

TOP TIPS FOR

Being more fuel efficient



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PLAN YOUR JOURNEY

Check in advance for the quickest route including roadworks, congestion or obstructions. Sat-navs will often include helpful live traffic updates.

USE START / STOP

Modern cars benefit from start/stop functionality which cuts the engine when stationary. This not only saves fuel, but cuts down on emissions.

DRIVE SMOOTHLY

Accelerate and decelerate smoothly and steadily for the best fuel efficiency.



DON'T REV

Reving the engine unnecessarily will use more fuel than necessary.

REFUEL CAREFULLY

Pump nozzles hold up to 250ml of fuel after you've dispensed it into your car. Wait a few seconds before removing the nozzle to avoid wastage.

THINK AHEAD

Account for traffic lights, roundabouts, junctions and speed restrictions, avoiding sudden reactions to them for improved fuel consumption.



GET A SERVICE

A mechanic can help diagnose faults affecting your car's fuel efficiency.

DON'T SPEED

Keep to the speed limit for better fuel efficiency. Just 10 MPH difference can reduce your fuel by 15-25%

SKIP THE AIR-CON

Only use the aircon when necessary as it's a guzzler when it comes to fuel.

GEAR UP

Change gears at around 2500 RPM in a petrol car or 2000 RPM in a diesel car and never let your car struggle in a higher gear if the revs are dropping.



BE AERODYNAMIC

Adding a roof rack to your car or even opening the windows changes aerodynamic properties, increasing drag and fuel consumption.

CRUISE CONTROL

Cruise control can be more economic when driving on flat roads. Turn this feature off on hilly roads as it is less fuel efficient.

CHOOSING FUEL

Premium performance fuels don't make a big difference to most UK cars, except performance cars.



USE THE RIGHT OIL

Prolong the lifespan of your engine and improve fuel economy by choosing the correct engine oil. Refer to industry guides or professionals.

THE BRAKE PEDAL

Many drivers rest their foot on the brake. This applies gentle pressure, increasing resistance and fuel consumption.

WHEEL ALIGNMENT

Wheels lose parallel alignment from bumps, increasing fuel consumption, so check this yearly.



CHOOSING TYRES

Tyres designed for off-road use increase the resistance of the vehicle putting more strain on the engine.

TYRE PRESSURE

Check tyre pressure regularly using a tyre pressure gauge. Refer to the user manual, inside the fuel cap cover or the inside edge of the driver's door for details.

SKIP THE WARM UP

Warming the car up first in winter wastes fuel. If the windscreen is icy it's cheaper to use a scraper and a bit of elbow grease.

CUT WEIGHT

Extra boot weight makes the engine less efficient due to increased resistance.

