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A Guide to Mercedes Sprinter Hire Vans - Part 1 - Engine and Exterior

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This is a users guide for people who rent our [Premium rental vans](#) and [High Roof Premium Rental Vans](#). It is a useful resource if you are rent a van for an extended period of time or are going abroad in one of the vehicles. This guide serves as an introduction to these vans and is useful to customers who take an interest in the van that they drive. There is quite a lot to get through so we have split the guide into two sections. This first section is devoted to the engine bay and simple checks the customer can carry out themselves. The [second section](#) is devoted to internal areas and operation of certain components.

Getting Fuel into your Hire Van.

The Fuel flap on your hire van is located directly behind the passenger door. The door acts as a lock for the flap and it cannot be opened while the passenger door is shut. Simply open the passenger door and pull the flap open. These hire vans take diesel and carry around 70 litres of fuel.



Opening The bonnet and performing simple fluid level checks.

The bonnet is opened via a level located in the passenger footwell. Simply pull the level and the bonnet releases.

Under the front lip of the bonnet there is a release tap, press this upward and pull the bonnet up. You now have access to the fluid indicators and dipstick for oil.



Oil Check - This is a critical check if you are operating a hire van for an extended period of time or over great distance

s. An engine run low on oil can be destroyed quite quickly.

On the Sprinter hire van there is a red dipstick located on the right hand side of the engine. To check the vans oil level, remove the dipstick, wipe with a cloth and insert to get a reading. The dipstick has a max and min indicator. If your vehicle is showing a low oil reading contact our van hire reception and we will organise assistance for you.

Typically if a vehicle is low on oil, a warning indicator will appear on the



dash. However a simple check is good practice.



Water Check -This is a quick and simple visual check. To the left of the dipstick there is a white tank with a black top. One the tank there are two levels Min and Max. The fluid level should be bgetween these two levels.

Checking of the hire vehicles coolant ensures that there is sufficient fluid to keep the engine and its ancillaries at a proper operating temperature.

If you notice your coolant level guage rise above normal inside the vehicle this is the test you should perform.

Never take the coolant tank cap off while the engine is warm on your rental van.



Brake Fluid Levels.

The braking system on a vehicle should really only be checked by a trained mechanic.

However it is good practice to keep an eye on brake fluid levels. These should remain constant, if your brake fluids are low, it is idicative of a leak in the system and should be reported to us immediatly so we can rectify the problem. Again the tank kas max and minimum markers for you to use.



Washer Bottle Levels - While not as important as the coolant levels or oil

status in your vehicle, it

s nice to be able

to see out of your van. The top of the tank is visible on the right side of the engine bay. Use a quality screen wash, washing up liquid is not really suitable.

We check these levels on day hire vehicles, but if you are out for an extended period of time , you will need to top up the washer yourself.

Part 2 of this guide covers some of the interior features of your rental van and explains the use of doors, locking and storage in your vehicle.



We hope the above has been of some use to you and aids in your enjoyment of your hire van, if you have any specific enquiries , please pick up the phone and ring the rental desk in Dublin on 01-4592069.



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