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## Volkswagen Passat

# 2012 Volkswagen Passat Owners Manual

Your comprehensive guide to operating and maintaining your vehicle.

## INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential information for the safe and efficient operation of your 2012 Volkswagen Passat. It contains details on vehicle features, controls, maintenance procedures, and important safety warnings. Please read this manual thoroughly to familiarize yourself with your vehicle's capabilities and to ensure proper care.



Image: The 2012 Volkswagen Passat Owners Manual set, presented in a black leatherette storage case with the Volkswagen logo embossed.

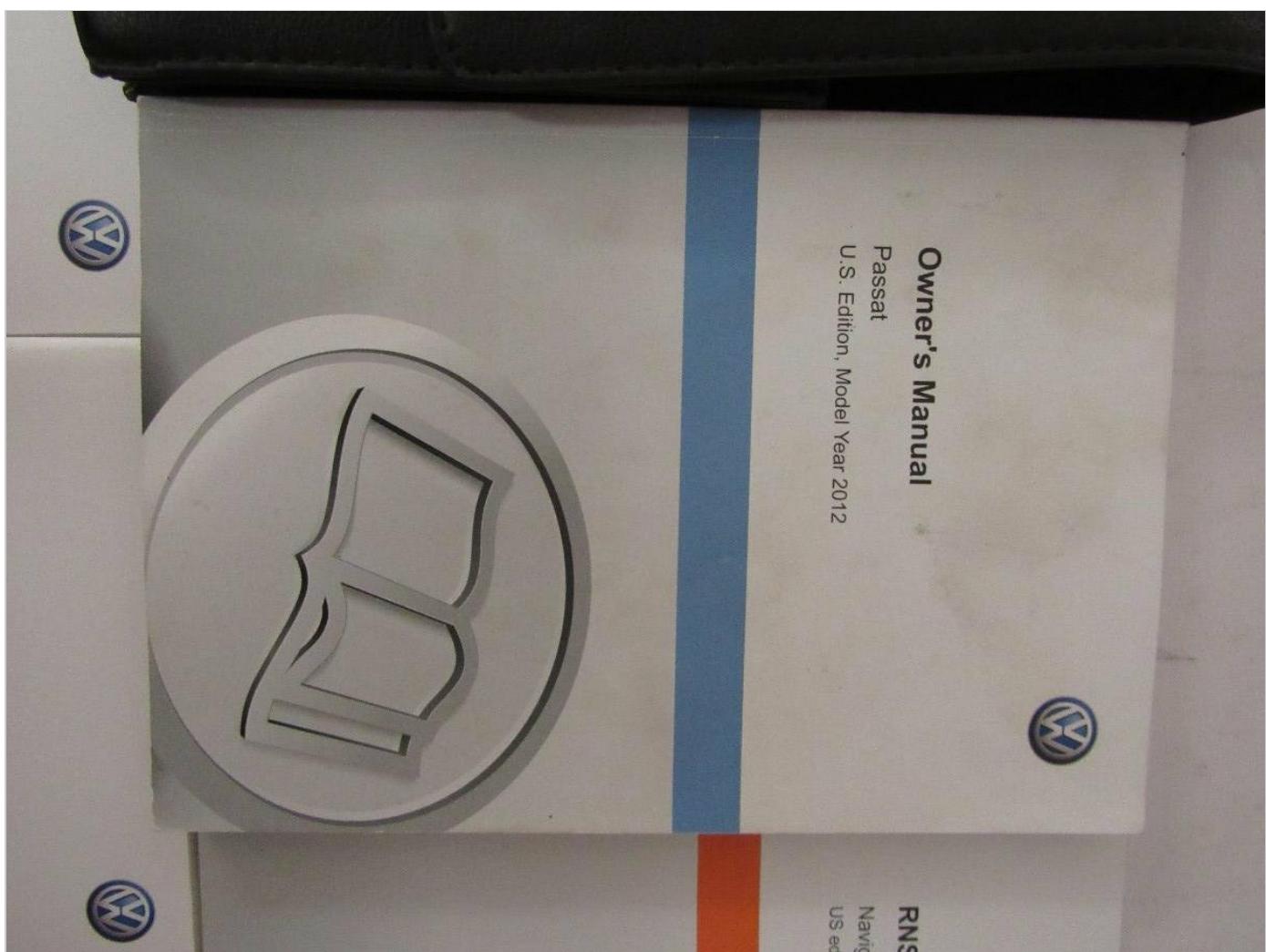


Image: A side view of the 2012 Volkswagen Passat Owner's Manual cover, showing the title and Volkswagen branding.

