

Cooling System

COOLANT CHECK AND TOP-UP

WARNING

NEVER remove the filler cap when the engine is hot -escaping steam or scalding water could cause serious personal injury.

Unscrew the filler cap slowly, allowing the pressure to escape before removing completely.

Avoid spilling anti-freeze onto a hot engine - a fire may result.

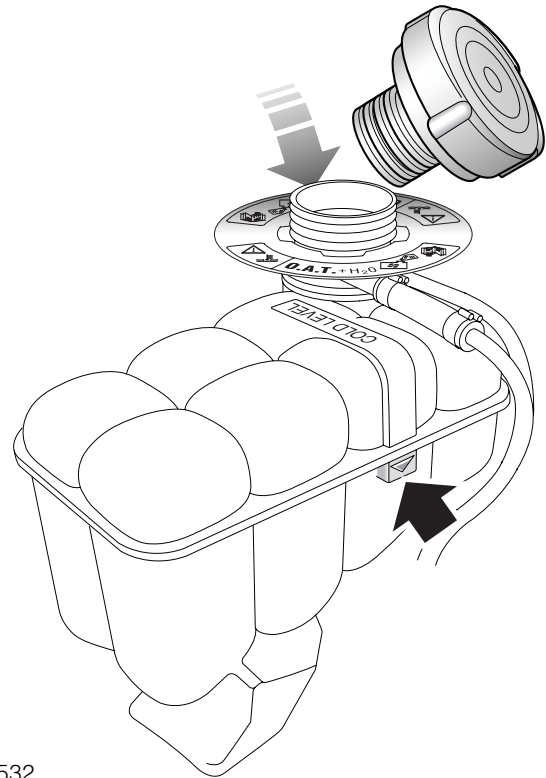
CAUTION: NEVER run the engine without coolant.

NEVER top-up with salt water. When travelling in territories where the water supply contains salt, always ensure that you carry a supply of fresh (rain or distilled) water.

NOTE: Anti-freeze will damage painted surfaces; soak up any spillage with an absorbent cloth immediately and wash the area with a mixture of car shampoo and water.

The coolant level in the expansion tank should be checked at least weekly (more frequently in high mileage or arduous operating conditions). Always check the level WHEN THE SYSTEM IS COLD.

If it is necessary to remove the filler cap before the system has fully cooled, loosen the cap slowly, allowing the air pressure to escape gradually.



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Top-up with a 50% mixture of water and approved anti-freeze, see 'LUBRICANTS AND FLUIDS', page 239, so that the surface of the coolant is level with the indicator on the side of the tank (arrowed in illustration).

Ensure the cap is tightened fully after top-up is completed.

If the level has fallen appreciably, suspect leakage or overheating and arrange for your retailer to examine the vehicle. **DO NOT OVERFILL!**