

Car Care Corner

Extend The Life Of Your Car

(NAPS)—Are you hot stuff when it comes to understanding your vehicle's needs? Did you know what a young—and old—car's fancy turns to when the weather changes? An oil change.

According to experts at the Kendall Motor Oil Technical Service Department, that means changing the oil every 90 days or 3,000 miles, whichever comes first depending on the manufacturer's recommendations.

Oil Changing Tips

- First, check your car owner's manual, paying particular attention to the recommendations for extreme service.

- Always change the oil filter when changing the oil.

- Maximum oil change recommendations apply to relatively high-speed driving on paved roads in dust-free areas.

Reasons for more frequent oil changes may include:

- Stop-and-go driving (trips that are less than 10 miles),
- Driving in dust or sand,
- Cold weather operation,
- Extended high speeds,
- Idling for extended periods, and

- Frequent cold starts and short trips. Trailer towing also may require a shorter interval between oil changes.

Some older vehicles are a quart low at the 3,000 mile mark. If the driver doesn't add a quart of oil, the engine's oil consumption will



According to car care experts, regular oil changes are the key to extending the life of your automobile.

begin to accelerate. For example, if the car is not serviced until the 5,000 mile mark, it already could be 2.5 or so quarts low on oil. Many \$4,000 engines have been replaced because the engine was run low on oil. In some cases, the sticker showed that the car was past due for an oil change.

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