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Technical Bulletin

Subject: **Leather Upholstery, Cleaning Tips**

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Model(s): **All with Leather Upholstery**

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Condition

Leather upholstery dirty or stained.

Service

Note:

Headrests, armrests which are exposed to perspiration, may require cleaning more often.

Avoid solvents, wax, polish, shoe cream, spot removers, household cleaners, etc. These cleaners will likely damage the finish, affect the color and lead to premature aging of the leather.

For cleaning interior fabrics, vinyls and plastics see Technical Bulletin Group 70 Number 00-02 dated Aug. 22, 2000.

Normal cleaning

- Use plain water and a soft, non-pigmented cloth or sponge.
- Wring water out of cloth or sponge (should be damp, not wet) and wipe over surface. DO NOT allow water to soak into leather or penetrate seams.
- Wipe off with a soft dry cloth.

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Stubborn dirt:

CAUTION!

Always read and follow manufacturer Cautions and Warnings regarding use of product.

Always test product in an inconspicuous area prior to using in visible areas.

- Use a small amount of liquid soap such as Ivory™ or Murphy's™ oil soap or equivalent in a quart of water .
- Using soapy water, moisten a soft, non-pigmented cloth or sponge. A 3M Scotch-Brite™ Type T Scuff Sponge (3m Part No. 07439) or equivalent can also be used.
- Wring water out of cloth or sponge (should be damp, not wet) and wipe over surface. DO NOT allow water to soak into leather or penetrate seams.
- Wipe off with a soft dry cloth.

Stubborn Stains

- Use lukewarm water to dilute water-soluble stains.
- Use a small amount of liquid soap such as Ivory or Murphy's oil soap in a quart of water.
- Remove excess grease immediately with a soft cloth or paper towel.
- Moisten a soft, non-pigmented cloth or sponge with water for water soluble stains or soapy water for greasy stains.
- Work an area larger than the stain, liberally dab the stain. Work inwardly towards the stain then outwardly from the stain. Dampen the area but avoid soaking the leather.
- Use a clean cloth or sponge to absorb the liquid.

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- Allow leather to air dry.

When the leather is dry:

- Polish with a dry, soft cloth. A certain amount of grease will absorb into the leather and disappear of its own accord.

Conditioner

Conditioners provide a physical barrier against surface soiling and abrasion and a degree of gloss to enhance the leather's appearance.

- Several times a year use a specially formulated Premium leather cleaner Part No: ZVW 902 110 or equivalent and follow this with Premium leather conditioning cream Part No: ZVW 902 109 or equivalent.

Note:

Cleaning leather upholstery is NOT covered under the New Vehicle Warranty.