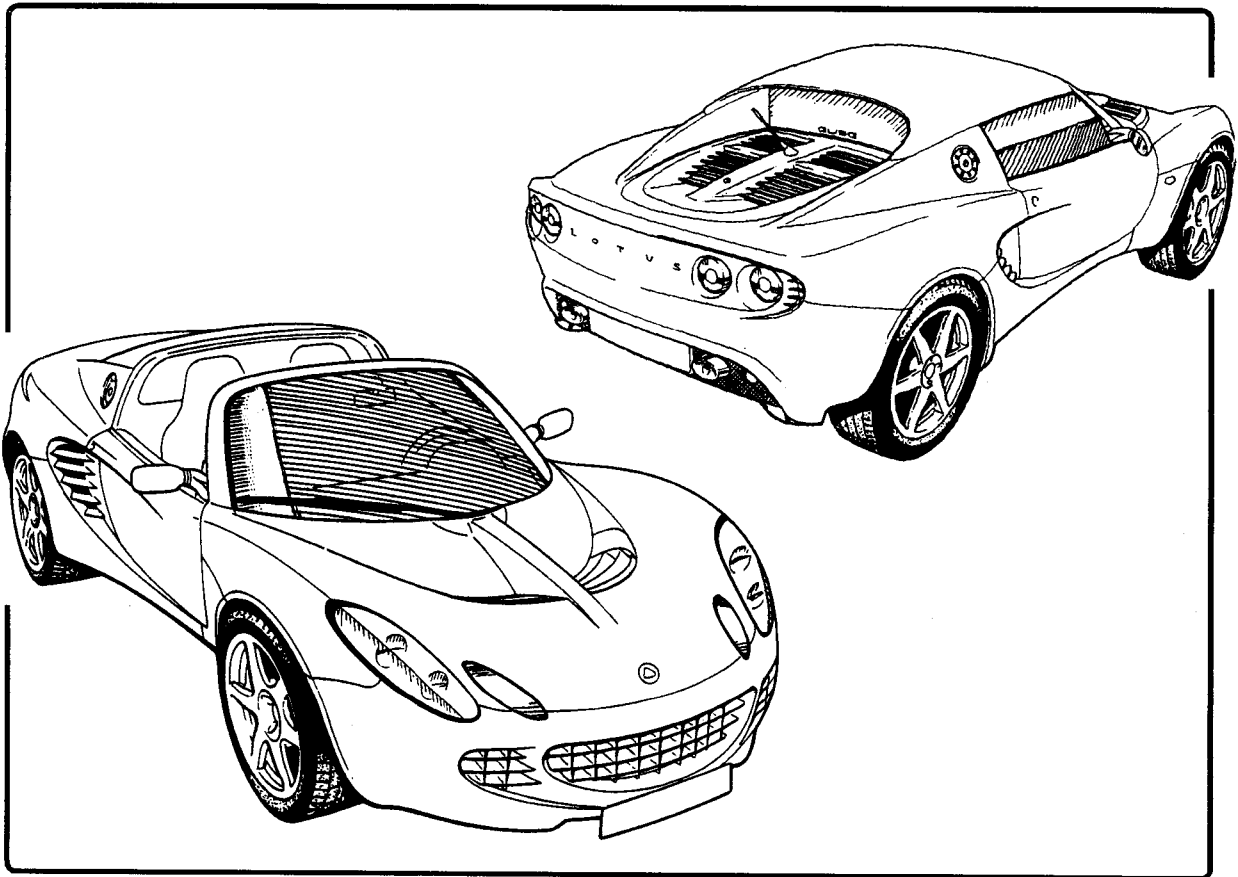


SERVICE NOTES

ELISE

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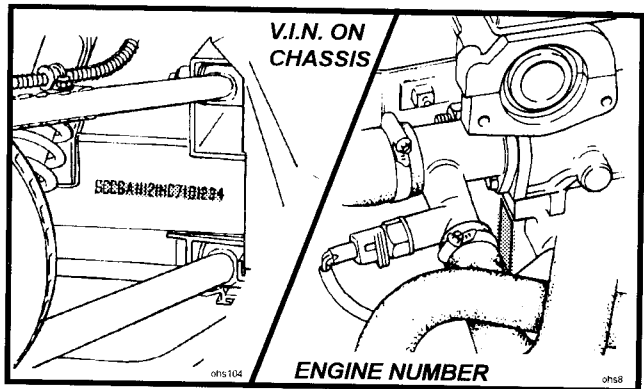
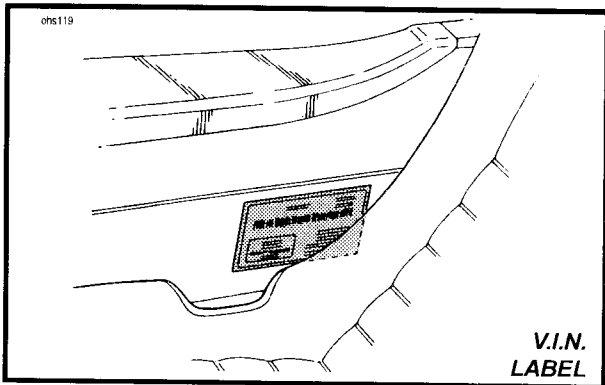
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VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER & ENGINE NUMBER

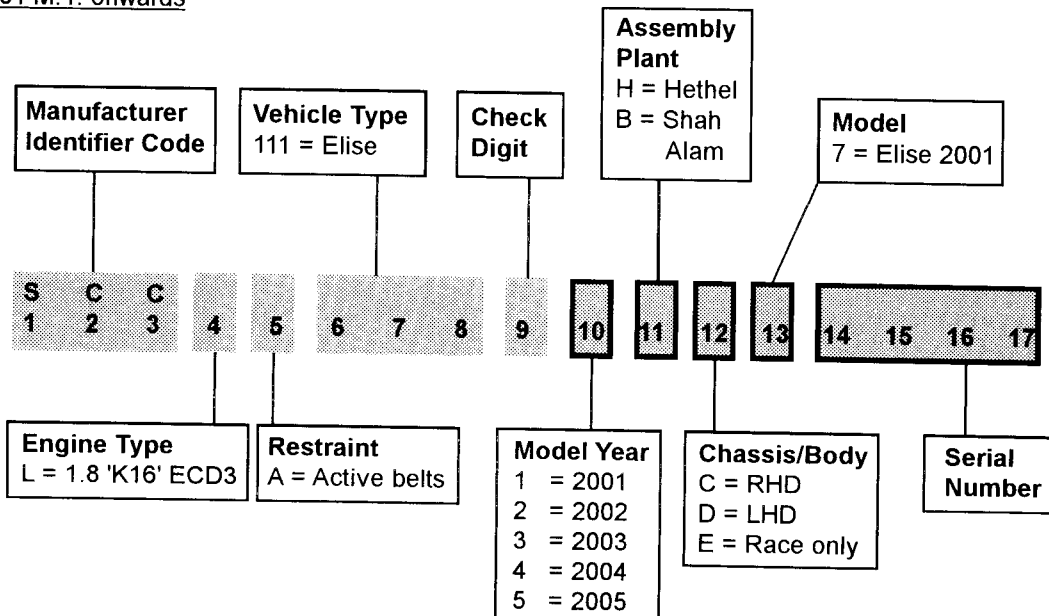
The Vehicle Identification Number (V.I.N.) is stamped on the chassis in the right hand front wheelarch area, viewable with the front wheels turned to right full lock, and is also printed on a label stuck to the inside of the chassis sideframe alongside the driver's seat. The engine number is marked on a vertical patch at the left hand end of the forward face of the cylinder block, and is most easily viewed using a mirror.

Both numbers should always be quoted with any vehicle enquiries, as Factory records are filed against V.I.N., and specification change points are identified by V.I.N. or engine number. The vehicle licence number may not accurately reflect vehicle age, may also be changed during the car's life, and is an unreliable method of vehicle identification.



The V.I.N. comprises 17 characters, coded in accordance with European Economic Community (EEC) directives. For change point identification in Service Notes, Service Bulletins and Service Parts Lists, normally, only characters 10 to 17 will be quoted.

