

## Step by Step Guide to:

### Fuel-Efficient Driving

#### 1 Don't drive aggressively

Avoid hard acceleration and hard braking and you'll be a lot lighter on your fuel bill.

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#### 2 Drive the speed limit

For every 10 kilometres per hour you reduce your highway speed, you can cut your fuel consumption by about 10 per cent.

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#### 3 Use cruise control

Except on steep hills, cruise control keeps your vehicle at a steady, efficient speed and avoids gas-guzzling surges.

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#### 4 Idling gets you nowhere

Stop idling, except in traffic, and you could save \$100 on your gas bill.

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#### 5 Try weight watching

Fuel economy is reduced by some two per cent for every extra 45 kilograms of weight inside the vehicle and by five per cent if you have a loaded roof rack.

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#### 6 Keep your tires properly inflated

You might reduce your gas mileage by three per cent if your tires are under-inflated by 10 pounds.

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#### 7 Keep your vehicle tuned up

A properly-tuned vehicle, using the correct motor oil, is more efficient and hence uses less fuel.

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#### 8 Air conditioning: myth or fact?

Tests have shown that at highway speeds, there is a negligible difference between using AC or increasing aerodynamic drag with open windows. At slower speeds in the city however, it might make sense to turn the AC off and lower your windows.

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#### 9 Monitor your mileage

Keep track of your kilometres per litre and see precisely how driving sensibly improves fuel economy.



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