

MINOR CAR SERVICE FROM \$190.00

- * Replace engine oil & filter.
- * Check & clean air flow sensor.
- * Up to 5 litres of semi synthetic oil.
- * Check front brakes.
- * Check, clean rear brakes & adjust if required.
- * Top up all fluids, power steering fluid, brake fluid, clutch fluid, transmission oil, radiator and over flow bottle.
- * Check differential oil.
- * Check transmission or manual gearbox fluid.
- * Check front & rear suspension.
- * Check & test battery.
- * Clean battery terminals & spray anti corrosion protector.
- * Check & test cooling system.
- * Check tyre pressures.
- * Inspect all hoses & fan belts.
- * Check all lights & wiper blades.
- * Add washer detergent additive.
- * replace service sticker & add FREE car deodorizer.
- * Vehicle inspection.
- * conditions apply

MAJOR CAR SERVICE FROM \$290

- * Replace engine oil & filter.
- * Up to 5 litres of semi synthetic oil.
- * Check front & rear brakes if required.
- * Top up all fluids, power steering, brake & clutch, radiator & over flow bottle, transmission oil.
- * Check & electronic test battery.
- * Vehicle inspection.
- * Check & test cooling system.
- * Inspect all hoses & fan belts.
- * Fuel system additive.
- * Replace spark plugs.
- * Rotate and balance wheels.
- * Adjust hand brake.
- * Check tyre pressures.

Note: Some 4wds, vans, commercial, european, imported & diesel cars may subject to a surcharge. Standard spark plugs only platinum plugs extra cost.

Tyres have 4 vital functions:

- * Provide grip for braking & acceleration
- * Support the weight of your vehicle
- * Maintain steering & directional control
- * Act as a shock absorber for the vibration of the road

When driving a motor vehicle, safety is everthing, so don't risk the lives of others or your own.

At F.C.A.R we ensure you have the correct tyres fitted, correct tyre pressures and plenty of tread.

At F.C.A.R we aim to get you the best tyres at the best price.

We supply and fit all major brands and sizes.

OUR FAVOURITE CAR TIPS!!
FUEL TIPS

- Fill your car with the correct fuel
- Ensure you use the recommended fuel
- Use your aircon on speeds exceeding 80kms per hour
- Open windows at speeds less than 80kms
- Keep up with servicing of your car

KEEPING UP WITH MAINTANENCE

- Top up oils and water regularly
- Get your car serviced at the correct intervals
- Ensure you change filters when recommended
- Check the treads on you tyres
- Check the condition of your windscreen wipers especially when your car is parked outdoors most of the time
- Check tyre pressure
- Try to check for leaks
- Rotate and balance your tyres for even wearing and stronger brake control
- Check brakes for wearing regularly or at least at service and rego time

All these items can be checked by your mechanic. Take the time to make these a priority when travelling long distances.

GOING ON A HOLIDAY

Make sure your car servicing is up to date
Top up oils and water
Pack some water in a canteen for unexpected times
Check the condition and wearing of your windscreen wipers - change if necessary
Check the condition, pressure and wearing of your tyres - change if necessary
Check the condition of seatbelts
Check that all child seating is applicable and abides by the Roads and Maritime Services regulations
Have all phones charged and put away in a glove box - 'Keep yor hands off it'
Check that your brakes are working properly - if in doubt get your mechanic to check them
Check your handbrake for security
Take a small tool box. Screw driver, duct tape, wrench and maybe even a flash light
Take a an hour before you go on your trip to wash your car. Bugs and insects will be attracted to your car whilst driving so a least start yor drive with a clean car
Take some plastic bags. Keeping a clean car makes the drive feel more enjoyable
Road side assistance is important too. Check that it is up to date.
Check the numbers on your phone and maybe even write some numbers on a piece of paper - just in case

INSURANCE FOR YOUR CAR

Write a list of the things you will need for the future with your car
Priorities what is necessary and what is least necessary
Seach the internet to find insurance that is competitive with your needs
Always consider that the cheaper the payment the higher the excess
Consider the amount of travel and usage of your car - as this might reduce your insurance cost

RENTING A CAR

Search for a reputable rental company
Before renting always ask to see the disclosure statement
Check that insurance is current of the car
Check what the excess charges are on the vehicle if the need arises
Check the dents and any type of damage on the car prior to driving away, ensure your sign documentation agreeing to the damage on the car
Check that the daily rates apply and does not include a levy charge
Check the conditions for fuel consumption
Check the dates for returning your car is the same as the document you are signing

BUYING A CAR

Buying a car can be a tough one if you haven't got an expert person helping you make the decision. Here are some helpful tips on how to get your car with less headache and worries.

