

MAINTENANCE OF COOLING SYSTEM



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- Maintaining the cooling system is crucial to ensure optimal performance and longevity of equipment.
- ♣ Check the radiator for any damage and blocks
- ♣ Check the hoses that connect radiator and engine
- ♣ Check for any leakage
- **♣** Check the fan belt
- ♣ Use clean water in the radiation
- Test thermostat and pressure cap

S.No	Complaints	Possible Cause	Check (or) correction
1	Loss of liquids	♣ External leak	♣ It can be noted by
	coolant due to leaks.	♣ Internal leak caused by a	inspection and block
		faulty gasket, loose cylinder	the leak.
		head, cracked or wrapped	♣ Proper fit gasket must
		head or, cracked engine	be placed and the
		block, which may allow some	cylinder head and
		coolant to drain into the	engine block required
		engine oil.	to be repaired.
2	Over heating	♣ Insufficient quantity of water	♣ Check the water,
		in the cooling system, coolant	coolant level and top
		loss.	up if required.
		It also caused by the clogged	♣ Clean the passages
		radiator and water passages,	and remove blockages
		in operative thermostat, too	if any present
		low engine oil level, clogged	
		exhaust system etc.	
3	Over cooling (if it	♣ A thermostat that opens too	♣ Remove the
	is running below	soon or, remains open at all	thermostat, test for its
	the normal	times.	faults and then replace
	operating range)	♣ The coolant by pass valve	it.



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		remaining open	
4	Incorrect	♣ Temperature gauge fitted on	♣ It should be either ■ The should be either
	temperature Gauge	the instrument panel may be	replaced or correct.
	reading.	faulty.	
5	Noise	Dry bearing a loose pulley on	♣ Some pumps require
		the pump shaft an impeller	the addition of a
		loose on the shaft.	special water pump
			lubricant to the
			coolant by which the
			operation become
			noise less.
6	Frozen coolant	♣ When the vehicle is parked	♣ Check the cooling
		where the temperature is	system for possible
		below freezing point.	change by the frozen
			coolant before
			operation vehicle.

Water Pump Failure

Engine is located beneath a giant metal hood for better aerodynamics and fuel efficiency, it can't rely on air flow to stay cool. Thus, it uses liquid cooling in the form of water flowing through a series of hoses in order to reduce the heat. The water circulates using a device known as a water pump, which is powered by a pulley system that's turned by your serpentine belt. If this pump fails, the water can't flow through your engine system, and your engine will quickly overheat.

Leaky Radiator Hoses

Remember how we said that water flows through your engine and cools it through a series of hoses? Well, if one of those hoses springs a leak, not only will the water not have the pressure needed to properly complete its cycle, but eventually it will drain out. Radiator leaks also lead to rapid overheating, and as the water in these lines heats up and expands, they can actually make the leak worse, which only allows the water to drain out faster. Radiator hoses become more and more likely as they age, so be sure to change them periodically.



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Radiator Leaks

Radiator is a large grid located just behind the front grill of your car. The purpose of this large and critical piece is to cool the water in your cooling system after it has absorbed heat from your engine, and it does this by running it through this grid, through which airflow from the front of the car is passed through to remove the heat. Small leaks in your radiator not only affect its ability to cool your engine, but have similar effects to a leaky radiator hose as well. However, if a rock or other piece of debris puts a large hole in your radiator, you'll probably have to replace it outright.

Thermostat Failure

A failed thermostat is another huge problem for cooling systems. Your thermostat is a device that regulates the temperature of your engine and controls how much coolant is allowed to flow through your radiator. When your engine is hot, the thermostat opens wide for maximum cooling. When your engine is cold, the thermostat remains closed, which then allows your engine to warm up to its optimal temperature faster. However, a failed thermostat may not open, preventing heat dissipation and resulting in your engine overheating and failing faster.