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Mazda 626

1997 Mazda 626 Owner's Manual

Comprehensive Vehicle Instructions and Guidelines

Introduction

This owner's manual provides essential information for the safe and efficient operation, maintenance, and care of your 1997 Mazda 626. Familiarizing yourself with the contents of this manual will help you understand your vehicle's features, ensure its longevity, and maintain optimal performance. Please read it thoroughly and keep it in your vehicle for future reference.



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Vehicle Overview & Controls

This section provides an overview of your Mazda 626's main components, dashboard layout, and essential controls. Understanding the location and function of these controls is crucial for safe and effective vehicle operation.

Dashboard and Instrument Panel

Familiarize yourself with the gauges, indicator lights, and warning lamps on your instrument panel. These provide critical information about your vehicle's status and any potential issues.

Steering Wheel Controls

The steering wheel houses controls for various functions, including the horn, turn signals, headlights, and windshield wipers. Refer to the detailed diagrams in your manual for specific locations and operations.

Driving & Operation

This section covers the procedures for starting and stopping your vehicle, operating various features, and important information regarding fuel.

Starting the Engine

1. Ensure the parking brake is engaged.

2. For automatic transmission, place the shift lever in 'P' (Park) or 'N' (Neutral). For manual transmission, place the shift lever in 'N' (Neutral) and depress the clutch pedal.
3. Insert the key into the ignition and turn it to the 'START' position. Release the key once the engine starts.

Fuel Information

Your 1997 Mazda 626 requires **UNLEADED** fuel only. Refer to the following specifications:

- **2.0 Liter Engine:** Octane rating (anti-knock index) of 87 or higher.
- **2.5 Liter Engine:** Octane rating (anti-knock index) of 91 or higher.
- You may use an octane rating from 87 to 90; this will not affect engine performance.

The fuel tank capacity is approximately **64.0 Liters (16.9 US gallons / 14.1 Imperial gallons)**

