

The Northern Territory is a great place to visit but the road conditions and distances between sites of interest are unique.

The Northern Territory Road Safety Branch recommends before you buy a car for travelling, you have it checked by an authorised person to make sure it is roadworthy. It could save your life. If you have any questions please call:

Motor Vehicle Registry
8999 3111

Motor Traders Association
8947 6990

Territory Insurance Office
8946 2338

VEHICLE ROADWORTHINESS

All vehicles driven on Northern Territory roads must be roadworthy and registered. Ensure that your car is roadworthy before you travel. Check that tyres, brakes, lights, windscreen wipers and glass are all in good working order.

Helpful hints for safer driving

Seat belts - Australian law requires seat belts be worn at all times.

Brakes - Check your brake fluid regularly. If you travel through deep water make sure you dry out your brakes.

Tyres - Check tyres tread and pressure weekly. Bald tyres can cause accidents.

Windscreen wipers - Check you have good rubbers. This is very important in wet conditions.

Lights - when travelling long distances, leave your lights on at all times. This makes it easy for other road users to see you.

Radiator - Check the water level every day.

Windscreen - Make sure your windscreen is clean at all times.

Long distance driving - Take a break every two hours. If you feel tired stop driving.

Speed - Always drive at a speed that allows you to stop for any hazards you will encounter on the road.

Wet roads - always increase the distance between the car in front of you so you can stop safely.

Road trains - To overtake a road train safely you should be able to see at least 1 km of clear road ahead.

Buying an old car for travelling?



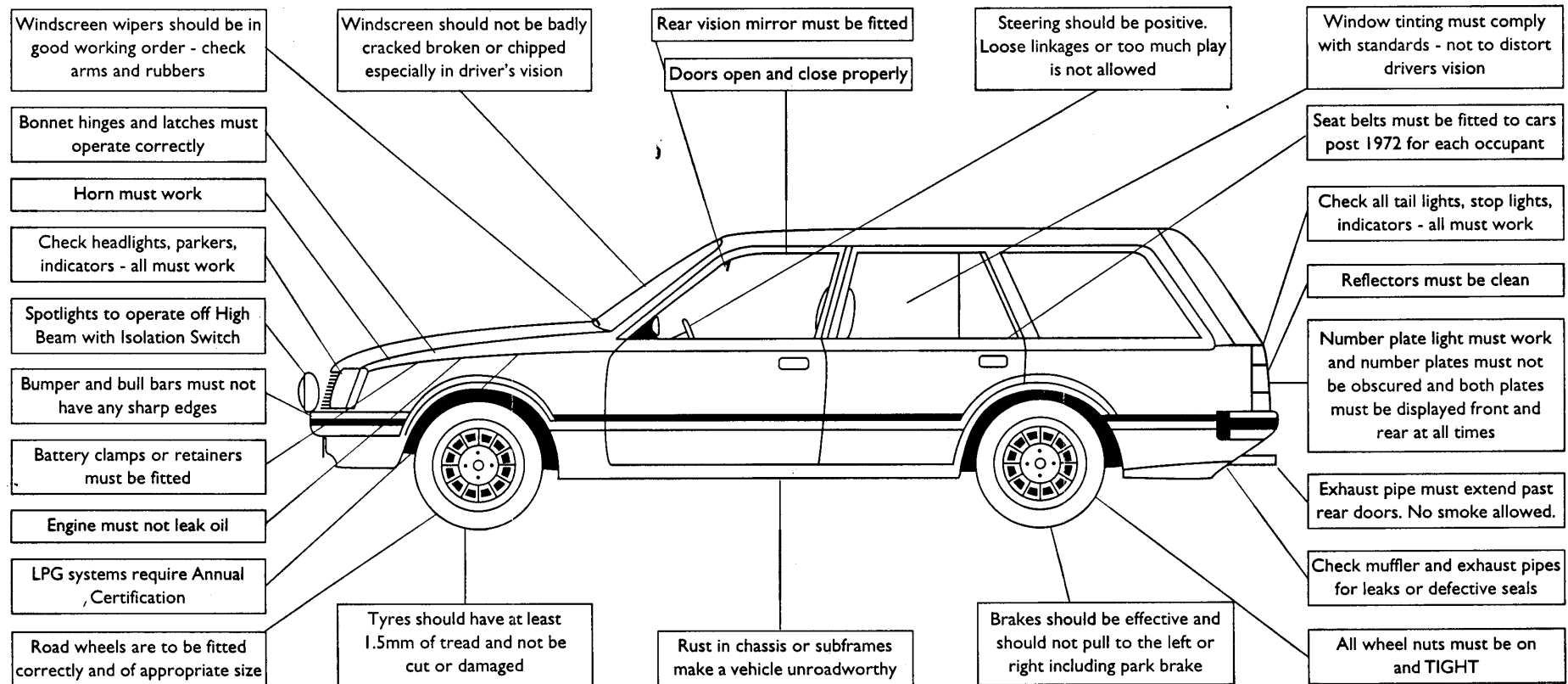
For information on road safety issues contact the Department of Planning and Infrastructure in Darwin on 8924 7369 or in Alice Springs on 8951 5560

TIO supports road safety activities in the NT through motor accident compensation contributions received from motorists.


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Tips for keeping your vehicle safe



Survive the drive