber brake warning lamp will illuminate, accompanied by a message in the Message centre.

If the system detects a fault while the EPB is operating, the red parking brake warning lamp will flash, accompanied by a message in the Message centre.

**Note:** The red parking brake warning lamp will continue to be illuminated for at least 10 seconds after the ignition has been switched off.