## INITIAL SETUP AND FAMILIARIZATION

Before driving, it is important to familiarize yourself with the vehicle's basic controls and settings. This section covers initial adjustments and key features.

### Adjusting Seating and Mirrors

- **Seat Adjustment:** Locate the levers or buttons on the side of the seat to adjust its position, height, and backrest angle. Ensure a comfortable and safe driving posture.
- **Steering Wheel Adjustment:** Use the lever located under the steering column to adjust the steering wheel's height and reach. Lock it into position once adjusted.
- **Mirror Adjustment:** Use the control knob or joystick on the driver's door panel to adjust the side mirrors. The rearview mirror can be adjusted manually.

### Dashboard Overview

The dashboard provides critical information about your vehicle's status. Pay attention to the speedometer, tachometer, fuel gauge, and various warning lights.



Image: The front cover of the 2012 Volkswagen Passat Owner's Manual, showing the Volkswagen logo and title.

## OPERATING YOUR VEHICLE

This section details the procedures for starting, driving, and stopping your 2012 Volkswagen Passat, along with information on various in-car systems.

### Starting and Driving

1. Insert the key into the ignition or press the start button while depressing the brake pedal.
2. Select the desired gear (P, R, N, D, S) using the gear selector.
3. Release the parking brake.
4. Gently press the accelerator pedal to move the vehicle.

### Infotainment and Navigation System

Your Passat may be equipped with an infotainment system that includes radio, media playback, and navigation. Refer to the dedicated manual for detailed instructions.



Image: The cover of the RNS 310, RNS 315 Navigation System manual, indicating detailed instructions for the in-car navigation unit.

## Mobile Phone Integration

The mobile phone package allows for hands-free communication and media streaming. Consult the specific manual for pairing and operation.

