

Section B1

STORAGE AND RECOMMISSIONING

Introduction

The success of the following recommended storage procedures depends upon correct initial preparation, regular inspection and maintenance.

Storage

The storage building should be dry and well ventilated. If the building is heated, the temperature must remain constant twenty four hours a day.

Corniche Convertible cars should be stored with the hood raised and the hood clips securely fastened.

Storage recommendations

Prior to storage, thoroughly clean the carpets, rugs and upholstery. Treat all leather upholstery with Connolly's Hide Food.

Thoroughly wash the exterior bodywork of the car.

Any damaged paintwork discovered during this operation should be reported to the owner.

Apply a good quality cleaner /polish followed by a good quality silicone wax polish.

Throughout the storage period the following procedures should be carried out every two weeks.

1. Remove, clean and fully charge the battery and if necessary top-up with distilled water.
2. Check the coolant level in the radiator and top-up if necessary.
3. Ensure that the fluid levels in the engine sump, torque converter transmission, steering pump, final drive unit, brake and height control reservoirs and the power operated hood reservoir on Corniche Convertible cars are to the maximum level marks.
4. Check the tyre pressures including the spare tyre and adjust if necessary (see Chapter R).
5. Ensure that all controls, instruments, warning panels and lamps are operating satisfactorily.
6. Run the car for a minimum of 16 kilometres (10 miles) to ensure complete lubrication of internal components.

7. Allow the car to cool, then wash the exterior bodywork.

When the car has thoroughly dried, cover it with a light cotton or muslin dust sheet.

If it is not possible to carry out the above recommended storage procedures, the following storage procedures may be adopted though they will not provide the same degree of protection

Storage periods between one and three months

1. Remove, clean and fully charge the battery. If necessary top-up with distilled water. Once a month, re-charge the battery until the specific gravity of the electrolyte has remained constant for between ten and twelve hours.
2. Check the coolant level in the radiator and top-up if necessary.
3. Ensure that the fluid levels in the engine sump, torque converter transmission, steering pump, final drive unit, brake and height control reservoirs and the power operated hood reservoir on Corniche Convertible cars are to the maximum level marks.
4. Wash the exterior bodywork of the car. Any damaged paintwork discovered during this operation should be reported to the owner.
5. Apply a good quality cleaner /polish followed by a good quality silicone wax polish.
6. Increase the tyre pressures to 2,8 kgf/sq.cm. (40 lbf/sq.in.). The pressure of the spare wheel tyre does not need increasing.
7. Cover the car with a light cotton or muslin dust sheet, ensuring that the tyres are covered if sunlight is able to penetrate into the storage area.

Storage periods between three and six months

1. Drive the car for approximately 16 kilometres (10 miles) to warm the engine oil, torque converter transmission and final drive unit. This will ensure