



Did You Know?

The Meaning of Symbols and Indicator Lights

Many drivers do not understand the meaning of the symbols and indicator lights on their car dashboard. In fact, these lights have important information about the vehicle's condition, ranging from early warnings to instructions for using certain systems. The Multi Information Display (MID) panel on the car dashboard displays various indicator lights. Its function is to provide information, instructions, or warnings about the vehicle's condition, both when the engine is running and while driving. This article provides an explanation of indicator lights along with the appropriate steps for handling them.

Function of Indicator Lights

Car indicator lights provide instructions, information, and warnings to drivers about the condition of the vehicle, both when the engine is running and while driving.

In other words, indicator lights also help you know when it is time to replace components or detect damage to your car's components.



In addition to colors, indicator lights also have symbols. Here are some symbols commonly found in cars.



Engine Temperature

It indicates that the engine temperature has reached the normal limit. If this indicator light comes on, check the coolant and radiator fan.

Meaning of Indicator Light Colors

The indicator lights are located on the car dashboard. More precisely, located on the car's instrument cluster, commonly known as the Multi Information Display (MID).

Indicator lights are represented by colors that convey different information.

Red

Indicates a warning about the driving safety system. This could be a serious problem with a component or driving safety equipment that has not been activated.

Yellow/Orange

Indicates that a component needs to be checked or replaced immediately.

Green

Indicates that the system is active or provides instructions for operating a specific feature.

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Battery
 This indicates a problem with the battery or its cables. The battery may be dead, or there may be a short circuit.
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Oil Pressure
 Indicates insufficient oil lubrication in the engine or the oil is no longer suitable for use. If this indicator comes on, change the oil immediately.
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Brake Warning
 The parking brake is engaged, or there is a problem with the brake system, such as low brake fluid.
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Check Engine Indicator
 There is damage to the engine or related components.
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Seat Belt Indicator
 It indicates that the seat belt is not fastened.
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Washer Fluid Reminder
 The wiper fluid stored in the reservoir is almost empty.
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Power Steering Indicator
 If the car's power steering is not working, this light will turn off if the problem is resolved and the Electronic Control Unit (ECU) is reset.
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Parking Brake Indicator
 The handbrake is in active position.
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Fuel Light Indicator
 This means that the gasoline is almost empty, so refuel immediately.
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Tire Pressure Indicator Light
 If this indicator light is on, it means that the car's tire pressure is low. Fill the tires with air immediately.
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Fuel Tank Cap Indicator
 This indicator lights up when the gas or fuel tank cap is not tightly closed.
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ABS Indicator
 If it light, the car's Anti-lock Braking System (ABS) indicator is damaged.

Each car may have different indicators, depending on the type and technology. Therefore, always check your vehicle's manual, because checking the indicator lights only is not enough. You should conduct regular maintenance at a trusted workshop to maintain your car's performance and driving safety.

By keeping your vehicle in good condition, you are ensuring your own safety and other drivers. And to maintain comfort while driving. Having protection such as Indonesian Motor Vehicle Insurance Standard Policy would be wise.

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