1. Check/replace the engine oil and replace oil filters at least every 3,000-5,000 miles. Refer to your owner’s manual for recommended viscosity grade (5-30W, 10-30W, 30W and so on).
2. Check/replace fuel filters every two years or 25,000 miles or as recommended by owner’s manual.
3. Inspect or replace windshield wipers when they streak too much and blur vision.
4. Check or refill windshield washer fluid as needed.
5. Inspect tires for pressure and wear (typically 30-34 lbs) or as advised on inside of drivers door or on tire.
6. Tire balancing whenever you feel unusual vibration or when tires are rotated.
7. Tire rotation every 5,000-7,500 miles.
8. Wheel alignment when steering wheel pulls left or right when driving or when tires wear uneven.
9. Check, clean or replace battery terminals and top up battery fluid. Note, some batteries do not require fluid to be added. Use only distilled water if adding to a battery requiring fluid. Also, a light coat of oil on the terminals can protect them from corrosion.
10. Inspect or replace brake pads when we hear a squeak, grinding, or chatter when braking. Or when breaks don’t seem to be stopping normally.
11. Check brake fluid every year or if you feel the brakes are not stopping normally. Refer to owner’s manual for flush frequency. Flush approximately every 60,000 miles or as directed by owner’s manual.
12. Check transmission fluid at every oil change. Flush approximately every 50,000 miles unless you have a high mileage car and do not know when it was last flushed. Replacing fluid with high miles on it can cause more harm. Refer to your owner’s manual for schedule.
13. Check power steering fluid at every oil change. Flush every three years or 50,000 miles or as recommended by your owner’s manual.
14. Check engine coolant (antifreeze) at every oil change. Flush every two to three years or 30,000 miles or as recommended by your owner’s manual. Never use 100% coolant in your vehicle. Usually 50/50 mixture with water is good or up to 70% coolant if cold temperatures below -34 degrees (34 below zero).
15. Replace spark plugs every 30,000 miles if they are standard type or as recommended by your owner’s manual. Some iridium-coated plugs can last up to 100,000 miles.
16. Inspect or replace air filter every year or 15,000 or as recommended by your owner’s manual.
17. Inspect or replace timing belt every 50,000 to 60,000 miles and other belts three years or 30,000 miles or as recommended by your owner’s manual.
18. Lubricate locks, latches, hinges as needed.
19. Check all lights often for safety.
20. Check if axle CV rubber boots are cracked and need replacement.   
      
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