

Vehicle Walk Around Check

Read our guide to find out how to improve safety levels and unscheduled downtime with a vehicle walk around check.

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Checking points:

1. Battery

- Battery is secure and cables are connected correctly
- Battery is not leaking

2. Lights

- All internal and external lights, indicators and dashboard lights work correctly
- All lenses are clean and the right colour
- Brake lights work when the brake is applied and off when released
- Registration plate lights are clean and working properly
- Headlights are adjusted to aim light correctly

3. Fluids, Washers and Wipers

- Wipers operate when switched on
- Wiper blades are undamaged and clear windscreen effectively
- Washer fluid is topped up and sprays correctly onto the windows
- All fluid levels are correct, including brake fluid, engine coolant, engine oil, power steering and water
- There are no leaks under the vehicle when the engine is running

4. Mirrors and Glass

- All mirrors are secure, aligned and undamaged
- All windows and mirrors are clean
- Your view of the road is not obscured by discoloured glass, stickers or load

5. Bodywork and Doors

- All doors open and close correctly
- All doors are secure, with functioning locks
- No body panels are seriously damaged or loose

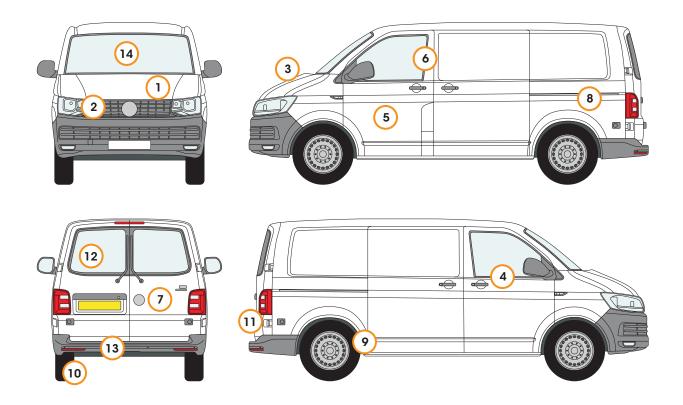
6. Seats and Seatbelts

- Your seat is secure and positioned properly for comfort
- You can reach and operate all controls properly
- Seatbelts are undamaged and fully operational

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7. Load

- All loads are secure and not over the legal limit for the vehicle
- Van doors are secure and locked

8. Fuel

- There is a full tank of fuel or enough to complete the journey
- Check the fuel cap seal for signs of fuel leakage
- Fuel cap is securely fitted

9. Brakes

- Brakes work correctly and do not have any excessive pedal travel
- Handbrake works properly

10. Tyres and Wheels

- All tyres are legal (with a minimum tread depth of 1.6mm) and are correctly inflated
- There are no deep cuts or damage to the tyre walls
- No cord is visible on the tyres
- All wheel nuts are secure and tightened properly
- The spare tyre or inflation kit is present
- There is no irregular wear and tear on the tyres

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11. Towing and Tail Lifts

- All lights are working
- Trailer and tow bar are secure
- Tail lift is undamaged and works correctly

12. Emergency Equipment

- Your mobile phone is charged, in case of emergencies
- You have emergency breakdown numbers in the vehicle
- You have emergency sign/triangle
- You carry water, particularly during hot weather
- You have high visibility clothing available at all times

13. Exhaust

- The exhaust has no visible blockages
- The exhaust doesn't emit excessive amounts of smoke

14. Horn and Steering

- Horn works and has a continuous tone
- Steering works correctly and has no excess play

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