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OUTLINE

SPECIFICATIONS

Wheels			Tires			
Size	Offset	Diameter of pitch circle	Number of fixing holes	Material	Size	Tire pressure
Standard tire						
*7-JJx16 RH *7-JJx16 LH	40 mm 114.3 mm (1.57 in) (4.5 in)		_	5 Aluminum	*205/55 VR16 (Directional)	216 kPa (2.2 kg/cm², 32 psi)
6-JJx15 RH 6-JJx15 LH		-	3		205/60 VR 15 (Directional)	
5.5-JJx14		4	Steel or Aluminum	185/70 HR 14 185/70 R14 87H		
Temporary spa	are tire					
4-Tx16 (1.18 in) 4-Tx15 40 mm (1.57 in)	114.3 mm	5	*Aluminum Steel	T135/70 D16	415 kPa	
			4	Aluminum	T135/70 D15	(4.2 kg/cm², 60 psi)

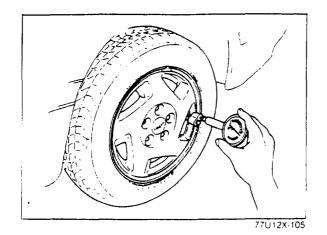
^{*}For turbo model

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TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

Problem	Possible Cause	Remedy	Page
Excessive or irregular tire wear	Incorrect tire pressure Unbalanced wheel(s) Tires not rotated correctly Severe driving Improper toe-in adjustment	Adjust Adjust Rotate properly Advise driver Adjust	12- 4 12- 3 12- 3 -
Premature tire wear	Incorrect tire pressure	Adjust	12 4
Tire squeal	Incorrect tire pressure Tire deterioration	Adjust Replace	12- 4
Road noise or body vibration	Insufficient tire pressure Unbalanced wheel(s) Deformed wheel(s) or tire(s) Irregular tire wear	Adjust Adjust Repair or replace Replace	12— 4 12— 3 —
Steering wheel vibration	Irregular tire wear Right and left tread depths different Deformed or unbalanced wheel(s) Deformed tire(s) Unequal tire pressures Loose lug nuts	Replace Replace Replace or adjust Replace Adjust Tighten	12— 3 — 12— 4 12— 5
Uneven (one-sided) braking	Unequal tire pressures	Adjust	12— 4
Steering wheel doesn't return properly, or pulls to one side (pulls to one side while vehicle is moving on a level road_surface)	Incorrect tire pressure Irregular tire wear (left and right are different) Unequal tire pressures Different types or brands of tires mixed (right/left) Improperly tightened lug nuts	Adjust Replace Adjust Replace Tighten	12— 4 — 12— 4 — 12— 5
General driving instability	Unequal tire pressures Deformed or unbalanced wheel(s) Loose lug nuts	Adjust Replace Tighten	12— 4 — 12— 5
Excessive steering wheel play	Loose lug nuts Improperly adjusted front wheel bearing preload	Tighten Adjust	12— 5 —

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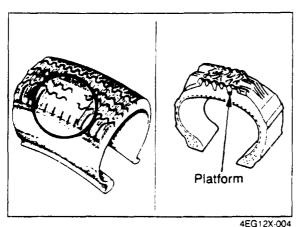
WHEELS AND TIRES

INSPECTION AND ADJUSTMENTS

Check the following and adjust or replace as necessary.

1. Air pressure.

Check the air pressure of all tires, including the spare tire, with an air pressure gauge. (See specifications on page 12—2)



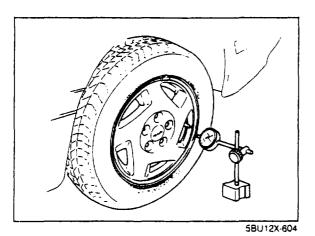
2. Tire wear

Wear Limit

Ordinary tires: 1.6 mm (0.063 in) min. (Tire should be replaced if wear-indicators are exposed.)

Snow tires: 50% of tread

(Tire should be replaced if platform is exposed.)



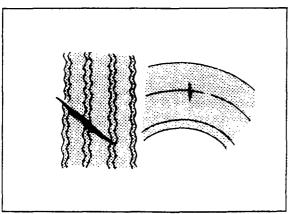
3. Wheel runout.

Wheel Runout

Horizontal: 2.0 mm (0.079 in) max. Vertical: 2.0 mm (0.079 in) max.

Note

Measure the runout while turning the tire and wheel.

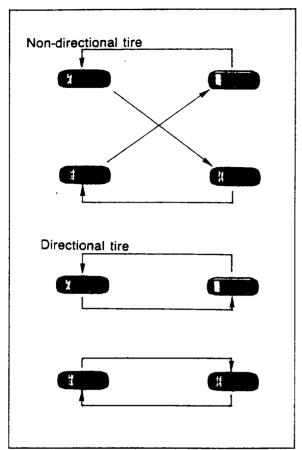


4. Cracks, damage, or foreign matter (metal pieces, nails, stones, etc.) in the tire, and cracks, deformation, or damage to the wheel.

5. Loose wheel lug nut(s).

6. Air leaking from the valve stem.

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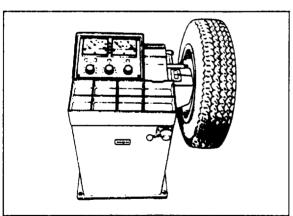
TIRE ROTATION

In order to prolong tire life and to assure uniform wear, the tires should be rotated after every 3.750 miles (6.000 km).

Caution

Do not include "TEMPORARY USE ONLY" spare tire in rotation.



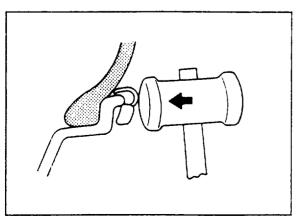


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WHEEL BALANCE

If a wheel becomes unbalanced, or if a tire is replaced or repaired, the wheel must once again be balanced to specification.

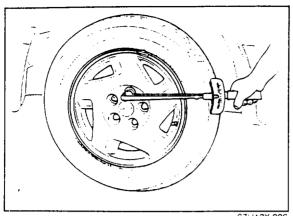
Amount of allowable unbalance (at rim edge): 10 g(0.35 oz) or less



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Note the following points when balancing a wheel.

- Do not use more than two balance weights on one side. If the total weight exceeds 100g (3.5oz), rebalance after moving the tire around on the rim.
- Attach the balance weights tightly so that they don't protrude more than 3 mm (0.12 in) out beyond the wheel surface.



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Lug nut tightening torque: 90—120 N·m (9.0—12.0 m-kg, 65—87 ft-lb)

Note

- 1. Wheel-to-hub contact surfaces must be clean.
- Never apply oil to the nuts, bolts, or wheels; doing so might cause looseness or seizure of the lug nuts.

Special Notes About Wheels and Tires

Do not use wheels or tires other than the specified types.

Notes Regarding Tire Replacement

Note the following points when tires are to be removed from or mounted onto the wheels.

- 1. Be careful not to scratch the tire bead.
- 2. Remove any pebbles, glass, nails, etc., embedded in the tire tread.
- 3. Be sure the air valve is installed correctly.
- 4. Apply a soapy solution to the tire bead and the edge of the rim.
- 5. After mounting a tire onto a wheel, inflate the tire to 245—294 Kpa (2.5—3.0 kg/cm², 36—43 psi). Check that the bead is seated correctly onto the rim, and that there are no air leaks; then reduce the pressure to specification.

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