

# Changing A Tire On A Vehicle

## Before Your Next Flat!

- Familiarize yourself with the car owner's manual on the proper procedure & warnings for changing a flat.
- Remove the jack and wrench, assemble and practice operating it. If it is rusty, lubricate it.
- Periodically check your tires to make sure they are properly inflated, INCLUDING YOUR SPARE! Spare tires are not usually in sight and often neglected, causing them to be flat and unusable.
- Inspect all tires on a regular basis.



## During A Flat!

- Put your emergency flashers on.
- Gradually slow down and pull over to the road as far as possible. Never stop suddenly. Check your surroundings and if you feel unsafe for any reason, do not hesitate to call Emergency 911 or a service provider.
- Make sure the ground is level and secure. Jacks should never be placed where the ground is soft and subject to sinking.
- Ensure the vehicle is in park, the emergency brake is applied, and the vehicle is shut off.
- Use wheel chocks. Chock the front & back of the tire that is diagonally opposite to the flat.
- Place safety markers equipped in your vehicle behind the vehicle and on the road.
- Follow manufacture's procedures and warnings for changing a tire.
- Never enter underneath the vehicle with any part of your body unless the vehicle has been properly secured.
- Ensure the lug nuts are tight.



## After A Flat!

- Have your tire repaired or replaced asap. Most spares are only meant for temporary use.
- Have all other tires evaluated at the same time, including your spare.
- Have the tire retorqued to the appropriate torque setting at a facility mobile shop or local tire shop at your earliest convenience (no longer than travelling 100km's).