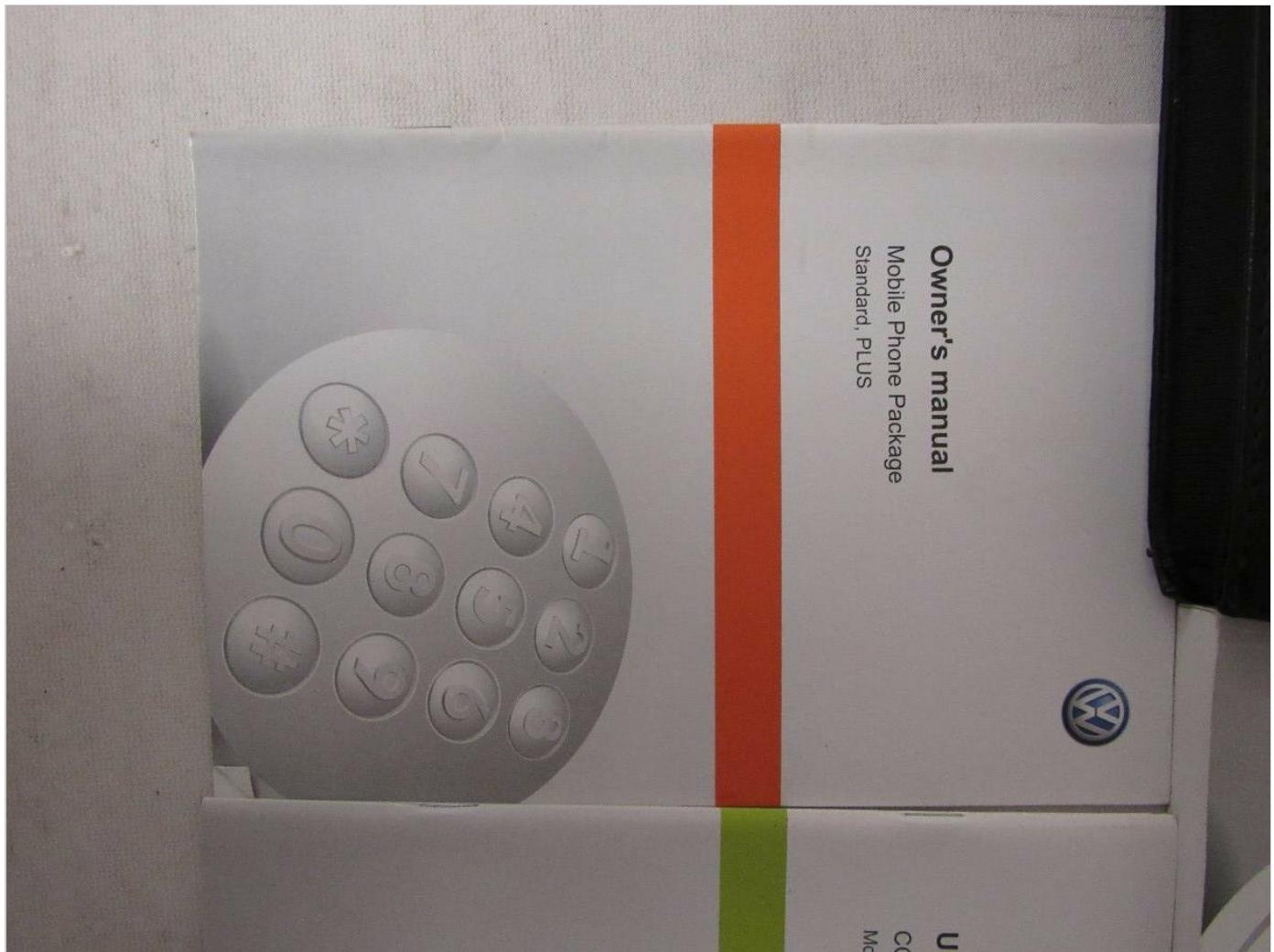


Image: The cover of the Mobile Phone Package Owner's Manual, providing instructions for using the vehicle's integrated phone system.

## MAINTENANCE AND CARE

Regular maintenance is crucial for the longevity and performance of your Volkswagen Passat. Adhere to the recommended service schedule.

### Routine Checks

- **Engine Oil:** Check oil level regularly and top up if necessary.
- **Tire Pressure:** Verify tire pressure monthly, including the spare tire.
- **Washer Fluid:** Ensure the windshield washer fluid reservoir is adequately filled.
- **Lights:** Periodically check all exterior and interior lights for proper function.

### Service Intervals

Refer to the maintenance schedule in your owner's manual or consult an authorized Volkswagen service center for specific service intervals based on mileage and time.

## TROUBLESHOOTING COMMON ISSUES

This section addresses common issues you might encounter and provides basic steps for resolution. For complex problems, consult a qualified technician.

### Warning Lights

- **Check Engine Light:** If illuminated, it indicates an engine or emissions system fault. Have the vehicle inspected promptly.
- **Oil Pressure Warning:** Stop the vehicle immediately and check the oil level. Do not drive with low oil pressure.
- **Brake System Warning:** Indicates a fault in the brake system. Drive cautiously to a service center or have the vehicle towed.

## Flat Tire

If you experience a flat tire, safely pull over to the side of the road. Refer to the manual for instructions on using the spare tire and jack, or contact roadside assistance.



Image: The cover of the 24-Hour Roadside Assistance Owner's Guide, providing contact information and procedures for emergency vehicle support.

## SPECIFICATIONS

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## WARRANTY INFORMATION

Your 2012 Volkswagen Passat comes with specific warranty coverage. It is important to understand the terms and conditions of these warranties.

### USA Warranty and Maintenance

This document outlines the standard warranty coverage and recommended maintenance schedule for vehicles sold in the USA, including models like the Passat, CC, Eos, GTI, Golf, and Tiguan for model year 2012.

