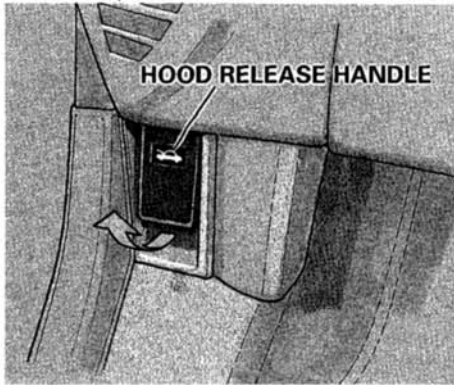
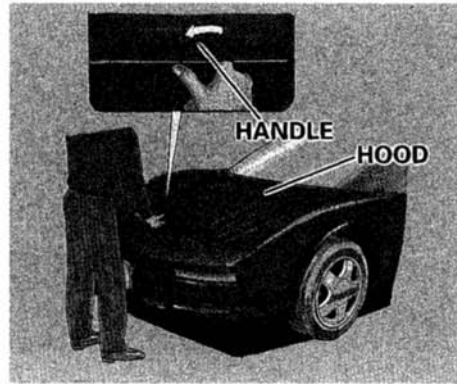


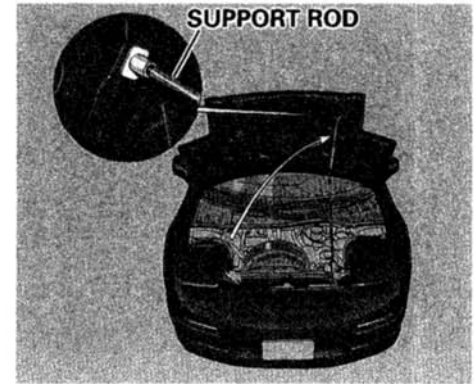
## Checking the Front Compartment



1. Pull the hood release handle, located under the left lower corner of the dashboard. Shift to Park or Neutral and set the parking brake.



2. Standing in front of the car, put your fingers under the front edge of the hood to the right of center. Slide your hand to the left until you feel the hood latch handle. Push this handle to the left until it releases the hood. Lift the hood.

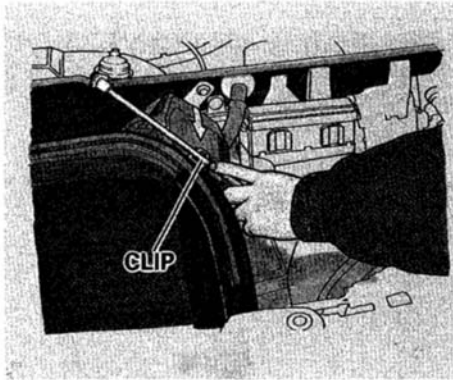


3. Pull the support rod out of its clip and insert the end into the square hole on the right side of the hood.
4. To close the hood, lift it up slightly to remove the support rod from the hole.

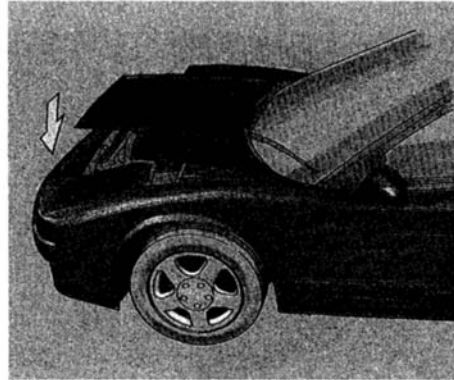
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## Service Station Procedures

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5. Snap the support rod back into its holding clip.



6. To close the hood, lower the hood about halfway down and let the hood drop. Make sure the hood is securely latched.

Refer to **Maintenance** on pages [119-165](#) for instructions on how to check items under the hood.

The condition of your car and your driving habits are the two most important things that affect the fuel mileage you get.

### Vehicle Condition

Always maintain your car according to the maintenance schedule. This will keep it in top operating condition. An important part of that maintenance is the **Periodic Checks** (see page 125). Check the tire pressure at least monthly. An underinflated tire causes more "rolling resistance," which uses fuel. It also wears out faster. In winter, the build-up of snow on your car's underside adds weight and rolling resistance.

### Driving Habits

You can improve fuel economy by driving moderately. Rapid acceleration, cornering, and hard braking use more fuel. Always drive in the highest gear that allows the engine to run and accelerate smoothly. Maintain a constant speed when cruising, depending on traffic conditions. Every time you slow down and speed up, your car uses extra fuel. Use the cruise control, when appropriate, to increase fuel economy.

A cold engine uses more fuel than a warm engine. When you first start your car in the morning, do not let it idle for a long period. Drive away as soon as the engine is running smoothly. To cut down on the number of "cold starts," try to combine several short trips into one.

The air conditioner puts an extra load on the engine which makes it use more fuel. To cut down on air conditioner use, set the climate control to a higher temperature. You could also manually turn off the A/C and use the ventilation only.

## Accessories

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Your Acura dealer has many Genuine Acura Accessories that allow you to personalize your car. These have all been approved for installation and use on your car, and are covered by warranty.

Some non-Acura accessories you can purchase in the "aftermarket" are designed for universal applications. Although they may fit your NSX, they may not be within factory specifications. For example, aftermarket wheels may not meet Acura's specifications for width and offset. They could cause suspension problems which would not be covered by your warranty. Improperly-designed accessories can adversely affect your car's handling and stability.

Your car has several computer-controlled systems, including the SRS system, the engine's fuel injection, Anti-lock Brake system and the Traction Control system. Strong electronic interference can affect their operation.

Electronic communications equipment, such as cellular telephones and two-way radios are regulated by the FCC and should not interfere with your car's systems. Improper installation, or using electrical equipment not intended for mobile use may interfere with your car's operation. If you want to install a cellular telephone, other mobile communications equipment or even add-on stereo amplifiers, please discuss it first with your Acura dealer.

In many cases, improper installation is the real cause of problems with aftermarket accessories. Have these accessories installed by qualified technicians who are familiar with your NSX. If possible, have your Acura dealer inspect the final installation.

Any packages or other items you want to transport should be stored in the trunk. They should be no heavier than 100 lbs (45 kg). If you must carry something in the passenger compartment that is too large to fit in the glove box, store it on the passenger side floor.

Do not store anything under the driver's seat. It can roll forward and block the pedals or your feet. You may not be able to brake or release the clutch.

The front compartment is not for carrying cargo. Parts of the Anti-lock brake system, SRS, and other systems are in the front compartment and could be accidentally damaged. Cargo may also restrict airflow through the radiator, causing overheating of the engine. Storing cargo in the area between the rear window and engine cover cuts your vision to the rear.

### **WARNING**

**The trunk gets very hot while driving. Carrying flammable liquids or aerosol products in the trunk can cause a fire or explosion.**

**Never carry flammable liquids or aerosol products in the trunk.**

Because it is a sealed compartment next to the engine, the trunk can get very warm. Be careful of the type of items you store in it. Highly-flammable liquids (gasoline, kerosene) or aerosol cans could possibly catch fire or explode. Fresh or frozen food could spoil if left in the trunk for very long. Use the trunk to transport normal luggage, sports equipment, etc.