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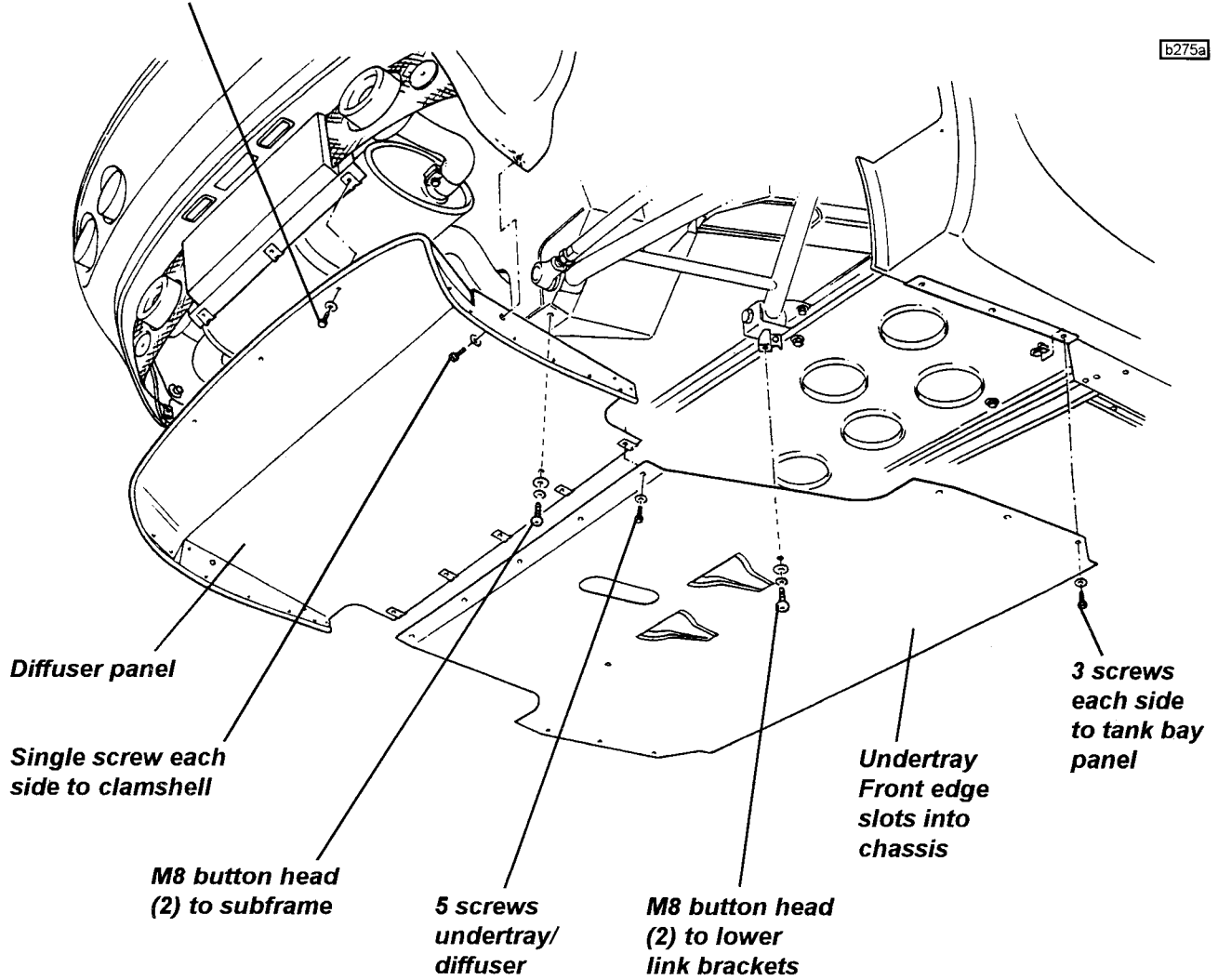
ENGINE BAY UNDERTRAY/DIFFUSER

For certain service operations, it may be necessary to remove the engine bay undertray and/or diffuser panel. The panels are retained by:

- Four M8 button head fixings needing a 5mm hexagonal key;
- Sixteen hex. head screws.

