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VEHICLE MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST

A practical printable checklist for routine vehicle checks between services. Always follow the vehicle manufacturer's service schedule and have faults inspected when needed.

Customer:		Date:	
Vehicle:		Mileage:	
Registration:		Next service due:	

ROUTINE CHECKS

Done	Maintenance item	What to check
☐	Engine Oil	Check level and watch for sudden changes, dark/contaminated oil or leaks.
☐	Coolant	Check when the engine is cold. Watch for coolant loss, leaks or overheating.
☐	Brake Fluid	Check level and note warning lights or changes in brake-pedal feel.
☐	Tyre Pressure	Check all tyres, including the spare where applicable.
☐	Tyre Condition	Inspect tread, cuts, cracking, bulges and uneven wear.
☐	Brakes	Listen for grinding/squealing and note vibration or reduced braking performance.
☐	Battery	Watch for slow starting, weak electrical performance or terminal corrosion.
☐	Lights & Indicators	Check headlights, brake lights, indicators, reverse and number-plate lights.
☐	Wipers & Washer System	Check blade condition and washer operation/fluid.
☐	Belts & Hoses	Inspect visible belts and hoses for cracking, wear, leaks, swelling or damage.
☐	Suspension & Steering	Note knocking, pulling, looseness or uneven tyre wear.
☐	Fluid Leaks	Look under the vehicle for fresh oil, coolant, brake-fluid or other leaks.

QUICK MONTHLY CHECK

☐ Oil and coolant levels	☐ Fresh leaks under the vehicle
☐ Tyre pressure and tread	☐ Lights and indicators
☐ Wiper operation	☐ New or unusual noises
☐ Dashboard warning lights	☐ Changes in braking or steering feel

BEFORE A LONG TRIP

☐ Tyre pressure and condition	☐ Oil and coolant levels
☐ Brake performance	☐ Battery condition
☐ Lights and indicators	☐ Wipers and washer fluid
☐ Visible fluid leaks	☐ Spare wheel and basic tools

MAINTENANCE RECORD / NOTES

Date / Mileage	Work completed / item replaced

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