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## OIL CHANGES & YOUR CAR

REGULAR OIL CHANGES ARE  
IMPORTANT FOR YOUR CAR'S "HEALTH"

Regular oil changes are vital to the proper functioning of your car. But, taking your car in for this essential service isn't only about changing the oil and filter – bringing your car to a reputable facility for an oil change is a great way to ensure its overall "health."

Here are some of the additional "check-up" services your technician should provide during an oil change:

- Inspect belts, hoses, air filter, lights, and wipers
- Perform a battery test to determine its condition and functioning
- Inspect the steering, suspension, fuel supply lines, brake lines, and exhaust
- Check the condition of all fluids
- Look for system leaks or problems
- Choose the correct oil for your vehicle based on manufacturers' recommendations



AAA Car Care Centers provide oil changes and check-up services

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Your service technician can help you determine how frequently your oil should be changed based on manufacturers' recommendations for the type of oil your vehicle requires. Keep in mind, the automotive industry recommends more frequent oil changes for vehicles that are subject to "severe driving conditions," including extremely cold or hot weather, stop-and-go city driving, dusty driving conditions, frequent trips under 10 miles, and carrying heavy loads or towing a trailer.

Need an oil change from a service provider you can trust? Please visit **AAA.com/CarCare** or call **866-AAA-AUTO** (866-222-2886) to locate a AAA Car Care Center or AAA Approved Auto Repair facility near you.