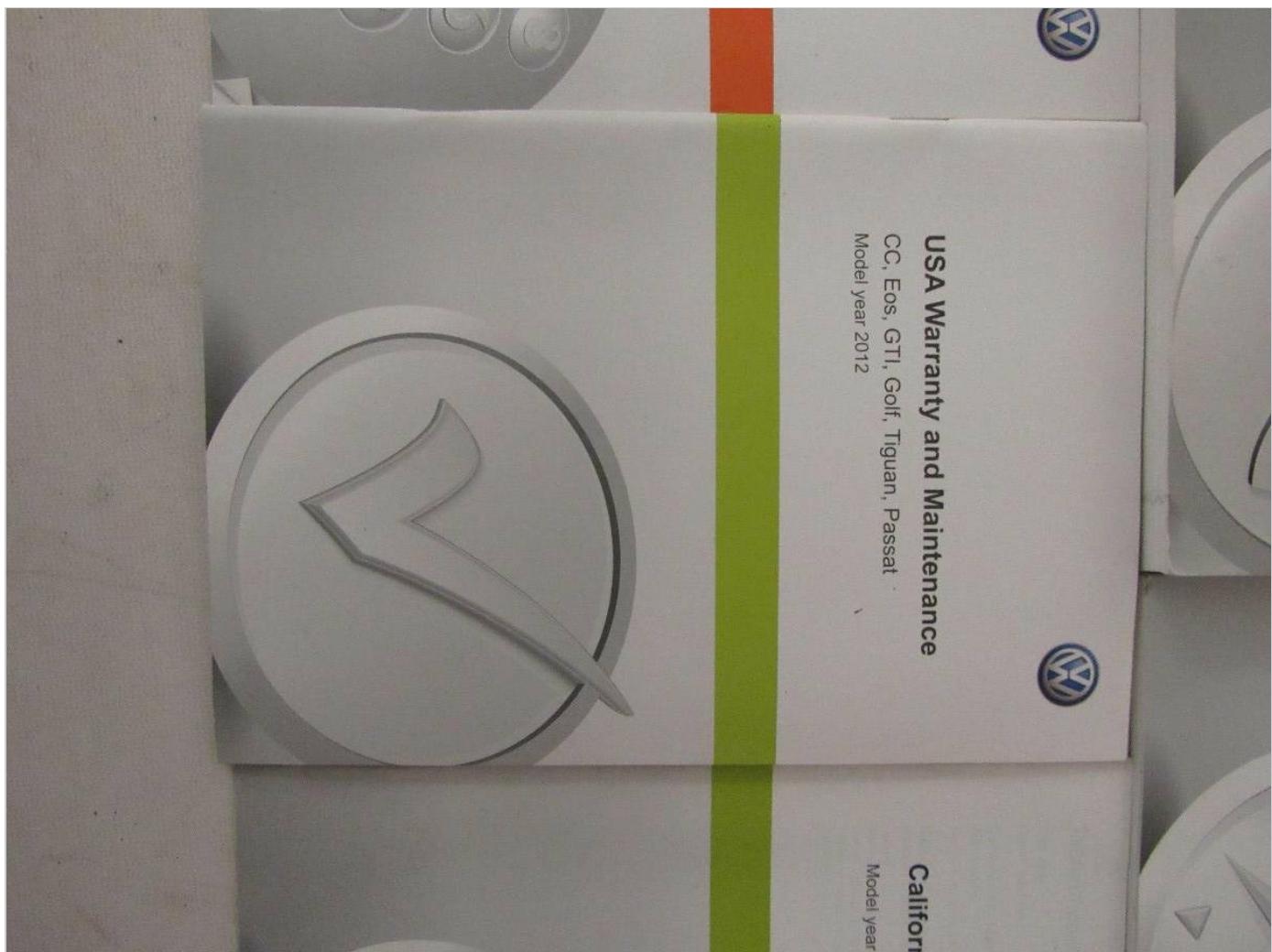


Image: The cover of the USA Warranty and Maintenance manual, applicable to 2012 Volkswagen models including the Passat.

### California Emissions Warranties

Vehicles registered in California are subject to specific emissions warranty regulations. This separate manual provides

detailed information on these warranties for the 2012 model year.



Image: The cover of the California Emissions Warranties manual, detailing specific warranty information for vehicles sold in California for the 2012 model year.

## **SUPPORT AND FURTHER ASSISTANCE**

If you require further assistance or have questions not covered in this manual, please contact your authorized Volkswagen dealer or visit the official Volkswagen website for support resources.

For roadside emergencies, refer to your 24-Hour Roadside Assistance guide for contact information.