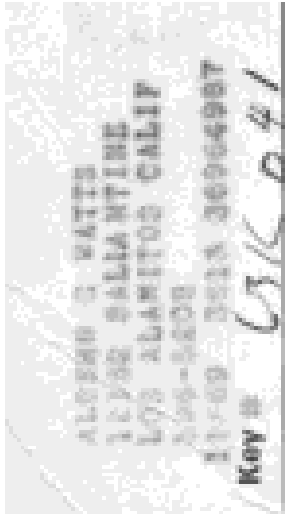
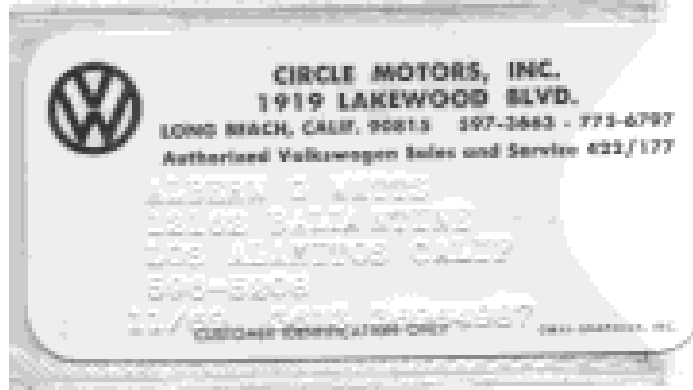


# Owner's Manual





Customer identification card imprint



## Customer Identification Card

This is another feature of Volkswagen Service that adds to your convenience. Just present this Manual whenever you stop for service at your Authorized Volkswagen Dealer. Your identification Card will quickly furnish the Service Adviser with your name and address and all pertinent vehicle data.

# Volkswagen Owner's Manual

## 1969 Models

VOLKSWAGEN PACIFIC, INC.  
11300 PLAYA STREET, CULVER CITY, CALIF.  
SELLING DEALER: CIRCLE MOTORS INC. #177



### Warranty Voucher

for the new VW automobile

Type:

Chassis No.

Engine No.

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In accordance with the terms of warranty printed overleaf.



The warranty commences at the data the VW automobile is delivered to the original purchaser,

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and covers a period of 24 months or the period before the vehicle has been driven 24000 miles, whichever event shall first occur. Should any warranty claim arise, you are requested to submit this voucher to your VW Dealer.

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No warranties, express or implied, as to Volkswagen vehicles sold in the United States are made either by Volkswagen of America, Inc. or by the manufacturer or by the selling dealer, except the following warranty by Volkswagen of America, Inc.

## Warranty for new Volkswagen vehicles

This warranty is issued by Volkswagen of America, Inc. ("VWoA"), the authorized United States importer of Volkswagen vehicles.

**Free repair or replacement in United States and Canada of defective parts for 24 months or 24,000 miles**

1. VWoA warrants that every Volkswagen vehicle imported by VWoA and sold as a new vehicle to a retail customer by an authorized United States Volkswagen dealer will be free from defects in material and workmanship under normal use and service for 24 months after the date of delivery of the vehicle to the original retail customer or until the vehicle has been driven 24,000 miles, whichever comes first. This warranty is limited, however, to the following: If any part of the vehicle becomes defective during this period under normal use and service and the vehicle is brought to the workshop of any authorized Volkswagen dealer in the continental United States, Hawaii or Canada, the dealer will, without charge, either repair the defective part or replace it with a new or factory reconditioned part.

**Maintenance and validation by owner required to keep warranty in effect**

2. In order to keep this warranty in effect, the owner must do two things:

FIRST: The owner must have the vehicle maintained and serviced as prescribed in the Volkswagen Maintenance Schedule (See page 55).

SECOND: Every twelve months during the warranty period the owner must obtain from an authorized United States Volkswagen dealer a Validation Stamp on the Maintenance Card to show that the vehicle has been maintained and serviced in accordance with the Volkswagen Maintenance Schedule. Validation will be made upon presentation of bills or other evidence sufficient to satisfy the dealer that the required service and maintenance have been performed. The validated Maintenance Card must be submitted whenever a claim is made under this warranty.

**Items not covered by warranty**

3. VWoA's warranty does not cover:

(i) Defects damage or deterioration due to normal use, wear and tear or exposure; (ii) normal maintenance services, such as fuel system cleaning and wheel, brake or clutch adjustments; (iii) the replacement of service items, as, for instance, spark plugs, ignition points, V-belts, wiper blades or brake and clutch linings; (iv) deterioration of upholstery, soft trim and appearance items; (v) damage or defects due to misuse, alteration, negligence or accident; and (vi) damage or defects due to the repair of the vehicle by someone other than an authorized Volkswagen dealer or the installation of parts other than genuine Volkswagen parts.