Ensure you're buying your car from a reputable dealer

Research everything there is everything you need to know about the car you have chosen

If your car is not new - check under the bonnet for oil leaks and under the car for water leaks

Ask to see a log book and check the service history on the car

Check Revs for any amounts outstanding on the car

Call an insurance company and get an estimate on insurance

Surf the net for information on the car - including forums where others have commented about the car you've chosen.

Check the tyres for wear and tear

Check seat belts for wear and tear

Check steering wheel for wear and tear

Check that all electronics are in good order including side mirrors, seats and mirrors

If the car has airconditioning - check it is cooling properly

Take the car for a drive and include a drive on a freeway to ensure that all noises or vibrations are felt

Check what warranty is provided with the car after you have purchased your car

Check the condition of the shell of the car. Most cars are fixed and are undetectable, however if you have the slightest concern ask a specialist to check the car

If however, you feel you are still interested in the car and would like an expert opinion feel free to call us. F.C.A.R can inspect the car. Our service is not FREE however, we will give you an extensive report on the car and give you reassurance.

CAR ACCIDENTS

If the collision is **SERIOUS!!**

Ensure all people involved in the accident do not need medical attention. If so, dial 000 immediately and do not move the victim, ensure that they are responding to you and advise the operator exactly what is happening. All other matters will be dealt with by the police or accident officers.

On the less serious side.

Minor accidents can be dealt with without any police or authoritative persons.

Make sure, if possible, move your vehicle out of traffic to a side street or side of the road.

Get out of your vehicle and analyse the accident and who was at fault

You will need to exchange details so ensure the following is written down name, address (check the back of the licence to ensure no change of address has occurred), licence number and card number, phone number mobile and work or home & insurance details

You can go that step further and request a signed consent letter stating the details of the car accident and who was at fault and have both drivers sign

If there are witnesses that are willing to help in any dispute ensure that their names, phone numbers and addresses are documented and signed

These days police do not need to attend an accident scene unless someone was hurt or a car needs to be towed. However, ensure that you call and report the accident and obtain a number for your insurance purposes

TIPS FOR AVOIDING CAR ACCIDENTS

Ensuring that your car is in good order and your attention is always on the road, with the least amount of distractions, accidents are brought down to a bear minimum.

Always ensure that your passenger and you are correctly restrained in the car at all times. Keep up to date with all child safety restraining regulations, as these from time to time change.

Ensure that in wet weather you try to slow down and pull over in heavy rainfall.

Ensure that when jumping in and out of the car that you try to dry the soles of your shoes before putting your shoe on the pedals.

Ensure that the children are occupied, uneasy children can cause stress within the car and cause you to be distracted from the road.

Ensure mobile phones are out of hands reach and that you have your car fitted with blue tooth or a hands free kit.

Make sure if the need to pull over arises that you do it safely and in a safe area.

Ensure that if you have broken down that you put your hazards on and attempt to push your car to a safe area.

Have the numbers of tow truck drivers and emergency contact numbers written in your car and left in a glove box.

Happy and Safe driving to you and your passengers!

TRAVELLING WITH KIDS

Keeping your children entertained in the car with favourite books, colouring books, small board games, electronic games. Movies are also a great way of occupying children.

Ensure that they have gone to the bathroom prior to starting your trip.

Have light and healthy snacks in the car to avoid over excitement.

Try to travel in the night when children are most likely to be sleeping. Ensure that you have had enough sleep and are well rested when driving.

Stop frequently for stretching and a bit of rest time for yourself and passengers.

Letting the children pack a travel bag helps them become more excited about their road trip.

Try to travel with another adult for that time when things get a little hard.