



ENGINE CLEANING CHECKLIST

The following checklist covers procedures for waterless “cosmetic” engine detailing, ideal for modern engine compartments with extensive plastic cladding and electronic components sensitive to large volumes of water.

SUPPLIES

☐ LARGE FLAGGED-TIP BRUSH	☐ OPTI-SURFACE CLEANSER
☐ HORSEHAIR BRUSH	☐ PLASTIC SEALANT
☐ SMALL PAINT BRUSH	☐ THE FINAL FINISH
☐ LEAF BLOWER	☐ FOAM OR MICROFIBER APPLICATOR PADS
☐ NITRILE GLOVES	☐ DISH OR BOWL
☐ SAFETY GLASSES	☐ MICROFIBER TOWELS

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES

☐ ENSURE ENGINE IS COOL TO TOUCH	☐ 8. WIPE INSULATION WITH DAMP TOWELS
☐ MOVE VEHICLE OUT OF DIRECT SUNLIGHT	☐ 9. DIVIDE ENGINE/BAY INTO SECTIONS
☐ 1. PICK OUT LARGE LOOSE DEBRIS BY HAND	☐ 10. SPRAY CLEANSER TO SECTION OF ENGINE/BAY
☐ 2. REMOVE LOOSE DEBRIS WITH BLOWER	☐ 11. AGITATE WITH BRUSHES & WIPE DRY
☐ 3. START WITH UNDERSIDE OF HOOD	☐ 12. REPEAT ON REST OF ENGINE/BAY
☐ 4. SPRAY PAINTED SECTIONS WITH CLEANSER	☐ 13. APPLY PLASTIC SEALANT TO ALL PLASTIC
☐ 5. AGITATE WITH VARIETY OF BRUSHES	☐ 14. USE BOWL & BRUSH FOR INTRICATE AREAS
☐ 6. WIPE CLEAN WITH MICROFIBER TOWEL	☐ 15. APPLY FINAL FINISH TO PAINTED SURFACES
☐ 7. SCRUB INSULATION WITH HORSEHAIR BRUSH	