

How to Calculate the Correct Service Intervals

You'll notice this handbook lists both time and kilometres travelled as recommended service intervals. This is because the service intervals of your vehicle are dependent on your driving habits. Regular vehicle maintenance is vital to maintain optimal performance, safety, longevity and resale value. If you drive average distances (approximately 20,000 km or more per year) you should be servicing your Prius in accordance with the kilometres travelled recommendations. However, if you consistently travel low kilometres, then servicing must be based on the recommended time intervals. Talk to your Toyota Prius Service Advisor for further information about the type of service schedule best suited to your day to day driving, and you'll know you're keeping your Prius operating at peak performance.

Wheel Alignment

Abnormal or uneven tyre wear may be noted by your Toyota Prius Service Centre during your regular maintenance service. This may be caused by your operating environment. Your Toyota Prius Service Centre will suggest a wheel alignment check (and correction if necessary) to prevent further deterioration to your vehicle's tyres. This will be a chargeable service.

Additional Service Requirements

How and where you drive your Prius determines the service requirements as much as the time or distance travelled. For example, if you are regularly towing heavy loads or driving in rough conditions, then more frequent maintenance is necessary, refer to Additional Service Requirements in this Section. The Service Advisor at your Toyota Prius Service Centre can best advise you on the maintenance requirements, to suit your driving conditions.

Break-in Period Oil Change

Your new Prius is manufactured to precision tolerances and rigorously checked and filled with high quality lubricants at the factory; as such the oil and filter does not need to be changed until the first scheduled service.

Oil Thickening

Oil thickening is a phenomenon which occurs when particles of unburnt fuel and combustion by-products cause a build-up of carbon (soot) in the engine oil forming a jelly type substance. It can cause serious engine damage through oil starvation. It is essential that the engine oil is changed according to the Maintenance Schedule in this Section, at either the time or distance specified.

UNDERSTANDING YOUR TOYOTA PRIUS MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Here is a guide to the codes defining what type of maintenance needs to be performed at each scheduled service. You'll find these marked on Maintenance Schedule pages.

C = Clean I = Inspect, correct, adjust or replace as necessary
R = Replace T = Tighten

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

(Months or odometer reading whichever occurs first)	months	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72	78	84	90	96	102	108	114	120
	km x 1,000	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130	140	150	160	170	180	190	200
Engine																					
Engine Oil (API: SL, SM or ILSAC)		R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
Engine oil filter		R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
Cooling and heater system ¹					I				I		I		I		I		I		I		I
Engine coolant (Toyota Genuine SLLC) ^{2,4}					I				I				I				R				I
Inverter coolant ^{3,4}					I				I				I				I				I
Exhaust pipes and mountings					I		I		I		I		I		I		I		I		I
Electrical System																					
Spark plugs											R										R
Battery		I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I
Fuel System																					
Fuel filter, including in-tank filter									R								R				
Engine air cleaner filter			I		R		I		R		I		R		I		R		I		R
Fuel tank cap, fuel lines, connections and fuel vapor control valve					I				I		I		I		I		I		I		I
Charcoal canister					I				I				I				I				I

- ¹ Inspect the condition of the radiator and condenser. Check that they are not damaged or blocked with leaves, dirt, or insects. Inspect the hoses and connections for installation condition and corrosion.
- ² Replace the engine coolant initially at 96 months or 160,000 km (whichever occurs first), then every 48 months or 80,000 km (whichever occurs first).
- ³ Replace the inverter coolant initially at 144 months or 240,000 km (whichever occurs first), then every 48 months or 80,000 km (whichever occurs first).
- ⁴ Use Genuine Toyota Super Long Life Coolant (SLLC) or a similar high quality ethylene glycol based non-silicate, non-amine, non-nitrite, and non-borate coolant with long-life hybrid organic acid technology. (Coolant with long-life hybrid organic acid technology consists of the combination of low phosphates and organic acids.)

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	km x 1,000	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130	140	150	160	170	180	190	200
Chassis and Body																					
Brake pedal and parking brake		I		I		I		I		I		I		I		I		I		I	
Brake pads and discs		I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I
Brake fluid (SAE J1703 or FMVSS No. 116 DOT3)		I	I	I	R	I	I	I	R	I	I	I	R	I	I	I	R	I	I	I	R
Brake pipes and hoses		I		I		I		I		I		I		I		I		I		I	
Steering wheel and linkage				I		I		I		I		I		I		I		I		I	
Drive shaft boots		I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I
Suspension ball joints and dust covers			I				I		I		I		I		I		I		I		I
Automatic transmission fluid (A/T fluid WS)					I				I				I				I				I
Front and rear suspensions					I				I				I				I				I
Bolts and nuts on chassis and body ⁵											T										T
Tyres and inflation pressures		I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I
Rotate wheels		I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I
Balance front wheels		I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I
Lights, horns, wipers and washers		I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I
Seatbelt, webbing condition, buckle and retractor mechanism operation		I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I
Air conditioner filter (without solar power ventilation system)		C	C	R	C	C	R	C	C	R	C	C	R	C	C	R	C	C	R	C	C
Air conditioner filter (with solar power ventilation system)		C	R	C	R	C	R	C	R	C	R	C	R	C	R	C	R	C	R	C	R
Air conditioner, including refrigerant level			I		I		I		I		I		I		I		I		I		I
Road Test																					
Road Test Vehicle		I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I

⁵ For seat mounting bolts, front and rear suspension member retaining bolts.

Additional Service Requirements

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How and where you drive your Prius determines the service requirements as much as the time or distance travelled. For example, if you are regularly towing heavy loads, driving in rough conditions or simply performing lots of stop-start city driving, then more regular maintenance is necessary. Discuss the typical sort of driving you'll be doing with your Toyota Prius Service Advisor, they will advise how best to maintain your vehicle to keep it performing at its best.

If you consistently put your vehicle through extreme conditions or drive in harsh environments, then your vehicle will require the extra maintenance as described in Additional Service Schedule.

These conditions could include any or all of the following:

- Driving on rough, muddy or snow-melted roads
- Driving on dusty roads
- Repeated short trips, less than 8 kilometres, in freezing conditions.
- Extensive idling and or low speed driving for long distance, such as taxis, couriers, etc.
- Stop-start city or suburban driving
- Continuous high speed driving (at speeds greater than 140 km/h) for over 2 hours.

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ADDITIONAL MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

(Months or odometer reading whichever occurs first)	months	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36	39	42	45	48	51	54	57	60
	km x 1,000	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	100
Engine																					
Engine Oil (API: SL, SM or ILSAC)		R		R		R		R		R		R		R		R		R		R	
Engine oil filter		R		R		R		R		R		R		R		R		R		R	
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Engine air cleaner filter			I				I				I				I				I		
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Steering wheel and linkage			I				I				I				I				I		
Drive shaft boots		I		I		I		I		I		I		I		I		I		I	
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Air conditioner filter (without solar power ventilation system)		C		R		C		C		R		C		C		R		C		C	
Air conditioner filter (with solar power ventilation system)		C	R	C		C	R	C		C	R	C		C	R	C		C	R	C	
Road Test																					
Road Test Vehicle		I		I		I		I		I		I		I		I		I		I	

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