ERM User Manual

How to start or warm up Iveco Van or Manual Vehicles and how to switch them off?

Starting a manual vehicle takes some consideration. The following FAQ provides specific step by step instructions on how to start a manual vehicle or warm up the engine. This method can be used on any manual vehicle or the company Iveco Vans or trucks.

TURN ON THE VEHICLE to warm up the engine/charge battery or to drive off.

1. Place your foot on the brake pedal and press. Make sure you do not touch the accelerator.

2. Place your left foot on the clutch pedal and press the pedal until the floor.

3. Check the parking brake is secure and in the lock position. If not secure the parking brake. VERY IMPORTANT YOU DO NOT TAKE THE NEXT STEPS UNLESS THE PARKING BRAKE IS CHECKED AND IS IN THE LOCK/SECURE POSITION.

4. Move the gear stick into manual. The easiest way to do this is to move the gear stick into the middle.

5. Insert the key in the ignition.

6. While keeping your foot on the brake pedal and on the clutch, turn the key to start the engine of the vehicle.

7. Once the engine has started, slowly release your left foot from clutch pedal.

8. For Safety, check the parking brake is secured and in the lock position.

9. Slowly release your foot from the brake.

10. Let the manual vehicle warm up for about 10-15 minutes.
    1. If you are doing this to only charge the battery, you can remain in the vehicle or within close proximity of the vehicle. DO NOT LEAVE THE VEHICLE UNATTENDED with the keys in the vehicle and the engine on.

       NSW Police confirmed with Yahoo Finance that leaving the engine running then walking away more than 3 metres from the car is an illegal act.

       Most Australians, would have done this at some stage. But it's against the law.

       The offence is listed in the same legislation that also penalises motorists if they walk away from the vehicle with windows open, doors unlocked or with the key in the ignition.

       Similar laws exist in other states, with varying financial penalties.

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While these rules might seem nitpicky, they are there for legitimate reasons.

"Inviting theft creates unnecessary work for the police," said greeslips.com.au insurance expert Corrina Baird.

"Inviting theft also creates work for car insurers and costs them money – but only if they accept your claim."

2. If you are starting the manual vehicle to drive off, let the vehicle warm up for about 5 minutes before putting the vehicle into the correct gear and driving off.

TO TURN OFF THE VEHICLE AFTER WARMING UP THE ENGINE OR HAVING PARKED THE VEHICLE.

1. Place your foot on the brake pedal and press. Make sure you do not touch the accelerator.
2. Check the parking brake is secure and in the lock position. If not secure the parking brake. VERY IMPORTANT YOU DO NOT TAKE THE NEXT STEPS UNLESS THE PARKING BRAKE IS CHECKED AND IS IN THE LOCK/SECURE POSITION.
3. Place your left foot on the clutch pedal and press the pedal until the floor.
4. While keeping your foot on the brake pedal and on the clutch, turn the ignition key to the off position to turn the engine off.
5. While keeping your foot on the brake pedal and on the clutch, move the gear stick into first gear.
    1. If the vehicle is on an incline (up hill), always put the vehicle in first gear for added security to support the weight of the vehicle from rolling down the hill.
    2. If the vehicle is on a decline (down hill), always put the vehicle in reverse gear for added security to support the weight of the vehicle.
6. Slowly release your left foot from the clutch pedal. MAKE SURE YOUR OTHER FOOT IS STILL PRESSING ON THE BRAKE PEDAL.
7. Slowly release your other foot from the brake pedal.
8. For Safety, check the parking brake is secured and in the lock position once more.
9. Take the key out of the ignition.
10. Exit the vehicle and secure the vehicle ensuring all windows and doors are locked.

Questions Asked and Answered:

1. David Phillip | 04-Aug-2020 08:16 |
   Question. Point 4 it states: "Move the gear stick into manual." Can this also be

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referred to as "having the gear stick in nuetral?"

a. answered by @steve.baltzois 12-Aug-2020 20:57

a. You have move the gear stick into neutral before you can say "having the gear stick in neutral". Whenever you enter a manual vehicle the last driver should have always placed the gear-stick in a gear position 1,2,3 or reverse. You cannot refer to it as having the gear stick in neutral as you have to physically move it from a gear position into the position of neutral.

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