Don't ignore the brakes

Like too many parts on a car, the brakes are often neglected because they are so reliable and durable.

After a car has been slowed and stopped many thousands of times, the brake linings or disc pads will wear out, but this happens so gradually that the driver may not be sensitive to the changes that result.

Therefore, brakes should be inspected at least once a year, and the fluid level in the master cylinder should be checked at least every 5,000 miles, says the Automotive Information Council.

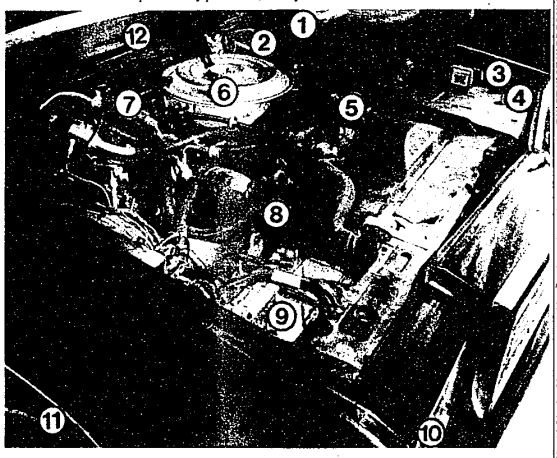
If a lining is allowed to wear through, the metal rivets or a portion of the brake shoe may scrape or score the brake drum. This will result in the need for reconditioning or replacement.

More than any other factor, your driving habits affect the life of your car's brakes, so unless you have to make a sudden stop as a safety precaution, don't slam on the brakes. Also, try to anticipate stops, not only to save the wear on the brakes but on the tires as well.

Don't "ride" the brakes when driving. That practice also causes premature wear. It does nothing for fuel mileage, either..

Because brake wear is so gradual, the following items may tip you off to the need for brake repair or inspection:

- Brakes pull car to one side — This indicates worn linings, fluid on the linings or worn suspension parts.
- Brakes chatter — A drum is out-of-round, a lining is loose or a disc is warped.
- Metallic grinding when stopping — Brake shoes or pads worn completely through.
- Spongy brake pedal — The brake system is low on fluid or there is air in the hydralic lines.
- Pedal goes almost to the floor — The brake system needs more brake fluid.



Winter checkpoints

A good winter check list includes these 12 items: 1. Motor oil dipstick — check level. 2. Master cylinder — check brake fluid level. 3. Windshield washer reservoir — keep it full. 4. Radiator — check coolant level and anti-freeze strength. 5. Power steering fluid dipstick — check level. 6. Air filter — replace if dirty. 7. Automatic transmission fluid dipstick — check level with motor running. 8. Belts — test tension and replace if frayed or cracked. 9. Battery — clean terminals and check fluid level. 10. Lights, turn signals — be sure they work. 11. Tires — check pressure and wear. 12. Windshield wipers — replace if worn.

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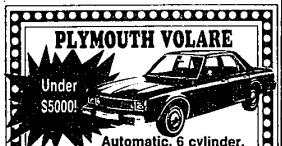

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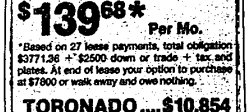

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