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Dodge Stratus Sedan

2006 Dodge Stratus Sedan Owner's Manual

Your comprehensive guide to operating and maintaining your vehicle.

Introduction

Welcome to the Dodge Stratus Sedan owner's manual. This document contains vital information regarding the safe operation, proper maintenance, and general care of your 2006 Dodge Stratus Sedan. Familiarizing yourself with this manual will help you maximize your vehicle's performance, ensure your safety, and prolong its lifespan. Please read it thoroughly and keep it in your vehicle for future reference.



Image: Front cover of the 2006 Dodge Stratus Sedan Owner's Manual, featuring the Dodge logo and 'STRATUS SEDAN' text on a red background.

Vehicle Setup and Controls

Before operating your Dodge Stratus Sedan, it is important to understand its basic setup and controls. This section covers initial adjustments and common features.

Seating and Steering Wheel Adjustment

- **Seat Adjustment:** Locate the lever or knob on the side of the seat to adjust its position forward, backward, up, or down. Ensure you are comfortably seated with clear visibility and easy access to pedals.
- **Seatback Recline:** Use the recline lever to adjust the angle of the seatback for optimal comfort and posture.
- **Steering Wheel Tilt:** Pull the lever located under the steering column to adjust the steering wheel's angle. Lock it into position by pushing the lever back up.

Dashboard Overview

Familiarize yourself with the instrument panel, including the speedometer, tachometer, fuel gauge, and various warning lights. Consult the detailed diagrams in the manual for specific locations and functions of each indicator.

Climate Control System

Your vehicle is equipped with a climate control system to regulate cabin temperature. Use the fan speed control, temperature knob, and mode selector to direct airflow and set your desired climate. The A/C button activates the air conditioning compressor.

Operating Your Vehicle

This section provides essential instructions for starting, driving, and parking your 2006 Dodge Stratus Sedan safely and efficiently.

Starting the Engine

1. Ensure the transmission is in Park (P) or Neutral (N).
2. Insert the key into the ignition and turn it to the START position.
3. Release the key once the engine starts.

Driving Tips

- Always wear your seatbelt and ensure all passengers are buckled up.
- Adjust mirrors for optimal rear and side visibility before driving.
- Maintain a safe following distance and adhere to all traffic laws.
- Avoid sudden acceleration or braking for smoother operation and better fuel economy.

Parking

When parking, engage the parking brake firmly. If parking on an incline, turn the front wheels towards the curb (downhill) or away from the curb (uphill) to prevent rolling.

Maintenance Schedule and Procedures

Regular maintenance is crucial for the longevity and reliability of your Dodge Stratus Sedan. Adhere to the recommended service intervals outlined in this section.



Image: Cover of the 2006 Maintenance Logbook Schedule A, indicating service intervals and next service due.

Routine Checks (Monthly or Every 1,000 Miles)

- **Engine Oil Level:** Check the dipstick and add oil if necessary.
- **Coolant Level:** Ensure the coolant reservoir is between MIN and MAX marks.
- **Brake Fluid Level:** Verify the fluid level is within the recommended range.
- **Tire Pressure:** Check all four tires and the spare, adjusting to the recommended PSI.
- **Lights:** Inspect headlights, taillights, brake lights, and turn signals for proper operation.

Scheduled Service (Every 6 Months or 6,000 Miles)

- Oil and filter change.
- Tire rotation.
- Inspect brakes, hoses, and lines.
- Check battery and charging system.
- Inspect exhaust system.

