

Professional Auto Care Newsletter

January and February 2009

Announcements:

- Happy New Year from everyone here at Professional Auto Care.
- AAA Texas members receive a discount at Professional Auto Care just by showing their membership card when they drop off their vehicles.
- Remember we are your one stop shop, with our state inspection center, alignment center, and car sales department. In addition, keep in mind when you refer someone to our shop you will receive a free oil change voucher in the mail.
- Swing by the shop to get your power steering fluid checked out free.

Things You Auto Know:

Facts about the Power Steering

1. The steering system is one of the most important systems on a vehicle and unfortunately, it is the most often neglected.
2. Fluid contamination is the #1 cause of premature system wear. In order to function properly, regular maintenance is required.
3. Without regular maintenance, the power steering fluid becomes contaminated [i.e., dirt, water, metal particles]. This results in;
 - ⓪ Oxidized fluids
 - ⓪ Sealing surface leaks
 - ⓪ Loss of power steering
 - ⓪ Rust
 - ⓪ Pump breakdown
4. Power steering fluid subject to extreme temperature and friction breaks down. The fluid becomes contaminated and can reduce lubrication as well as cause varnish deposits.

Facts about the Power Steering Flush

1. Power steering flush is the process of flushing the entire power steering system, the pump, lines and the rack or gearbox.
2. Benefits of Power Steering Clean & Flush:
 - ⓪ Prevent premature wear on vital parts
 - ⓪ Prevent varnish build up
 - ⓪ Avoid costly repairs
3. When should a Power Steering Clean and Flush be performed?
 - ⓪ The general rule is that one should get their power steering cleaned and flushed every 30,000 miles. However, check your owner manual or ask a certified technician.

Sources: Auto Solutions, Automotive Maintenance Solutions

**During the months of January and February we will be giving free power steering checks, not only looking at the fluid levels, but also the condition of your vehicle's fluid.