

Windshield Washers

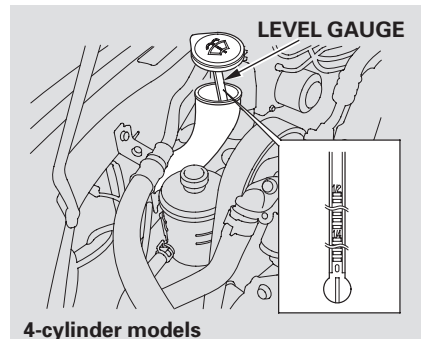
Check the level in the windshield washer reservoir at least monthly during normal use.

Check the reservoir's fluid level by removing the cap and looking at the level gauge attached to the cap.

On Canadian models: The low washer level indicator comes on when the level is low (see page 63).

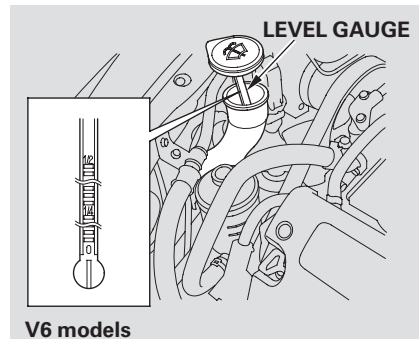
Fill the reservoir with a good-quality windshield washer fluid. This increases the cleaning capability and prevents freezing in cold weather.

When you refill the reservoir, clean the edges of the windshield wiper blades with windshield washer fluid on a clean cloth. This will help to condition the blade edges.



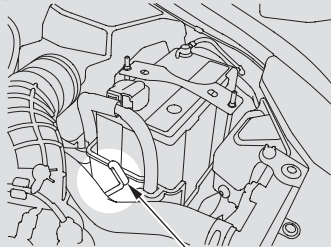
NOTICE

Do not use engine antifreeze or a vinegar/water solution in the windshield washer reservoir. Antifreeze can damage your vehicle's paint, while a vinegar/water solution can damage the windshield washer pump. Use only commercially-available windshield washer fluid.



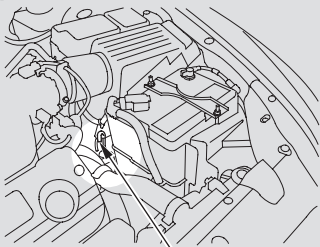
Automatic Transmission

4-cylinder models



DIPSTICK

6-cylinder models

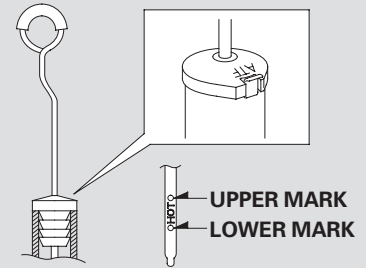


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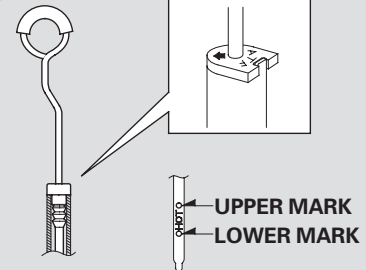
Check the fluid level with the engine at normal operating temperature.

1. Park the vehicle on level ground. Start the engine until the radiator fan comes on and rotate it once. Turn off the engine. For accurate results, wait at least 60 seconds, and no more than 90 seconds, after turning off the engine to check the fluid level.
2. Remove the dipstick (yellow loop) from the transmission, and wipe it with a clean cloth.

4-cylinder models



6-cylinder models



3. Insert the dipstick all the way into the transmission.

Make sure the rubber cap on the dipstick fits in the dipstick guide and that you push the dipstick in all the way.

4. Remove the dipstick and check the fluid level. It should be between the upper and lower marks.

5. If the level is below the lower mark, remove the fill plug, then add the fluid into the hole to bring it to the level between the upper and lower marks on the dipstick.

Pour the fluid slowly and carefully so you do not spill any. Clean up any spill immediately; it could damage components in the engine compartment.

Always use Honda ATF-Z1 (automatic transmission fluid). If it's not available, you may use a DEXRON® III automatic transmission fluid as a temporary replacement. However, continued use can affect the shift quality. Have the transmission flushed and refilled with Honda ATF-Z1 as soon as it is convenient.

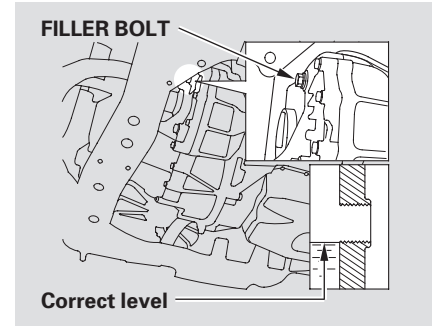
To thoroughly flush the transmission, the technician should drain and refill it with Honda ATF-Z1 (Automatic Transmission Fluid), then drive the vehicle for a short distance. Do this three times. Then drain and refill the transmission a final time.

6. Insert the dipstick all the way back into the transmission securely as shown in the illustration.

The transmission should be drained and refilled with new fluid according to the maintenance minder (see page 193).

If you are not sure how to add fluid, contact your dealer.

5-speed Manual Transmission



4-cylinder models

Check the fluid level with the transmission at normal operating temperature and the vehicle sitting on level ground. Remove the transmission filler bolt, and carefully feel inside the bolt hole with your finger.

Transmission Fluid

The fluid level should be up to the edge of the bolt hole. If it is not, add Honda Manual Transmission Fluid (MTF) until it starts to run out of the hole. Reinstall the filler bolt, and tighten it securely.

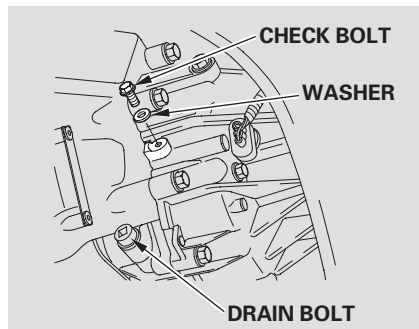
If Honda MTF is not available, you may use an SAE 10W-30 or 10W-40 viscosity motor oil with the API Certification seal that says “FOR GASOLINE ENGINES” as a temporary replacement. However, motor oil does not contain the proper additives, and continued use can cause stiffer shifting. Replace as soon as it is convenient.

The transmission should be drained and refilled with new fluid according to the maintenance minder (see page [193](#)).

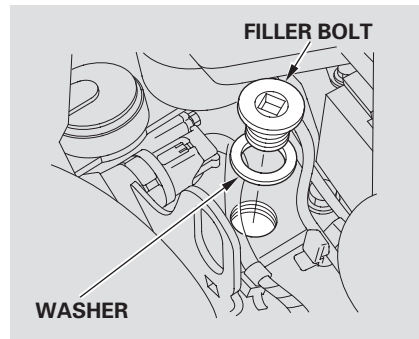
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6-speed Manual Transmission *EX-V6*

Check the fluid level with the transmission at normal operating temperature and the vehicle sitting on level ground.



Remove the check bolt and look for transmission fluid coming out of the bolt hole. If a small amount of fluid drips out of the bolt hole, reinstall the check bolt.



If no fluid comes out, remove the filler bolt. Slowly add Honda Manual Transmission Fluid (MTF) until it starts to run out of the check bolt hole. Let the fluid run out until it stops, then reinstall the check bolt and the filler bolt.