Service precautions

Vehicle maintenance is an important yet frequently neglected item. Proper maintenance will aid in retaining the level of performance that has been engineered into your Mitsubishi vehicle and it will guard against major repair expenses resulting from neglect. Good maintenance is a great way to protect your investment and ensure proper performance. Your Mitsubishi Motors Dealership is in the best position to provide proper maintenance service through Mitsubishi's exclusive "Triple Diamond Service".

- Factory Trained Technicians
- Advanced Diagnostic Equipment
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- Fast Service
- Commitment to Customer Satisfaction

Selecting the proper maintenance schedule

There are two maintenance schedules that show proper service for your vehicle.

First is "Regular maintenance schedule". Follow the Regular maintenance schedule only if none of the driving conditions in the Severe maintenance section apply.

Second is "Severe maintenance schedule". Follow the severe maintenance schedule only if your vehicle is frequently driven under one or more of the following road conditions.

- Driving on dusty, rough, muddy or salt-spread roads
- Towing or police, taxi or commercial operation
- Extensive idling and/or low speed operation
- Repeated short-trip operation at freezing temperatures (engine not thoroughly warmed up)
- Extended use of brakes while driving
- Driving in sandy areas
- More than 50% operation in heavy city traffic during hot weather above 90°F (32°C)

Emission control system maintenance

The "scheduled" maintenance services, listed in bold type must be done at the times or mileages specified to assure the continued proper functioning of the emission control system. These, and all other maintenance services included in this manual, should be done to provide best vehicle performance and reliability. More frequent maintenance may be needed for vehicles in severe operating conditions such as dusty areas and very short trip driving. Inspection and service also should be done any time malfunction is suspected.

Service station checks

The following items should be inspected by either you or a service station attendant each time fuel is added:

- Engine oil level. Add if needed. Check Owner's Manual-See index and look under Engine Oil for detailed information.
- Engine coolant level. Add coolant to reservoir tank along with the proper mix if needed. Replace coolant if dirty or rusty in color. Check Owner's Manual-See index and look under Coolant for detailed information.
- Windshield washer fluid level. Add fluid to washer tank if necessary.
- Tire inspection. Inspect for unusual tire wear and proper inflation. Check Owner's Manual-See index and look under Tire for detailed information.
### Regular Maintenance Schedule

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**Regular maintenance schedule**

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- **7,500 Miles (12 000 km) or at 12 months**
  - □ Replace air purifier filter.
  - □ Change engine oil.
  - □ Rotate tires.

- **15,000 Miles (24 000 km) or at 12 months**
  - □ Replace engine oil filter.\(^1\)
    \(^1\): If the mileage is less than 7,500 miles (12 000 km) each year, the oil filter should be replaced at every oil change.
  - □ Check automatic transaxle/transmission fluid level and condition.
  - □ Inspect disc brake pads for wear.
  - □ Check brake hoses for deterioration or leaks.
  - □ Inspect drive shaft boots for grease leaks and damage.

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- **15,000 Miles (24 000 km) or at 24 months**
  - □ Replace air purifier filter.
  - □ Change engine oil.
  - □ Rotate tires.

- **30,000 Miles (48 000 km) or at 36 months**
  - □ Replace air cleaner filter.
  - □ Change engine oil.
  - □ Rotate tires.

- **30,000 Miles (48 000 km)**
  - □ Replace air purifier filter.
  - □ Replace spark plugs, standard type.
  - □ Check drive belts condition (for the generator, water pump, power steering pump).
  - □ Check manual transaxle/transmission oil level and condition.
  - □ Check transfer oil level.
  - □ Check rear axle oil level, without L.S.D.
  - □ Change rear axle oil, with L.S.D.

- **30,000 Miles (48 000 km) or at 24 months**
  - □ Replace engine oil filter.\(^1\)
    \(^1\): If the mileage is less than 7,500 miles (12 000 km) each year, the oil filter should be replaced at every oil change.
  - □ Check automatic transaxle/transmission fluid level and condition.
  - □ Inspect disc brake pads for wear.
  - □ Inspect rear drum brake linings and rear wheel cylinders (except vehicles with disc brakes) for wear and leaks of all wheels.
  - □ Check brake hoses for deterioration or leaks.
  - □ Inspect ball joint and steering linkage seals for grease leaks and damage.
  - □ Inspect drive shaft boots for grease leaks and damage.
  - □ Lubricate grease ball joints with grease nipple.
  - □ Lubricate grease propeller shaft joint with grease nipple.
  - □ Check and service exhaust system as required (connection portion of muffler, muffler pipes and converter heat shields).

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- **30,000 Miles (48,000 km) or at 48 months**
  - Replace air purifier filter.
  - Change engine oil.
  - Rotate tires.