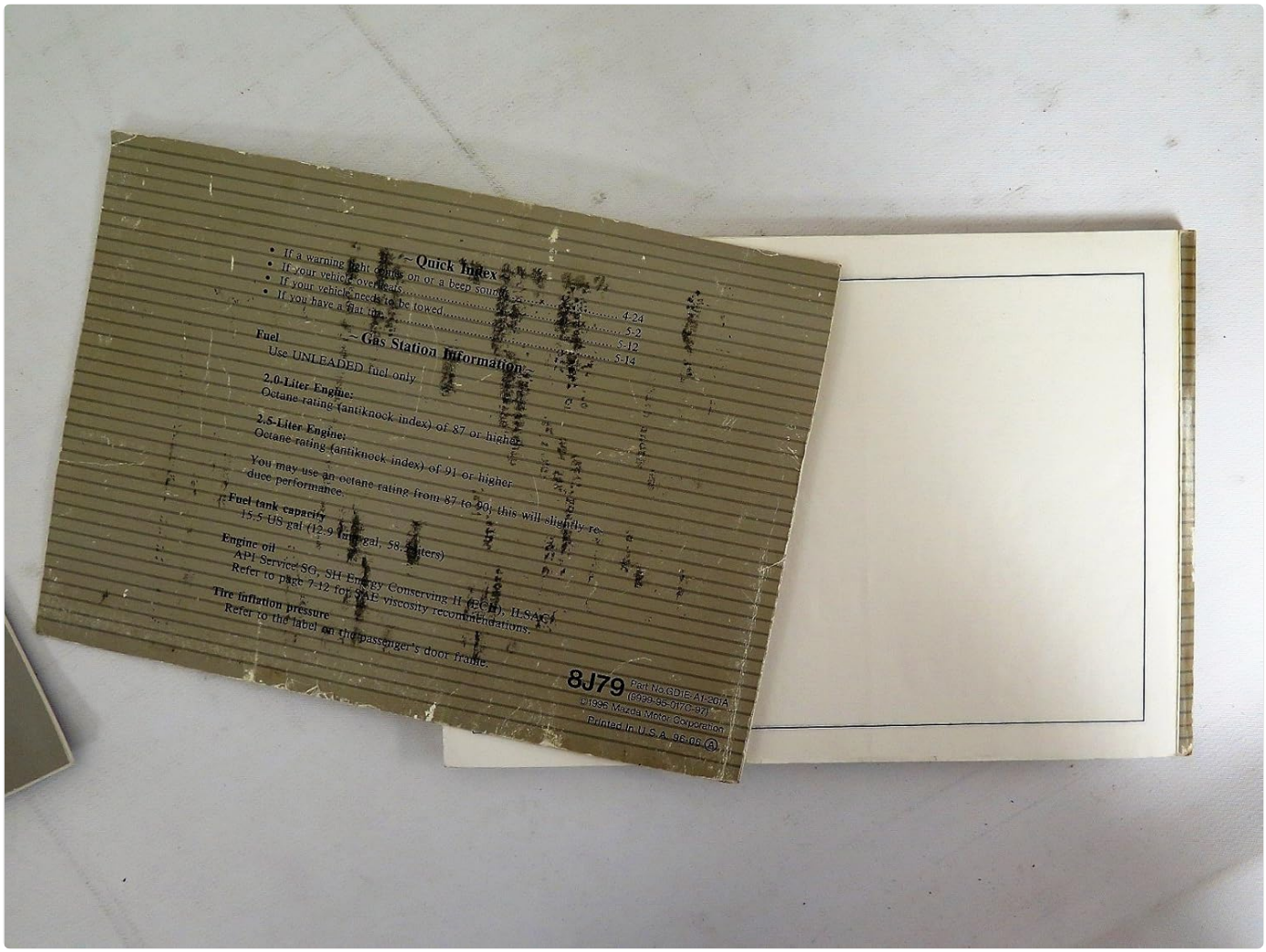


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Maintenance & Care

Regular maintenance is vital for the performance, safety, and longevity of your Mazda 626. Follow the recommended service schedule and perform routine checks as outlined below.

Engine Oil

Use engine oil meeting **API Service SG or SH, Energy Conserving II.** The recommended viscosity is **SAE 5W-30**. Refer to page 7-12 of your owner's manual for detailed instructions on checking and changing engine oil.

Tire Inflation Pressure

Always maintain correct tire inflation pressure. Refer to the label located on the driver's door frame for the specific recommended pressures for your vehicle's tires.

Other Routine Checks

- Check brake fluid level.
- Inspect coolant level.
- Verify power steering fluid level.
- Check windshield washer fluid.
- Inspect all exterior lights for proper operation.

Troubleshooting & Emergency Procedures

This section provides guidance on how to address common issues and what to do in emergency situations.

Quick Index for Emergencies

- **If a warning light comes on:** Consult the warning light section in your manual for specific actions.
- **If your vehicle needs a tow:** Refer to the towing procedures to ensure proper and safe towing.
- **If you have a flat tire:** Instructions for safely changing a flat tire are provided.

For detailed steps and safety precautions, always refer to the relevant pages in your owner's manual.

Specifications

Key technical specifications for your 1997 Mazda 626:

- **Fuel Type:** Unleaded gasoline only.
- **Fuel Tank Capacity:** 64.0 L (16.9 US gal / 14.1 Imp gal).
- **Recommended Engine Oil:** API Service SG or SH, Energy Conserving II, SAE 5W-30.
- **Tire Pressure:** Refer to the label on the driver's door frame.

Warranty Information

Your 1997 Mazda 626 is covered by specific warranty terms. For complete details regarding coverage, duration, and conditions, please refer to the separate '1997 Warranty Information' booklet provided with your vehicle.