**Warranty outside United States and Canada**

4. If the vehicle is brought to an authorized Volkswagen workshop outside the continental United States, Hawaii or Canada, VWoA's warranty will not be applicable, and defective parts will be repaired or replaced free of charge with new or factory reconditioned parts only within the terms and limitations of the warranty for new Volkswagen vehicles in effect in the country where such authorized Volkswagen workshop is located.

**No other warranties made**

5. This warranty is in lieu of all other express or implied warranties of VWoA, the manufacturer and the selling dealer, including any implied warranty of merchantability or fitness for any particular purpose. Neither VWoA nor the manufacturer assumes, or authorizes any person to assume, on its behalf, any other obligation or liability.

## Let us explain the warranty . . .

Volkswagen of America, Inc is proud of the quality of automobiles it imports. It warrants new vehicles for a period of 2 years or 24,000 miles from the date of purchase, whichever comes first. In general the complete vehicle including battery and tires is covered under the provisions of the Volkswagen New Vehicle Warranty. It will be honored by any Authorized Volkswagen Dealer in all 50 States, the District of Columbia and Canada.

This warranty is transferable if the ownership of the vehicle changes within the above period.

In order to keep the warranty in force, you as the owner of the vehicle have certain responsibilities. It is important that the vehicle be maintained properly. To facilitate record keeping, this booklet provides on pages 57 to 59 space for listing maintenance services and oil changes as they are performed. **Maintenance services should be performed by Authorized Volkswagen Dealers. They offer with their factory-trained Volkswagen mechanics and special tools, fast, efficient service in accordance with Volkswagen quality standards.**

Validation is a requirement of the Volkswagen New Vehicle Warranty. One year after the date of delivery the warranty must be validated for the second year. This can be done at any Authorized Volkswagen Dealership in the USA or Canada. For that purpose, you should present to the Authorized Volkswagen Dealer the maintenance record for your vehicle. Provided that maintenance services or oil changes were performed in accordance with Volkswagen specifications, dated bills of other than Authorized Volkswagen Dealers will be accepted as proof that these services were performed on time.

Not all repairs, adjustments and replacements, however, are the result of defects in material or workmanship. There are other circumstances beyond the control of the manufacturer that might make a workshop visit necessary. These depend mainly on where you drive and how you drive. They would include weather and atmospheric conditions, varying road surfaces, individual driving habits and vehicle usage.

For example, you are required to pay for the following:

**Maintenance services and oil changes**

**Wheel alignment and wheel balancing** —the frequency of such services depends on driving conditions such as rapid starts and stops, tire skidding, hitting pot holes and curbs, etc.

**Mechanical adjustments** —including brake, clutch, door locks are required as a matter of normal operation of a motor vehicle. This protects you against early or expensive replacements.

**Brake end clutch linings** —are directly affected by driving habits and use. The replacement of these linings and the reconditioning of brake drums should be performed whenever necessary

**Spark plugs and ignition points** —are subject to wear. Periodic replacements ensure you of maximum engine performance and gasoline economy.

**Wiper blades** —life expectancy will vary widely depending on climatic conditions and extent of use. You are the best judge to decide when they should be replaced.

**Light bulbs and fuses** —are service items.

**Paint, chrome, trim and other appearance items** —are affected by normal wear and exposure. Proper care of these items can add to their appearance and durability. (Imperfections are normally apparent during New Vehicle pre-delivery inspection. For your protection, please report any imperfection to your Dealer immediately after you notice it.)

**Tires and batteries** —are subject to wear. If there is a defect you pay only for the amount of use you have gotten. An adjustment for tires is based on the remaining tread depth, for batteries on time used based on 36 months of service. This is known as the pro-rata method of adjustment.

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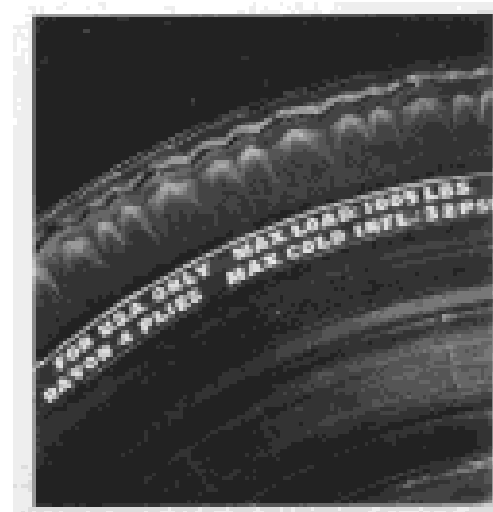
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Specifications are subject to alteration without notice

This sticker assures you that your 1969 Volkswagen complies with all US Motor Vehicle Safety Standards which were in effect at the time when the vehicle was produced.