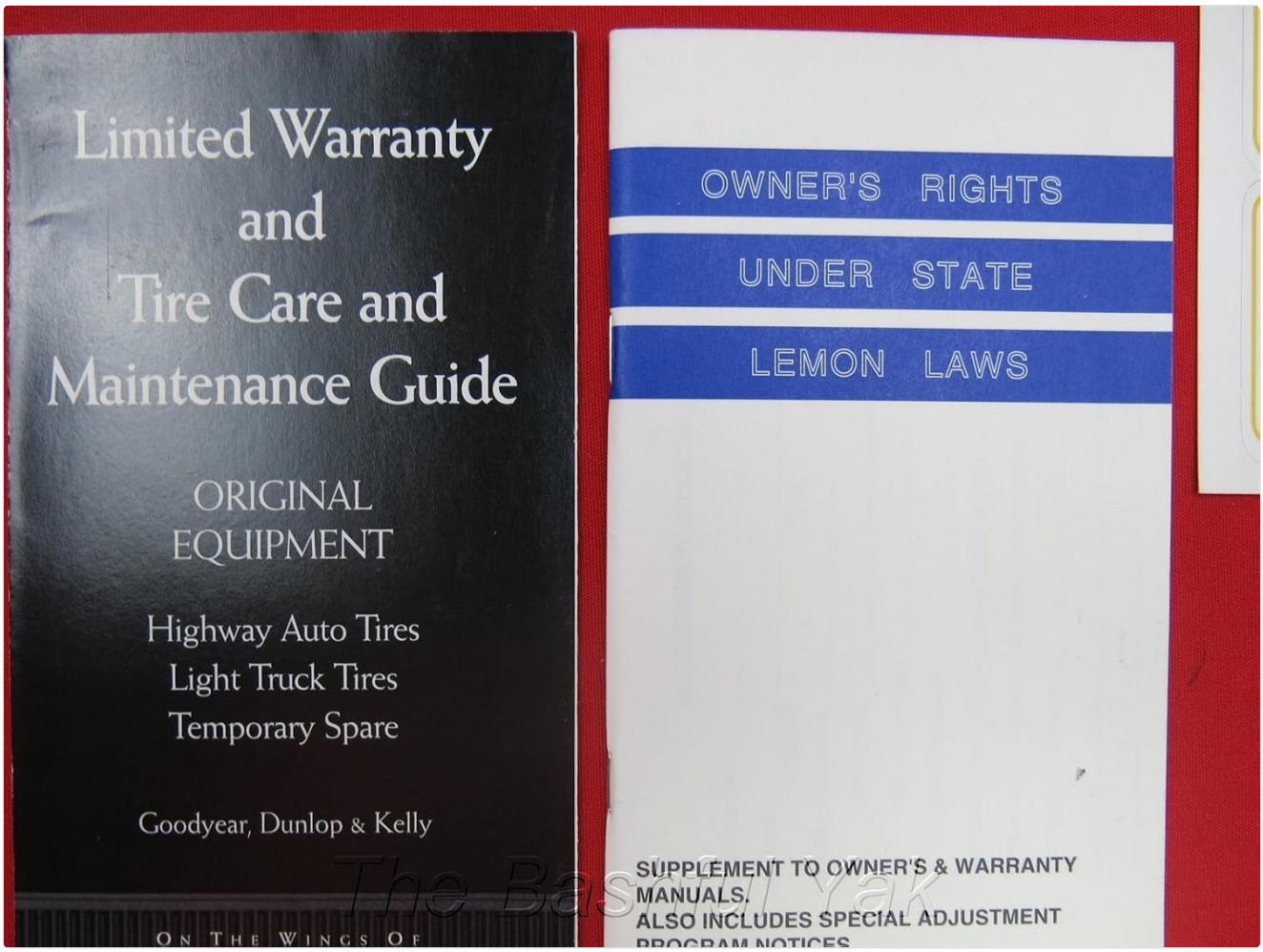


Image: Cover of the 'Limited Warranty and Tire Care and Maintenance Guide', providing details on tire maintenance.

Troubleshooting Common Issues

This section addresses common problems you might encounter with your 2006 Dodge Stratus Sedan and provides basic troubleshooting steps.

Engine Will Not Start

- **Dead Battery:** Check battery terminals for corrosion. If the battery is dead, jump-start the vehicle using proper procedures.
- **No Fuel:** Ensure there is sufficient fuel in the tank.
- **Ignition System:** If the engine cranks but doesn't start, there might be an issue with the ignition system. Consult a qualified technician.

Warning Lights Illuminated

- **Check Engine Light:** This indicates an issue with the engine or emissions system. It is recommended to have the vehicle diagnosed by a professional.
- **Oil Pressure Warning:** Pull over immediately and turn off the engine. Check the oil level. Do not drive if the light remains on after checking.
- **Brake Warning Light:** This could indicate low brake fluid or a problem with the braking system. Have it inspected immediately.

Flat Tire

If you experience a flat tire, safely pull over to a level area away from traffic. Refer to the tire changing instructions in your manual for steps on how to replace it with your spare tire.



Image: Cover of the Michelin Tire Owner's Manual, providing specific information for Michelin tires.

Specifications

Key technical specifications for the 2006 Dodge Stratus Sedan.

Feature	Specification
Engine Type	2.4L I4 or 2.7L V6 (depending on trim)
Transmission	4-speed automatic
Fuel Tank Capacity	Approximately 16 gallons (60.6 liters)
Wheelbase	108.0 inches (2743 mm)
Overall Length	191.6 inches (4867 mm)
Curb Weight	Approximately 3,100 - 3,300 lbs (1406 - 1497 kg)

Note: Specific specifications may vary based on trim level and optional equipment. Refer to your vehicle's documentation for exact details.

