

A Maintenance Minute

Hot Weather Truck Care Tips



Maintenance Tips by the Peterbilt Service Managers

As summer temperatures rise into the triple digits, don't find yourself and your truck steaming! Some simple pretrip inspections and preventative maintenance can keep your truck running smoothly down the road.

- Before hot weather arrives, be sure to check your belts — fan belt and alternator belt — for cuts, abrasions and wear. Better to have us replace them sooner, rather than call a tow truck later.

- Your truck's coolant must be up to par! Having your anti-freeze tested is just as important in the summer as it is in the winter! Fresh coolant is needed to remove heat and prevent system corrosion.

- Keep an eye on the level of coolant in the radiator overflow tank. If the level drops, you probably have a leak. Our factory-trained technicians can pressure test the system for leaks. The radiator cap will be tested to ensure it will hold the required pressure without leaking.

- A clean radiator is an efficient heat remover. Make sure your radiator is clean – we use high-pressure air to blow out the bugs and dirt.

- Road heat can build up in tires, produce excessive air pressure and cause blow outs! Use an accurate pressure gauge and frequently monitor tire pressure for longer tire life. We can also install an automatic tire monitoring system on your truck that can help you improve tire mileage and safety.

Our factory-trained Peterbilt technicians can help get your truck ready for summer driving.

Wishing all drivers a comfortable journey and a safe trip!

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