SECTION 2

LUBRICATION

1962 CORVAIR AND CORVAIR 95—GREENBRIER—ALL SERIES

Lubrication information for the 1962 Corvair and Corvair 95 remains basically the same as outlined in the 1961 Corvair and Corvair 95 Shop Manual except the recommendations for engine lubrication, fuel filter service and rear axle and transmission drain. These items should be serviced as described for 1963 vehicles in following paragraphs.

1963 CORVAIR AND CORVAIR 95—GREENBRIER—ALL SERIES

PERIODIC MAINTENANCE AND LUBRICATION

The time or mileage intervals shown for the services outlined below are intended as a guide for establishing regular maintenance and lubrication periods. Sustained heavy duty or high speed operations or operation under adverse conditions may necessitate more frequent servicing.

ENGINE LUBRICATION

The engine is filled at the factory with a special break-in oil which must be drained after 500 miles when operating in temperatures of 60°F and higher, and refilled with oil of the viscosity shown in the chart.

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<th>Lowest Anticipated Temperature During Time Oil Will Be in Crankcase</th>
<th>Recommended SAE Viscosity Oils</th>
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<td>32°F.</td>
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<td>SAE 10W-30</td>
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<td>SAE 10W-30</td>
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<td>Below −10°F.</td>
<td>SAE 5W</td>
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It is recommended that you use an oil which, according to the label on the can is (1) intended for service MS and (2) passes car makers' tests or meets General Motors Standard GM 4745-M.

Check the oil level on the dipstick frequently. The level should be somewhere between the "add oil" and "full" marks on the dipstick. Do not overfill. Poor performance and possible engine damage may result if the crankcase is overfilled. Drain and refill the crankcase every 6000 miles or 60 days, whichever occurs first. See Note 3.

When checking or adding oil, be careful to avoid spilling or dropping oil onto the engine shrouding.

OIL FILTER

Change the filter element every 6000 miles or every six months, whichever occurs first. See Note 3.

ENGINE OIL COOLER

Every 12,000 miles remove cover and brush or blow out accumulated dirt. See Note 3.

CRANKCASE VENTILATION VALVE

At every oil change the valve should be tested for proper function and replaced when necessary. See Note 3.

AIR CLEANER

The Corvair Turbo-Air and Super Turbo-Air engines are equipped with two air cleaners, one on each carburetor. Turbocharged engines have one air cleaner. Remove each air cleaner element and service as follows:

Every 6000 miles clean and reoil filter element. To clean: remove element from screen, wash in nonchlorinated cleaning solvent such as kerosene to remove oil and dirt. Squeeze dry, dip in engine oil and squeeze to remove excess oil. (Never shake or wring—always squeeze.) Then wrap element in a clean, dry cloth and squeeze out any remaining oil. See Note 3.

BATTERY

Every 6000 miles clean and oil battery terminals and oil felt washer. Clean top of battery with diluted ammonia or soda solution and flush with clean water. Check state of charge especially in freezing weather. An undercharged battery may freeze and break.

GENERATOR

Every 12,000 miles fill both oilers with light engine oil. Do not over-oil the oiler nearest fan belt.
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DISTRIBUTOR CAM LUBRICATOR
 Every 12,000 miles rotate cam lubricator 180 degrees. Replace lubricator at 24,000 mile intervals.

FUEL FILTER
Corvair and Corvair 95
 Replace filters, located in each carburetor inlet, only if flooding occurs.
Corvair Spyder
 The fuel filter is a separate unit mounted on the air cleaner support bracket at the left of the air cleaner. It should be replaced at 12,000 mile intervals. At the same interval, also clean the screen located in the carburetor inlet.

STEERING GEAR
 Every 6000 miles or 6 months remove the filler plug and check to see that the lubricant is at the level of the filler plug hole. If necessary add steering gear lubricant as required.

UNIVERSAL JOINTS
 Every 30,000 miles clean and repack the universal joints with high melting point wheel bearing lubricant.

