Driving through Water

Avoid driving through water whenever it is possible. When driving across shallow water, choose a location to enter and exit the water where the banks are not too steep or slippery. Check before entering for rocks, holes or other obstacles which may cause you to overturn or become stuck or submerged.

Observe the following rules for operating the vehicle in water.

**WARNING**

Never operate the vehicle in rivers or streams where the water is flowing quickly. Such operation could lead to an accident if the vehicle loses traction and is swept into the current. Never operate the vehicle in water deeper than 18 cm (7 in.).

After prolonged exposure to water, the wheel bearings may require relubrication or replacement.

Wash the vehicle in fresh water if it has been exposed to salt water or operated in muddy conditions.

**WARNING**

Wet brakes provide greatly reduced efficiency and could lead to an accident and injury. After operation in water, always apply the brakes long enough for friction to dry the linings. Also, the brake that gets wet may wear out faster. Check for brake wear more frequently if the vehicle is used in water.

Remember:
- Avoid driving through water whenever possible.
- Don’t drive in deep and fast moving water.
- Dry out the brakes.