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- **37,500 Miles (60,000 km) or at 60 months**
  - Replace air purifier filter.
  - Change engine oil.
  - Rotate tires.

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- **45,000 Miles (72,000 km) or at 36 months**
  - Replace engine oil filter.*¹
    - If the mileage is less than 7,500 miles (12,000 km) each year, the oil filter should be replaced at every oil change.
  - Check automatic transaxle/transmission fluid level and condition.
  - Inspect disc brake pads for wear.
  - Check brake hoses for deterioration or leaks.
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- **45,000 Miles (72,000 km) or at 72 months**
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- **52,500 Miles (84,000 km) or at 84 months**
  - Replace air purifier filter.
  - Change engine oil.
  - Rotate tires.

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- **60,000 Miles (96,000 km)**
  - Replace air cleaner filter.
  - Replace spark plugs, standard type.
  - Replace spark plugs, platinum-tipped type.
  - Replace timing belt.*¹
    - For California, Massachusetts, Vermont and MAINE this maintenance is recommended but not required.
  - Check drive belts condition (for the generator, water pump, power steering pump).
  - Check manual transaxle/transmission oil level and condition.
  - Check transfer oil level (Montero and Montero Sport-4WD).
  - Change transfer oil (except Montero and Montero Sport-4WD).
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- **60,000 Miles (96,000 km) or at 48 months**
  - Check fuel hoses condition.
  - Replace engine oil filter.*²
    - If the mileage is less than 7,500 miles (12,000 km) each year, the oil filter should be replaced at every oil change.
  - Check automatic transaxle/transmission fluid level and condition.
  - Change engine coolant.
  - Inspect disc brake pads for wear.
  - Inspect rear drum brake linings and rear wheel cylinders (except vehicles with disc brakes) for wear and leaks of all wheels.
  - Check brake hoses for deterioration or leaks.
  - Inspect ball joint and steering linkage seals for grease leaks and damage.
  - Inspect drive shaft boots for grease leaks and damage.
  - Lubricate grease ball joints with grease nipple.
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- **60,000 Miles (96 000 km) or at 60 months**
  - Replace ignition cables.
  - Check distributor cap and rotor.
  - Check fuel system for leak (tank, pipe line and connection, and fuel tank filler tube cap).
  - Check evaporative emission control system for leaks and clogging (except evaporative emission canister).

- **60,000 Miles (96 000 km) or at 96 months**
  - Replace air purifier filter.
  - Change engine oil.
  - Rotate tires.

- **67,500 Miles (108 000 km) or at 108 months**
  - Replace air purifier filter.
  - Change engine oil.
  - Rotate tires.

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- **75,000 Miles (120 000 km) or at 60 months**
  - Replace engine oil filter.\(^1\)
  - Check automatic transaxle/transmission fluid level and condition.
  - Inspect disc brake pads for wear.
  - Check brake hoses for deterioration or leaks.
  - Inspect drive shaft boots for grease leaks and damage.

- **75,000 Miles (120 000 km) or at 96 months**
  - Replace air cleaner filter.
  - Replace spark plugs, standard type.
  - Check drive belts condition (for the generator, water pump, power steering pump).
  - Check manual transaxle/transmission oil level and condition.
  - Check transfer oil level.
  - Check rear axle oil level, without L.S.D.
  - Change rear axle oil, with L.S.D.

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- **82,500 Miles (132 000 km) or at 132 months**
  - Replace air purifier filter.
  - Change engine oil.
  - Rotate tires.

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- **90,000 Miles (144 000 km)**
  - Replace air cleaner filter.
  - Replace spark plugs, standard type.
  - Check drive belts condition (for the generator, water pump, power steering pump).
  - Check manual transaxle/transmission oil level and condition.
  - Check transfer oil level.
  - Check rear axle oil level, without L.S.D.
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● 90,000 Miles (144 000 km) or at 72 months
  □ Check fuel hoses condition.
  □ Replace engine oil filter. *1
  *1: If the mileage is less than 7,500 miles (12 000 km) each year, the oil filter should be replaced at every oil change.
  □ Check automatic transaxle/transmission fluid level and condition.
  □ Change engine coolant.
  □ Inspect disc brake pads for wear.
  □ Inspect rear drum brake linings and rear wheel cylinders (except vehicles with disc brakes) for wear and leaks of all wheels.
  □ Check brake hoses for deterioration or leaks.
  □ Inspect ball joint and steering linkage seals for grease leaks and damage.
  □ Inspect drive shaft boots for grease leaks and damage.
  □ Lubricate grease ball joints with grease nipple.
  □ Lubricate grease propeller shaft joint with grease nipple.
  □ Check and service exhaust system as required (connection portion of muffler, muffler pipes and converter heat shields).

