

ACCORDING TO OWNER'S MANUAL

For those who want excellent engine protection and performance for vehicle manufacturer-recommended oil change intervals.



TWICE PER YEAR

For those who want extra engine protection and performance and the convenience of twice-per-year oil changes.



OIL DRAIN INTERVALS

While AMSOIL pioneered the concept of extended drain intervals in 1972, the automotive industry and competing motor oil companies have only recently climbed on-board. There's no denying the once-standard 3,000-mile oil change is steadily fading away. Vehicle manufacturers have been gradually increasing their recommended drain intervals, and increasing use of oil life monitors has also pushed intervals well beyond 3,000 miles.

Customers have taken advantage; data shows they are driving longer between oil changes. According to the NPD Group's Aftermarket Outlook Survey, the percentage of vehicle owners who believe oil should be changed every 3,000 miles is 51 percent, down from 59 percent in 2007. The *National Oil & Lube News (NOLN)* Fast Lube Operators Survey confirms customers are steadily increasing their drain intervals, indicating a 7 percent increase in average oil change interval over the past six years.

According to NOLN research, manufacturer-recommended drain intervals have changed dramatically over the past six years, with many recommending longer intervals.

FORD

Six years ago, most vehicles had 3,000-mile recommended drain intervals for "special operating conditions" and 5,000-mile recommended intervals for "normal" driving. Some early hybrids had 10,000-mile "normal" intervals. Today, most vehicles are equipped with oil life monitors, with maximum intervals of 10,000 miles/one year.

GENERAL MOTORS

Recommended drain intervals are largely unchanged. Most vehicles are equipped with oil life monitors, which are programmed on a model-specific basis, with maximum intervals ranging up to 12,000 miles. Regardless of remaining oil life, GM recommends oil be changed at least annually.

CHRYSLER

Six years ago, vehicles had 3,000-mile severe-service (Schedule B) and 6,000-mile normal-service (Schedule A) recommended drain intervals. Today, most vehicles are equipped with oil life monitors, with maximum intervals of 8,000 miles/six months.

TOYOTA

Six years ago, vehicles had 5,000-mile recommended drain intervals. Today, most vehicles have 10,000-mile/one-year recommended intervals. The 4Runner model with the four-cylinder engine still carries a 5,000-mile drain recommendation.

HONDA

Six years ago, vehicles had 3,750-mile severe-service and 7,500-mile normal-service recommended drain intervals. Today, most vehicles are equipped with oil life monitors. Vehicles without oil life monitors have 5,000-mile severe-service and 10,000-mile normal-service recommended intervals.

NISSAN/INFINITI

Recommended drain intervals are largely unchanged. Schedule 1 calls for 3,750-mile intervals for "typical" drivers, Schedule 2 calls for 7,500-mile intervals for steady-state highway driving and the Premium Maintenance schedule calls for 3,750-mile intervals with additional service recommendations not included with the other schedules. Most vehicles allow drivers to adjust the reminder system.

ACURA

Six years ago, vehicles without oil life monitors had either 3,750-mile severe-service and 7,500-mile normal-service recommended drain intervals, or 5,000-mile severe-service and 10,000-mile normal-service recommended intervals. Today, vehicles without oil life monitors have 5,000-mile severe-service and 10,000-mile normal-service recommended intervals.



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STEADILY INCREASING

HYUNDAI

Recommended drain intervals are largely unchanged. Vehicles have 3,750-mile severe-service and 7,500-mile normal-service recommended intervals.

MAZDA

Vehicles have 5,000-mile/four-month recommended drain intervals for "special operating conditions" (Schedule 2) and 7,500-mile/six-month recommended intervals for "typical/suburban driving" (Schedule 1).

SUBURU

Recommended drain intervals are largely unchanged. An initial oil change is recommended at 3,000 miles/three months and subsequent oil changes are recommended at 7,500 miles/7.5 months.

SUZUKI

Recommended drain intervals are largely unchanged. Vehicles have 7,500-mile recommended intervals.

MITSUBISHI

Recommended drain intervals are largely unchanged. Non-turbocharged vehicles have 3,750-mile/three-month severe-service and 7,500-mile/six-month normal-service recommended intervals. Turbocharged vehicles have 3,000-mile/three-month severe-service and 5,000-mile/five-month normal-service recommended intervals.

KIA

Six years ago, vehicles had 3,000-mile severe-service and 7,500-mile normal-service recommended drain intervals. Today, most vehicles have 3,750-mile severe-service and 7,500-mile normal-service recommended intervals. Some vehicles have 5,000-mile/four-month severe-service and 6,500-mile/six-month normal-service recommended intervals.

SCION

Recommended drain intervals are largely unchanged. Vehicles have 5,000-mile/six-month recommended intervals.

VOLKSWAGEN

Six years ago, vehicles had 5,000-mile recommended drain intervals. Today, recommendations are vehicle-specific, ranging from 6,000 miles/three months to 10,000 miles/one year.

VOLVO

Recommended drain intervals are largely unchanged. Vehicles have 7,500-mile recommended intervals.

LEXUS

Six years ago, vehicles had 5,000-mile/four-month drain intervals for "special operating conditions" and 7,500-mile/six-month intervals for "typical" driving. Today, vehicles have 5,000-mile/six-month recommended intervals. Some hybrid vehicles that use synthetic oil have 10,000-mile/one-year recommended intervals.

AUDI

Recommended drain intervals are largely unchanged. An initial oil change is recommended at 5,000 miles and subsequent oil changes are recommended every 10,000 miles.

BMW

Recommended drain intervals are largely unchanged. Intervals are determined by oil life monitors.

JAGUAR

Six years ago, vehicles had 10,000-mile recommended drain intervals. Today, vehicles have 15,000-mile/one-year recommended intervals.

LAND ROVER

Vehicles have 15,000-mile/one-year recommended drain intervals.

MERCEDES-BENZ

Six years ago, vehicles had 13,000-mile/one-year recommended drain intervals. Today, most vehicles have 10,000-mile/one-year recommended intervals.

PORSCHE

Six years ago, vehicles had 20,000-mile/two-year recommended drain intervals. Today, vehicles have 10,000-mile/one-year recommended intervals.