Warranty Information

Your 2006 Dodge Stratus Sedan is covered by a limited warranty. This section provides an overview of the warranty coverage and important details.

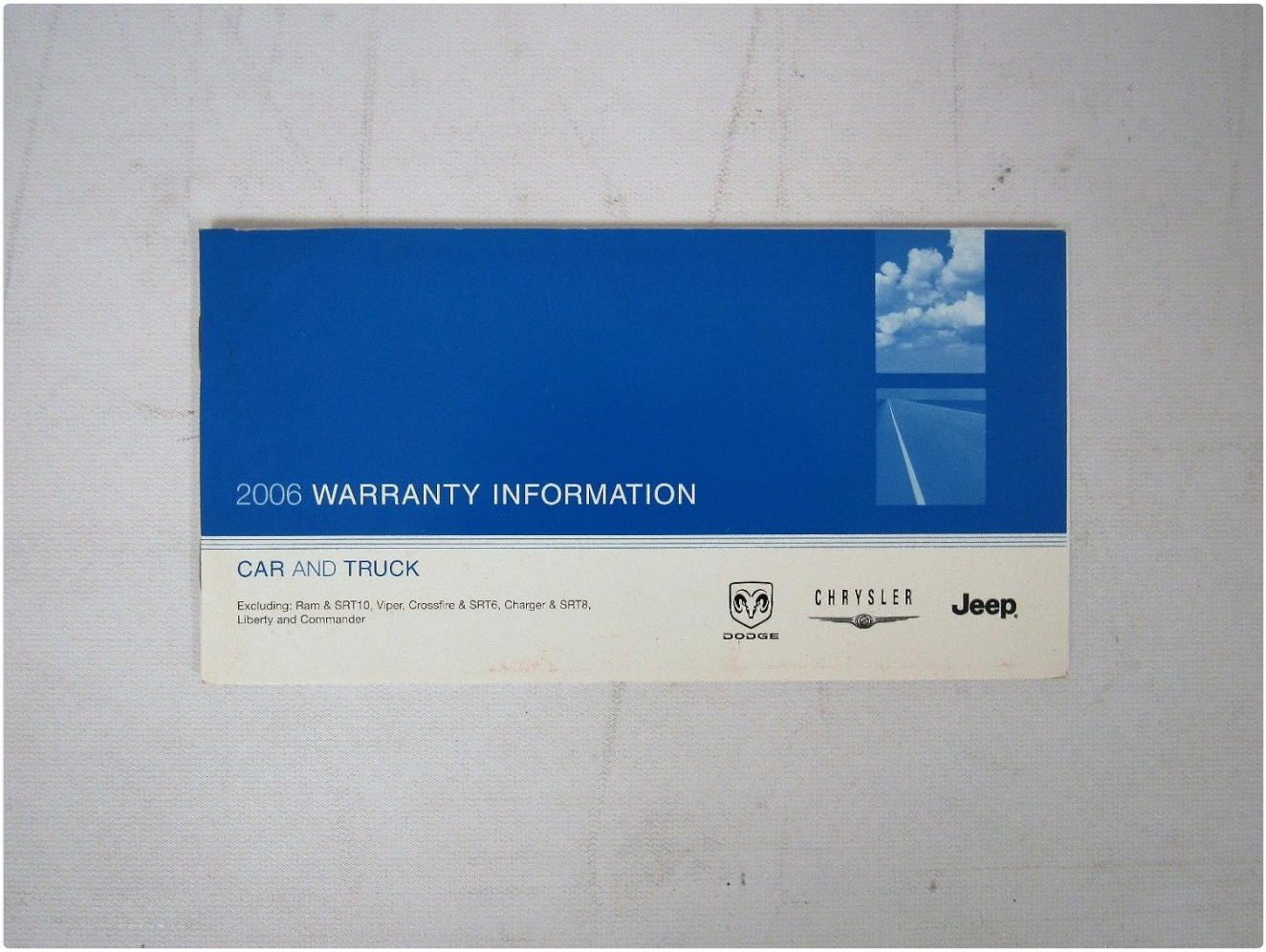


Image: Cover of the '2006 Warranty Information' booklet, detailing warranty coverage for the vehicle.

Coverage Details

- **Basic Limited Warranty:** Covers most vehicle components for a specified period or mileage.
- **Powertrain Limited Warranty:** Covers engine, transmission, and drive system components for a longer period or mileage.
- **Corrosion Perforation Limited Warranty:** Covers body panel rust-through.

For complete terms, conditions, and exclusions, please refer to the separate *2006 Warranty Information* booklet provided with your vehicle. This booklet also contains information regarding owner's rights under state lemon laws.

