

WIPER FLUID CHECK AND CHANGE

Do you know what is in your windshield wiper reservoir? It is recommended that you add a solvent suited for cold weather as soon as summer ends.

It may cost you a few dollars more at your auto care center, but will be well worth the spending if you're stuck in a potentially dangerous situation. Look for fluid that can stand up to freezing temperatures, snow and ice.

CHANGING YOUR FLUID

The process of changing your wiper fluid is an easy one.

- Open your hood and locate the reservoir, usually marked with a windshield wiper icon on the cap.
- Check the outside of the container – which should be opaque – to see if your coolant is below the required-level lines.
- If so, add the appropriate quantity of properly diluted fluid into the reservoir.

CHECKING WASHER PUMP

Checking your wiper system ahead of the winter freeze is important to ensure proper working order. If you're experiencing issues with the feature, you can troubleshoot the pump by turning your key to the "on" position without starting the engine.

Listen carefully when you try to use the washer fluid. Do you hear a humming sound? If you're having a hard time hearing the pump and there someone is nearby, ask them to listen closely.

If you don't hear any sounds, check the fuses. The owner's manual will explain which fuse belongs to the windshield washer pump. If the fuses do not appear to be damaged or worn, this is a sign that you may need to have the motor replaced.



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