

**SEE OTHER SIDE FOR STARTING INSTRUCTIONS
SEAT BELT INSTRUCTIONS**

**WARNING
SYSTEM**

- 1. All passengers should buckle up seat belts.**
- 2. Warning light will come on for 4 to 8 seconds after ignition is turned on regardless of seat belt usage**
- 3. Warning buzzer will sound for 4 to 8 seconds after ignition is turned on if driver's seat belt is not buckled up.**

SHOULDER BELT RETRACTOR

The shoulder belt retractor adjusts the belt automatically. The belt should unreel freely as the wearer moves around. However it is designed to "lock up" under sudden stop conditions.

OPTIONAL BELT TENSION RELIEVER

If your car is equipped with optional Deluxe Seat Belts. after buckling up, the shoulder belt tension can be relieved as follows:

- 1. Door must be closed.**
- 2. Pull shoulder belt away from body approximately 6" or 150mm and release.**
- 3. Pull shoulder belt down a small amount, approximately 3" or 75mm and release.**
IMPORTANT: Set the least amount of slack to relieve tension.
- 4. If, for any reason, excessive slack is incurred, then reset by repeating Steps 2 and 3.**

TO GET INTO REAR SEAT:

- 1. Push seat belt "boot" to the rear.**
- 2. Enter in front of seat belts.**
- 3. After getting in, push the "boot" forward so it will be easy for front seat passengers to reach the belt.**

AIR CONDITIONED VEHICLES

The vent position is recommended for use in moderate weather when refrigeration is not required. In this position, the compressor does not operate and outside rather than cooled air is discharged from the instrument panel registers. Operating your air conditioning unit in this mode and utilizing other sensible driving habits can assist in achieving good fuel economy. To help prevent fog from forming on the windshield in cool, humid weather, place the A/C system in DEFROST OR V (DEFOG) prior to starting the car. After a few minutes of operation, move the function control lever to the desired position.

MAINTENANCE

Your vehicle has been designed to operate with a minimum amount of regularly scheduled maintenance. However, it is important to the long life of your vehicle and to help maintain the desired level of fuel efficiency that maintenance be performed at the same time and/or mileage intervals specified in the owner's guide. It is recommended that maintenance work be performed using Ford Motorcraft or the equivalent replacement parts. Know your vehicle's capabilities and limitations. Read the owner's guide. Keep it handy in your car for ready reference.

COLD ENGINE

ALL ENGINES EXCEPT 2.3 LITER:

- 1. Turn the ignition key to “ON” position.**
- 2. Depress the accelerator pedal fully to the floor. Note: When outside temperature is below 10°F (-12.4°C) or when vehicle has been idle for several days, depress pedal two or three times before starting.**
- 3. Slowly release pedal completely, and remove foot from pedal.**
- 4. Turn key to “START” until engine starts, then release key. If engine fails to start. wait 3 or 4 seconds, then repeat procedure once.**
- 5. After engine starts, run for about 15 seconds. Hold foot on brake. Engage transmission, gradually release the brake and drive away.**

FOR 2.3 LITRE ENGINES ONLY DURING COLD WEATHER:

- 1. Turn ignition key to “ON” position.**
- 2. Depress the accelerator pedal slowly to floor and then slowly release it completely.**
- 3. Repeat Step #2 two or three times before attempting to start the engine.**
- 4. Turn key to “START” and crank the engine until it begins to fire. When the engine begins to fire immediately depress the accelerator pedal slightly and hold it in that position until the engine starts.**
- 5. If engine fails to start. wait three or four seconds, then repeat Steps 2, 3 and 4**
- 6. After the engine starts, let it run for about 15 seconds. Hold foot on brake and engage the transmission. Gradually release the brake and drive away in a normal manner.**

WARM ENGINE

- 1. Turn key to “ON” position.**
- 2. Press accelerator 1/4 to 1/2 way down and hold.**

CAUTION:

(Do not pump the pedal)

3. Turn key to “START” until engine is started, then release key.

NOTE

If engine fails to start using preceding instructions:

1. Press the pedal all the way to the floor and hold.
2. Turn key to “START.”
3. When engine starts, release key then release pedal gradually as engine speeds up.

DURING COLD WEATHER OR IF PAVEMENT IS SLIPPERY. let the engine idle for about one minute after starting to allow for proper warm up before engaging transmission. During this warm-up after about 30 seconds, reduce idle speed by depressing the accelerator pedal slightly and releasing it. **CAUTION:** Avoid extended or unnecessary idling. Extended idling of the engine (10 minutes or more). particularly at “high” engine speeds could produce excessive exhaust system temperatures that can damage your vehicle.

To remove ignition key after engine has been turned off, depress the button located on the lower surface of the steering column near the ignition switch.

WINDSHIELD WIPERS

To avoid streaking or smearing of windshield wipers. clean windshield and wiper blades regularly with undiluted ford "Ultraclear" or mild detergent.