**3 screws to
licence plate plinth**

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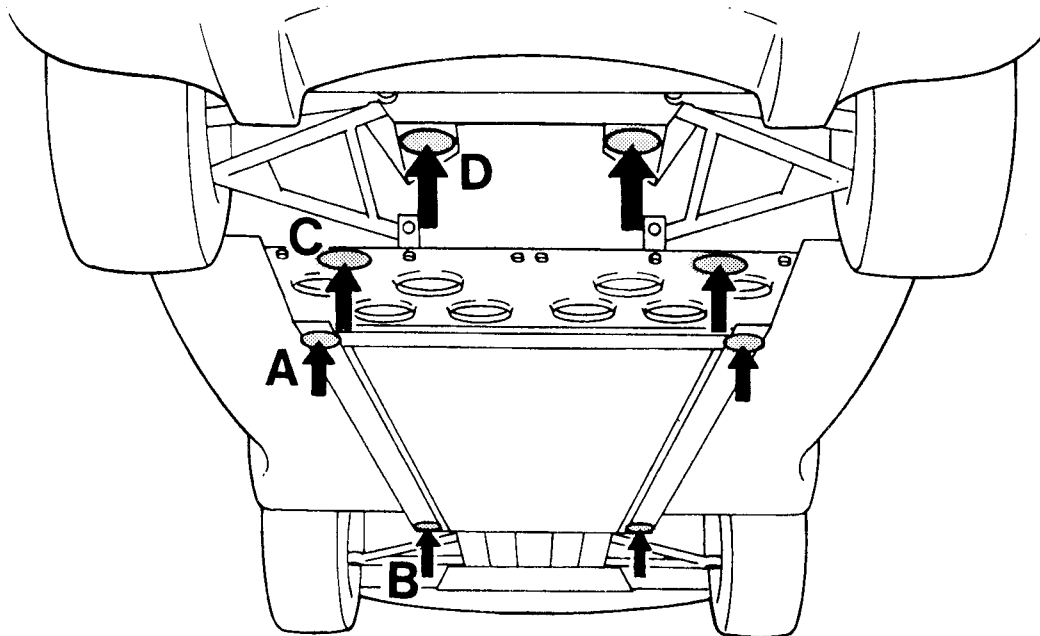


JACKING POINTS

Care must be taken when using a lifting jack or hoist only to position the device in one of the the areas shown in the illustration, with a suitable rubber or timber pad protecting the chassis from surface damage. If a 4-point lift is to be used, the engine bay undertray/diffuser panel (if fitted) must first be removed. When using a 4-point lift, it is strongly recommended that for optimum stability and safety, positions B and D are used.

- A; Identified by a blue sticker. Beneath crossmember ahead of fuel tank bay. To be used one side at a time for wheel changing - lifts both wheels on one side. *Do not use with a four point garage lift.*
- B; Beneath the front end of the right or left hand main chassis rail, behind the front wheelarch. Garage use with 4-point lift in conjunction with (C).
- C; *The engine undertray/diffuser panel must first be removed.* Beneath the outboard end of the chassis crossmember ahead of the rear wheelarches. Take care to position the jack between the fixing screws for the fuel tank bay perforated undershield. Garage use with 4-point lift in conjunction with (B).
- D; *The engine undertray/diffuser panel must first be removed.* Beneath the rear subframe, close to the lower wishbone reararmost mountings.

Jacking at any other point may damage the chassis or body structure and/or jeopardise safety.



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GENERAL

Type designation	K16 (18K4FL70)
Configuration & no. of cylinders	in-line 4
Capacity	1796 cm ³
Bore	80.00 mm
Stroke	89.30 mm
Valve actuation	Belt driven twin overhead camshafts with hydraulic tappets
Compression ratio	10.5:1 ± 0.5
Firing order	1,3,4,2
Spark plugs	Unipart GSP 66527
Spark plug gap	1.0 ± 0.5 mm
Maximum engine speed	6950 rpm
Idle speed	825 ± 50 rpm
Ignition system	Direct ignition using two double ended coils and 'wasted spark' principle
Fuel system	Fully sequential indirect fuel injection.
Fuel requirement	Unleaded 95 RON minimum
Max. net power (EEC)	89.7 kW (120 bhp; 122 PS) @ 5,600 rpm
Max. net torque (EEC)	168 Nm (124 lbf.ft) @ 4,500 rpm
Exhaust emissions	
- CO	0.4089
- HC	0.0776
- NOX	0.0411
- HC+NOX	0.1186

CYLINDER HEAD

Material	Aluminium alloy
Head face maximum warpage	0.05 mm
Cylinder head height	118.95 to 119.05 mm
- new	
- reface limit	0.20 mm