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● 90,000 Miles (144 000 km) or at 144 months
  □ Replace air purifier filter.
  □ Change engine oil.
  □ Rotate tires.

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● 97,500 Miles (156 000 km) or at 156 months
  □ Replace air purifier filter.
  □ Change engine oil.
  □ Rotate tires.

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● 100,000 Miles (160 000 km)
  □ Replace timing belt. *2
  *2: Not required if belt was previously changed.

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● 105,000 Miles (168 000 km)
  □ Replace spark plugs, iridium-tipped type.

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● 105,000 Miles (168 000 km) or at 84 months
  □ Replace engine oil filter. *1
  *1: If the mileage is less than 7,500 miles (12 000 km) each year, the oil filter should be replaced at every oil change.
  □ Check automatic transaxle/transmission fluid level and condition.
  □ Inspect disc brake pads for wear.
  □ Check brake hoses for deterioration or leaks.
  □ Inspect drive shaft boots for grease leaks and damage.

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● 105,000 Miles (168 000 km) or at 168 months
  □ Replace air purifier filter.
  □ Change engine oil.
  □ Rotate tires.

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● 120 months
  □ Inspect SRS*2 airbag system.
  *2: Supplemental Restraint System

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- **3,000 Miles (4,800 km) or at 3 months**
  - Change engine oil.

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- **6,000 Miles (9,600 km) or at 6 months**
  - Change engine oil.
  - Replace engine oil filter.
  - Inspect disc brake pads for wear.
  - Rotate tires.

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- **9,000 Miles (14,400 km) or at 9 months**
  - Change engine oil.

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- **12,000 Miles (19,200 km) or at 12 months**
  - Change engine oil.
  - Replace engine oil filter.
  - Inspect disc brake pads for wear.
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- **15,000 Miles (24,000 km)**
  - Replace air cleaner filter.
  - Replace spark plugs, standard type.

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- **15,000 Miles (24,000 km) or at 12 months**
  - Check automatic transaxle/transmission fluid and condition.
  - Inspect rear drum brake linings and rear wheel cylinders (except vehicles with disc brakes) for wear and leaks of all wheels.
  - Check brake hoses for deterioration or leaks.
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- **18,000 Miles (28,800 km) or at 18 months**
  - Change engine oil.
  - Replace engine oil filter.
  - Inspect disc brake pads for wear.
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- **21,000 Miles (33,600 km) or at 21 months**
  - Change engine oil.

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- **24,000 Miles (38,400 km) or at 24 months**
  - Change engine oil.
  - Replace engine oil filter.
  - Inspect disc brake pads for wear.
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#### 27,000 Miles (43,200 km) or at 27 months
- Change engine oil.

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#### 30,000 Miles (48,000 km)
- Replace air cleaner filter.
- Replace spark plugs, standard type.
- Check drive belts condition (for the generator, water pump, power steering pump).
- Change manual transaxle/transmission oil.
- Change automatic transaxle/transmission fluid.
- Check transfer oil level (except Montero and Montero Sport-4WD).
- Change transfer oil (Montero and Montero Sport-4WD).
- Check rear axle oil level, without L.S.D.
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#### 39,000 Miles (62,400 km) or at 39 months
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#### 42,000 Miles (67,200 km) or at 42 months
- Change engine oil.
- Replace engine oil filter.
- Inspect disc brake pads for wear.
- Rotate tires.

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#### 33,000 Miles (52,800 km) or at 33 months
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#### 45,000 Miles (72,000 km)
- Replace air cleaner filter.
- Replace spark plugs, standard type.

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#### 30,000 Miles (48,000 km) or at 24 months
- Check fuel hoses condition.
- Inspect rear drum brake linings and rear wheel cylinders (except vehicles with disc brakes) for wear and leaks of all wheels.
- Check brake hoses for deterioration or leaks.
- Inspect ball joint and steering linkage seals for grease leaks and damage.
- Inspect drive shaft boots for grease leaks and damage.
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- **45,000 Miles (72 000 km) or at 36 months**
  - Check automatic transaxle/transmission fluid and condition.
  - Inspect rear drum brake linings and rear wheel cylinders (except vehicles with disc brakes) for wear and leaks of all wheels.
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- **51,000 Miles (81 600 km) or at 51 months**
  - Change engine oil.

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- **54,000 Miles (86 400 km) or at 54 months**
  - Change engine oil.
  - Replace engine oil filter.
  - Inspect disc brake pads for wear.
  - Rotate tires.

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- **57,000 Miles (91 200 km) or at 57 months**
  - Change engine oil.