FRONT WHEEL BEARINGS
 Every 30,000 miles clean and repack bearings with high melting point wheel bearing lubricant. Replace grease seals at the same time.

CHASSIS LUBRICANT
 Every 6,000 miles or six months lubricate the chassis, at the points listed below, with lubricant specified in Note 1.
Corvair and Spyder
 Front Suspension—4 Lubrication Fittings.
 Steering Linkage—4 Lubrication Fittings.
 Clutch Cross Shaft—1 Lubrication Fitting.
Corvair 95
 Front Suspension—4 Lubrication Fittings.
 Steering Linkage—8 Lubrication Fittings.
 Clutch Pedal Pivot—1 Lubrication Fitting.
 Brake Pedal Pivot—1 Lubrication Fitting.
 Clutch Linkage—Coat the exposed clutch linkage (located just ahead and to the right of the transmission).

TRANSMISSION—POWERGLIDE
 Every 6000 miles check fluid level on dipstick, located in the right front of the engine compartment, with engine idling, selector lever in NEUTRAL position, parking brake set and transmission at operating temperature. Add automatic transmission fluid type “A” bearing the mark AQ-ATF, followed by a number and the suffix letter “A,” to full mark on dipstick. DO NOT OVERFILL. Correct oil level must be established by dipstick measurement.
 Add small amounts of oil, checking the level after each addition, until the proper level is reached.

NOTE: From the “Add Oil” mark to the “Full” mark on the dipstick indicates a difference of only 1 pint of fluid.

If vehicle is so equipped, clean dust and dirt from transmission oil cooler every 12,000 miles. Cooler can be serviced through battery access door.

TRANSMISSION—3 AND 4-SPEED
 Follow recommendations given under “Rear Axle.”

TRANSMISSION CONTROL LINKAGE—3 AND 4-SPEED
Corvair and Spyder
 Every 12,000 miles pull back rubber boot and surround connector and the surrounding area with lubricant specified in Note 1.
 Every 12,000 miles remove tunnel cover under vehicle and lubricate gearshift lever ball and socket with lubriplate.
Corvair 95
 Every 6000 miles lubricate the fitting located at the forward end of the transmission control rod with lubricant specified in Note 1.

REAR AXLE
 Every 6000 miles check rear axle at operating temperature and keep lubricant at level of filler plug. If rear axle lubricant is low, check 3- or 4-speed lubricant level also. Keep filled with lubricant specified in Note 2.

BRAKE MAIN CYLINDER
 Every 6,000 miles check fluid level and maintain ¼” below opening with G.M. Hydraulic Brake Fluid Super No. 11.

PARKING BRAKE AND CLUTCH PULLEYS
 AND CABLES—CORVAIR AND SPYDER
 Every 12,000 miles lubricate pulleys under dash. Remove the tunnel cover under vehicle and lubricate pulleys and cable bearing points with lubricant specified in Note 1. Lubricate gearshift lever ball and socket at the same time.
AIR CONDITIONING

Every 6000 miles check sight glass, located under the hood, after the system has been in operation for several minutes. Sight glass should be clear. Bubbles or dirt indicate a leak which should be corrected immediately by your Chevrolet Dealer.

Every week—during winter months—run the system 10 to 15 minutes to ensure proper lubrication of the seals and moving parts.

Body Lubrication

The body lubrication requirements remain the same as indicated in the 1961 Corvair Shop Manual except for the addition of lubrication requirements for the rear quarter regulator and guides.

Lubricate when access to parts is available.

Rear Quarter Window Regulator and Cams

Apply a coat of Lubriplate or equivalent to area of regulator sector indicated by “1” and to sliding surfaces of guide or cam channels as indicated by “2” in Figure 2-1.

![Figure 2-1](image)

NOTE 1: Lubricate with water resistant EP lube, General Motors Standard GM4751-M.

NOTE 2: Use SAE 80 or SAE 80-90 Multi-purpose Gear Lubricant meeting requirements of U.S. Ordnance Spec. MIL-L-2105B.

NOTE 3: Under prolonged dusty driving conditions it is recommended that this operation be performed more often.