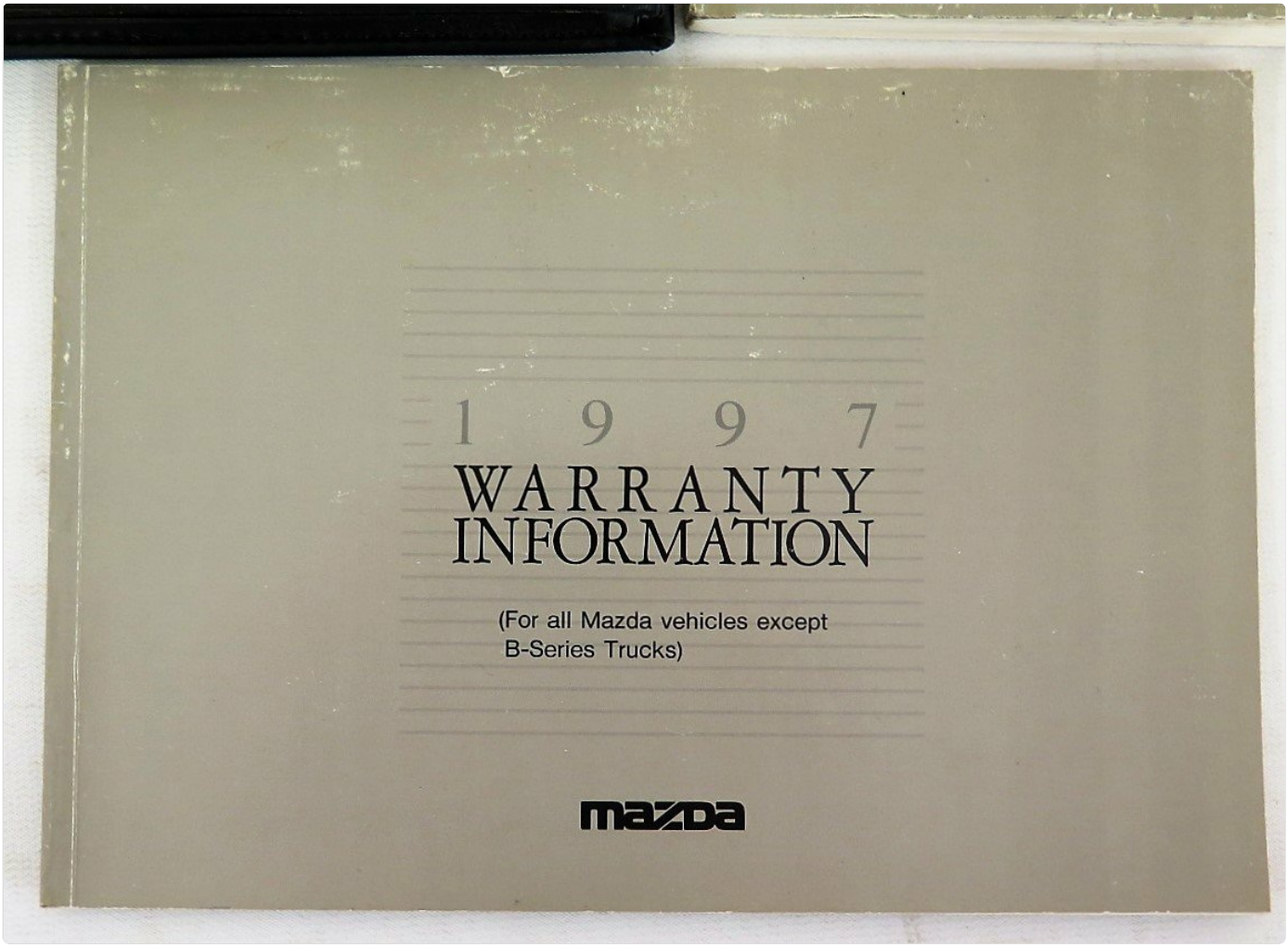


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This booklet contains important information about your vehicle's warranty, including limitations and what to do in case of a warranty claim. It is applicable to all Mazda vehicles except B-Series Trucks.

Customer Support

Should you have any questions or require assistance that is not covered in this manual, please contact your authorized Mazda dealer. They are equipped with the necessary tools, training, and genuine Mazda parts to provide expert service and support for your vehicle.

Always ensure that any service or repairs are performed by qualified technicians to maintain the safety and integrity of your Mazda 626.

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