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- **59,000 Miles (95 000 km) or at 59 months**
  - Replace air cleaner filter.
  - Replace spark plugs, standard type.
  - Replace spark plugs, platinum-tipped type.
  - Check drive belts condition (for the generator, water pump, power steering pump).
  - Replace timing belt.*¹
  - Change manual transaxle/transmission oil.
  - Change automatic transaxle/transmission fluid.
  - Change transfer oil.
  - Change rear axle oil level, without L.S.D.
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- **60,000 Miles (96 000 km) or at 48 months**
  - Check fuel hoses condition.
  - Change engine coolant.
  - Inspect rear drum brake linings and rear wheel cylinders (except vehicles with disc brakes) for wear and leaks of all wheels.
  - Check brakes hoses for deterioration or leaks.
  - Inspect ball joint and steering linkage seals for grease leaks and damage.
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- 60,000 Miles (96,000 km) or at 60 months
  - Replace ignition cables.
  - Check distributor cap and rotor.
  - Check fuel system for leaks (tank, pipe line and connection, and fuel tank filler tube cap).
  - Check evaporative emission control system for leaks and clogging (except evaporative emission canister).
  - Change engine oil.
  - Replace engine oil filter.
  - Inspect disc brake pads for wear.
  - Rotate tires.

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- 63,000 Miles (100,800 km) or at 63 months
  - Change engine oil.

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- 66,000 Miles (105,600 km) or at 66 months
  - Change engine oil.
  - Replace engine oil filter.
  - Inspect disc brake pads for wear.
  - Rotate tires.

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- 69,000 Miles (110,400 km) or at 69 months
  - Change engine oil.

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- 72,000 Miles (115,200 km) or at 72 months
  - Change engine oil.
  - Replace engine oil filter.
  - Inspect disc brake pads for wear.
  - Rotate tires.

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- 75,000 Miles (120,000 km)
  - Replace air cleaner filter.
  - Replace spark plugs, standard type.

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- 75,000 Miles (120,000 km) or at 60 months
  - Check automatic transaxle/transmission fluid and condition.
  - Inspect rear drum brake linings and rear wheel cylinders (except vehicles with disc brakes) for wear and leaks of all wheels.
  - Check brake hoses for deterioration or leaks.
  - Inspect drive shaft boots for grease leaks and damage.

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- 75,000 Miles (120,000 km) or at 75 months
  - Change engine oil.

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- 78,000 Miles (124,800 km) or at 78 months
  - Change engine oil.
  - Replace engine oil filter.
  - Inspect disc brake pads for wear.
  - Rotate tires.

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- 81,000 Miles (129,600 km) or at 81 months
  - Change engine oil.

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- 84,000 Miles (134,400 km) or at 84 months
  - Change engine oil.
  - Replace engine oil filter.
  - Inspect disc brake pads for wear.
  - Rotate tires.

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- **87,000 Miles (139 200 km) or at 87 months**
  - Change engine oil.

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- **90,000 Miles (144 000 km)**
  - Replace air cleaner filter.
  - Replace spark plugs, standard type.
  - Check drive belts condition (for the generator, water pump, power steering pump).
  - Change manual transaxle/transmission oil.
  - Change automatic transaxle/transmission fluid.
  - Check transfer oil level (except Montero and Montero Sport-4WD).
  - Check transfer oil (Montero and Montero Sport-4WD).
  - Check rear axle oil level, without L.S.D.
  - Change rear axle oil, with L.S.D.

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- **90,000 Miles (144 000 km) or at 72 months**
  - Check fuel hoses condition.
  - Change engine coolant.
  - Inspect rear drum brake linings and rear wheel cylinders (except vehicles with disc brakes) for wear and leaks of all wheels.
  - Check brakes hoses for deterioration or leaks.
  - Inspect ball joint and steering linkage seals for grease leaks and damage.
  - Inspect drive shaft boots for grease leaks and damage.
  - Lubricate grease ball joints with grease nipple.
  - Lubricate grease propeller shaft joint with grease nipple.
  - Check and service exhaust system as required (connection portion of muffler, muffler pipes and converter heat shields).

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- **90,000 Miles (144 000 km) or at 90 months**
  - Change engine oil.
  - Replace engine oil filter.
  - Inspect disc brake pads for wear.
  - Rotate tires.

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- **99,000 Miles (158 400 km) or at 99 months**
  - Change engine oil.

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- **100,000 Miles (160 000 km)**
  - Replace timing belt.*¹
  - Not required if belt was perviously changed.

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- **102,000 Miles (163 200 km) or at 102 months**
  - Change engine oil.
  - Replace engine oil filter.
  - Inspect disc brake pads for wear.
  - Rotate tires.

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- 105,000 Miles (168,000 km)
  - Replace air cleaner filter.
  - Replace spark plugs, standard type.
  - Replace spark plugs, iridium-tipped type.

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- 105,000 Miles (168,000 km) or at 105 months
  - Change engine oil.

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- at 120 months
  - Inspect SRS*1 airbag system.
  - *1: Supplemental Restraint System.

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