Customer Support and Assistance

Should you require assistance or have questions regarding your Dodge Stratus Sedan, various support options are available.

24-Hour Towing Assistance

In the event of a vehicle breakdown or if your vehicle unexpectedly requires service, 24-hour towing assistance is available. Keep your towing assistance identification cards readily accessible.

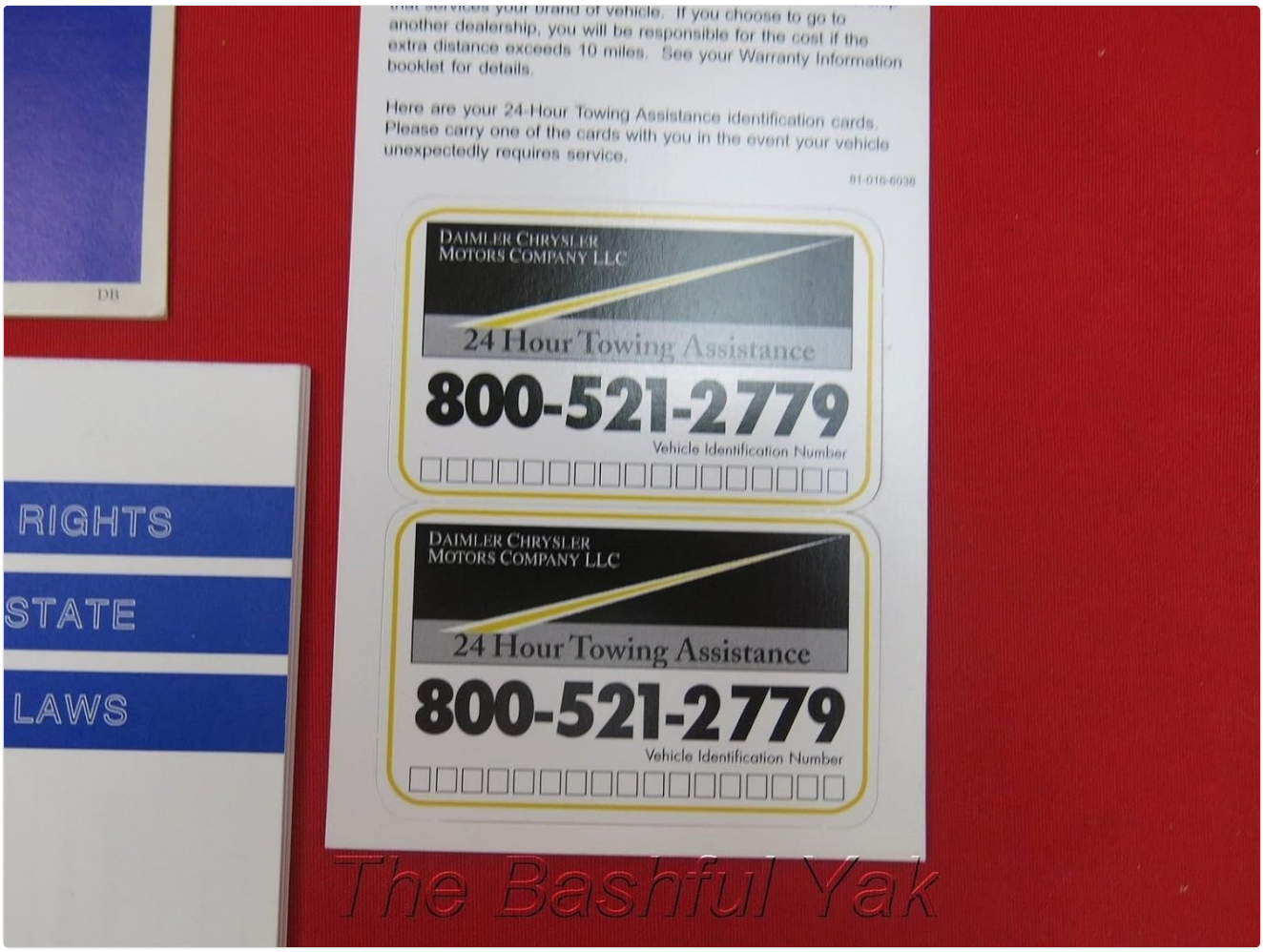


Image: DaimlerChrysler Motors Company LLC 24 Hour Towing Assistance identification cards with a phone number.

Towing Assistance Number: 800-521-2779

For general inquiries or to locate an authorized Dodge service center, please refer to the contact information provided in your warranty booklet or visit the official Dodge website.

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