CAMSHAFTS & VALVE TIMING

Open duration	244° (at crankshaft)
Inlet valve opens	12° BTDC
Inlet valve closes	52° ABDC
Exhaust valve opens	52° BBDC
Exhaust valve closes	12° ATDC
Valve overlap	24°
Valve lift - inlet	8.8 mm
- exhaust	8.8 mm

VALVES

Angle of valve seats and faces	45°
Stem diameter - inlet	5.952 - 5.967 mm
- exhaust	5.947 - 5.962 mm
Stem clearance in guide - inlet	0.033 - 0.063 mm
- new	
- service limit	0.070 mm
- exhaust	0.038 - 0.078 mm
- new	
- service limit	0.110 mm
Valve clearance	Hydraulically controlled.
Valve stem fitted height - new	38.93 - 39.84 mm
- service limit	40.10 mm

**VALVE GUIDES**

Inside diameter 6.000 - 6.025 mm
Fitted height 6.0 mm

VALVE SEATS

Seat face angle 45°

VALVE SPRINGS

Free length 50.0 mm
Fitted length 37.0 mm
Load at fitted length 250 ± 12 N
Load at full lift 450 ± 18 N

CRANKSHAFT

Crankshaft endfloat - new 0.10 - 0.25 mm
- service limit 0.34 mm
Thrust washer thickness 2.61 - 2.65 mm
Main journal diameter 47.979 - 48.007 mm (for grading see Section EE)
Maximum out of round 0.010 mm
Big end journal diameter 47.986 - 48.007 mm (for grading see Section EE)
Maximum out of round 0.010 mm
Big end clearance 0.021 - 0.049 mm

PISTON RINGS

New ring to groove clearance - top compression 0.040 - 0.072 mm
- second compression 0.030 - 0.062 mm
- oil control 0.010 - 0.180 mm
New ring gap, 20mm from bore top - top compression 0.20 - 0.35 mm
- second compression 0.28 - 0.48 mm
- oil control 0.15 - 0.40 mm

PISTON

Piston diameter (8mm from bottom, 90° to pin) - grade A 79.975 - 79.990 mm
- grade B 79.991 - 80.005 mm
Clearance in bore (20mm from bottom of bore) 0.01 - 0.04 mm

CYLINDER BLOCK

Cylinder liner bore (65mm from top) - red grade A 80.000 - 80.015 mm
- blue grade B 80.016 - 80.030 mm

OIL PUMP

Outer rotor to housing clearance 0.28 - 0.36 mm
Inner rotor tip clearance 0.05 - 0.13 mm
Rotor end float 0.02 - 0.06 mm

COOLANT THERMOSTAT

Nominal setting 85 - 91°C
Thermostat starts opening 88°C
Thermostat fully open 100°C



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DIMENSIONS

Overall length	3785 mm
Overall width - exc. mirrors	1719 mm
- inc. mirrors	1850 mm (approx.)
Overall height (at kerb weight)	1117 mm
Wheelbase	2300 mm
Track - front	1457 mm
- rear	1503 mm
Ground clearance (mid-laden)	130 mm
Front overhang	783 mm
Rear overhang	702 mm
Approach angle (at kerb)	13.5°
Departure angle (at kerb)	23°
Unladen weight - total	774 kg >
- front	294 kg > inc. full fuel tank
- rear	480 kg >
Max. weight - total	1044 kg }
- front	406 kg } inc. occupants & luggage
- rear	638 kg }
Trailer towing	Not permissible

CAPACITIES

Engine oil - dry	5.0 litre (8.8 imp. pt)
- refill inc. filter	4.5 litre (7.9 imp. pt)
High/low dipstick mark difference	1.0 litre (1.8 imp. pt)
Transmission oil - dry	2.4 litre (4.2 imp. pt)
- refill	2.1 litre (3.7 imp. pt)
Fuel tank	32 litre (7.0 imp.gall)
Coolant	8.0 litre (14.1 imp. pt)

WHEELS & TYRES (normal use)

Wheel type	Rimstock alloy, 4-bolt fixing
Wheel size - front	5.5J x 16 ET 31.3
- rear	7.5J x 17 ET 17.75
Wheel bolt torque	105 Nm (77 lbf.ft)
Tyre type	Bridgestone Potenza RE040
Size - front	175/55 R16
- rear	225/45 R17
Pressure (cold) - front	1.8 bar (26 lb/in ²)
- rear	1.9 bar (27.5 lb/in ²)

