

Fuel saving tips

With fuel prices at an all-time high, customers' disposable income is being hit hard, here are some simple tips to how simple changes can improve your fuel economy and save you money.

This document is intended for guidance only and the amount saved will be different depending on your car, engine size, fuel type, vehicle age and driving style.



1. KEEP IT PUMPED

Keep your tyres pumped up to the correct pressure before you set out. Underinflated tyres could be **increasing your fuel consumption by 3%**.



2. SLOW AND STEADY

Keeping your speed lower will help you get further for less! Travelling at 10mph over the national speed limit will use an extra 10% of fuel. In fact, driving at a steady 50mph instead of 70mph can **improve fuel economy by 20-30%**.

**Drive appropriate to the speed limits of roads and weather conditions*



3. SMOOTHLY DOES IT

Harsh braking and accelerating can waste **up to 60% more fuel** than pulling away gently. Anticipate the road ahead, use gears efficiently and drive appropriately will help you benefit from better fuel consumption.



4. TIP-TOP CONDITION

Regular servicing and maintenance of your vehicle will keep it in **optimum condition and efficiency**. Make sure you keep up with your vehicle's MOT and service history to prolong its condition and performance.



5. DON'T BE A DRAG

Excess weight and drag from roof boxes and bike racks can impact fuel consumption - if they are not needed remove the items!

An extra 50kg of weight in your car **will increase fuel consumption by 1-2%**.

Some other things you may wish to consider:

- * Plan your route to avoid sitting in traffic jams
- * Avoid multiple short journeys – keep starting a cold engine will generally use twice as much energy as a warm engine
- * Avoid overuse of air conditioning and heating systems as they impact fuel consumption.

Sources: Kwikfit.com; fuel-economy.co.uk; Michelin.co.uk; rac.co.uk