

# 3 VEHICLE HANDLING

**All handlers of DaimlerChrysler vehicles must adhere to the following procedure.**

1. Wearing apparel must be clean to prevent soiling the interior of the vehicle. If gloves are worn, they must be clean. Watches, rings, or loose hanging jewelry shall not be worn around vehicles.
2. Vehicle handlers must exercise care to keep carpets, seats, dash and side panels free from grease, dirt, mud and other foreign matter. Seat covers and mat protectors furnished by shipping plants must remain in position. If they come off or partially off during handling, vehicle handlers must be reposition loose covers.
3. Vehicle handlers must not smoke, eat, or lounge in vehicles. They must not lean against the exterior of vehicles. Excessive idling, speeding, racing of engine, or spinning of tires is strictly forbidden.
4. Protective garments or coveralls must be worn and not have exposed zippers, belt buckles, buttons, etc., which may cause denting, scratching, scraping of the exterior surfaces of vehicles.
5. Handlers must ensure that all electrical accessories are turned off when exiting the vehicle, including, but not limited to, headlights, radios and, fan motors. *Dead batteries due to electrical accessories left on is a vehicle handler transportation responsibility.*
6. Windows, hoods, doors, deck lids, glove boxes and lift gates must be kept closed.

**NOTE:** The raising of hoods or deck lids, opening of doors or windows, or use of any vehicle lights for the purpose of signaling “OK to ship,” “Mechanical Difficulty” or any other condition(s) are not permitted. Any device, document or marking used to identify any such vehicle condition must be removed before delivery to the dealer. At no time shall magnetic cones be placed on units for the purpose of identifying a vehicle.

7. DaimlerChrysler Corporation must approve any engine heater installations required for DaimlerChrysler vehicles prior to installation.
8. If a vehicle is received in a no start condition, refer to the ‘No Start’ procedure under Section 2.
9. Vehicles are not to be “rock cycled” (rhythmically shifted between forward and reverse gears) or pushed when stuck in snow or mud. Vehicles are to be towed out.
10. Under no circumstances are DaimlerChrysler vehicles to be used as shuttle or tow vehicles.
11. Use of crayons for marking on glass or painted surfaces is prohibited. No stickers shall be placed on glass or painted surfaces.
12. It is imperative that the complete vehicle identification number on the vehicle shipping order identically matches the number of the identification plate located on the left front instrument panel so as to prevent mis-shipped vehicles.
13. At no time shall a vehicle be entered or exited through any means other than the driver’s side front door.

14. Any vehicle with an unusable or missing tie down point is not to be moved. The designated DaimlerChrysler Quality Assurance Auditor is to be informed immediately of the problem.
15. Ratchet wrenches and bars used for tightening or releasing tie downs must be of such a length so as to prevent contact with the vehicle body during use. Tools used during rail loading or unloading must have protective covering.
16. At no time shall tire pressure be increased or decreased to gain clearance desired.
17. Four-wheel drive units equipped with transfer cases are not to be operated or transported in 4-LOW.