WINTER WHEELS & TYRES

Wheel type	Rimstock alloy 6-spoke. 4-bolt fixing
Wheel size - front	5.5J x 15 ET 31.3
- rear	7J x 16 ET 17.75
Wheel bolt torque	105 Nm (77 lbf.ft)
Tyre type	Bridgestone LM22
Size - front	185/55 R15
- rear	205/55 R16
Pressure (cold) - front	TBA
- rear	TBA
Studding	Not permitted
Tyre chains	Pewag Neon X3-NX369 fitted only on rear winter wheels/tyres



FRONT SUSPENSION

Type

Independent. Upper and lower wishbone; coaxial coil spring/telescopic damper unit; anti-roll bar.

Geometry check ride height (2 persons, 1/2 tank fuel)

- front
- rear

130 mm below front end of chassis siderail
 130 mm below rear end of chassis siderail
 0.2 mm toe-out overall; + 0.2, - 0 mm
 (0.03° toe-out overall; + 0.03°, - 0°)
 - 0.1°; + 0.1°, - 0.2°. Max side/side; 0.2°
 + 3.8°; ± 0.2°. Max. side/side; 0.2°
 12° nominal

Alignment

Camber

Castor

Steering axis inclination

REAR SUSPENSION

Type

Independent. Upper and lower wishbone; coaxial coil spring/telescopic damper.

Geometry check ride height (2 persons, 1/2 tank fuel)

- front
- rear

130 mm below front end of chassis siderail
 130 mm below rear end of chassis siderail
 1.2 mm toe-in each side; + 0.2, - 0 mm
 (0.18° toe-in each side; + 0.03°, - 0°)
 Max. difference side/side; 0.2 mm (0.03°)
 - 1.8°; ± 0.2°. Max. side/side; 0.2°

Alignment

Camber

ELECTRICAL

Light Bulbs

Headlamps

Driving lamps

Front side/parking lamps

Side repeater lamps

Front turn indicators

Rear turn indicators

Stop/Tail lamps

Tail lamps

High mounted stop lamp

Fog/Tail lamps

Reversing lamp

Licence plate lamps

Interior lamp

Wattage	Type
55	H1 & H7
55	H3
5	W5W
5	W5W amber
21	PY21w amber
21	H21
4/21	P21/4w
5	R5W
2.5	16 x LED
4/21	P21/4w
21	H21
5	C5W
5	W5W

System voltage/polarity

12V negative earth

Alternator

85A

Battery - type

Tungstone 006

- cranking power

300A (SAE)

- reserve capacity

50 minutes

TRANSMISSION

Type

5 speed manual transaxle.

Bevel gear differential.

Gear	Ratio	Final Drive	mph(km/h)/1000 rpm
First	2.92 : 1)	5.8 (9.3)
Second	1.75 : 1)	9.9 (15.9)
Third	1.31 : 1) 4.20 : 1	13.1 (21.1)
Fourth	1.03 : 1)	16.7 (25.7)
Fifth	0.85 : 1)	19.4 (31.2)
Reverse	3.00 : 1)	



CLUTCH

Type	Single dry plate. Diaphragm spring cover. Hydraulic release.
Friction plate diameter	215 mm
Diaphragm finger clearance	1.00 mm
Diaphragm finger height - new	37.5 - 32.1 mm
- service limit	42.75 mm
Friction plate thickness - new	7.4 - 6.9 mm
- service limit	5.6 mm
Rivet depth - new	1.00 mm
- service limit	0.20 mm
Friction plate run-out - new	0.80 mm
- service limit	1.00 mm
Pressure plate warp - service limit	0.15 mm

BRAKES

Type	Ventilated front & rear discs. Opposed piston alloy front calipers. Single piston sliding rear calipers.
Disc type	Cast iron, curved vane ventilated. Cross-drilled option.
Disc size - front & rear	288 mm
Operation	Tandem master cylinder
Parking brake	Cable operation of rear calipers, self adjusting for pad wear.

STEERING

Type	Rack and pinion
Turns, lock to lock	2.8
Gear ratio	15.8:1
Rack height plate	7 notch

FUEL CONSUMPTION

93/116/EC - std	- urban	10.1 l/100 km (28.0 mpg)
	- extra urban	6.2 l/100 km (45.6 mpg)
	- combined	7.7 l/100 km (36.7 mpg)
	- CO ₂	183 g/km