**Volkswagenwerk AG**  
certifies to the dealer that  
this vehicle conforms to all US  
federal motor vehicle safety  
standards applicable at time  
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The tires of your Volkswagen conform to the US Motor Vehicle Safety Standards. When purchasing replacement tires, make sure that their label shows the same specifications for tire size, load carrying capacity etc.





# Getting acquainted

## It is advisable

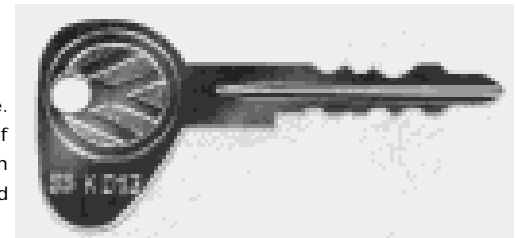
to read this Owner's Manual carefully. You will then get to know your new car quickly and will be able to start off on your trip with complete confidence. You will notice, your Volkswagen has many features designed with your safety in mind.

The first part of this manual deals with the operation of your Volkswagen. Everything about winter driving, tips on care of the vehicle and numerous points on carrying out small repairs and adjustments are given in the second half. It further contains information on lubrication and maintenance and some interesting technical data.

Additionally, this book contains the warranty voucher and the terms of warranty as well as a punchcard for the free-of-charge maintenance service and a maintenance schedule. An easy-to-use maintenance record provides a stamping field, so you can tell at a glance when a maintenance service is due. The stamps in the squares show that the oil changes and maintenance services have been carried out regularly.

## Only one key

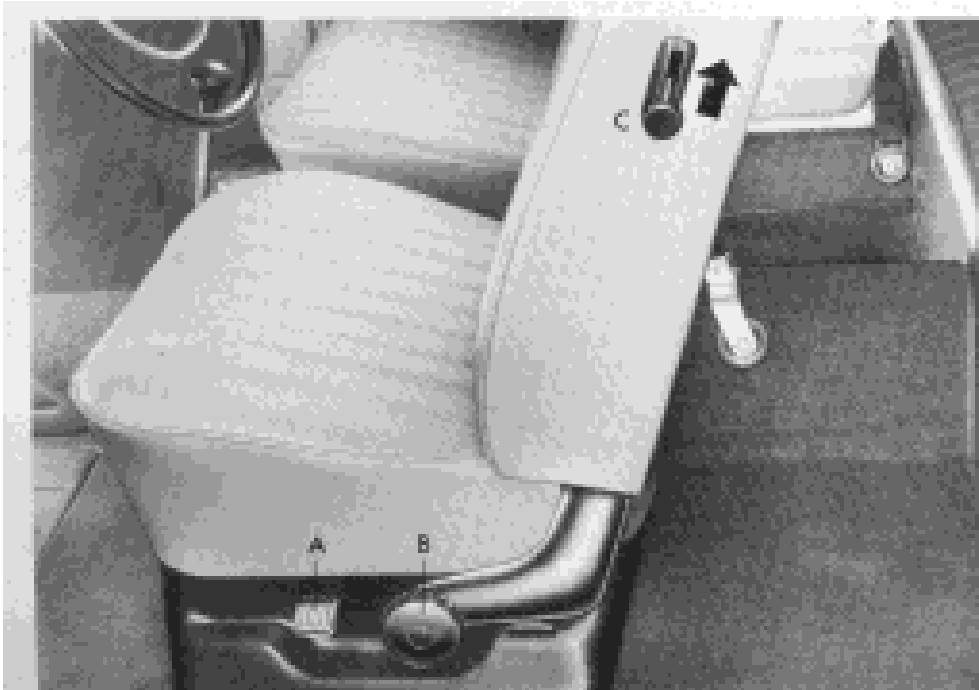
is required to open the doors and start the engine. Be sure the key number is recorded in the front of the manual. If you should lose the key, you can obtain a replacement from your Authorized Volkswagen Dealer.



## Sit down and make yourself comfortable

When driving, you must be comfortable. That is why the Volkswagen has separate front seats which are built so that you can alter seat position and backrest rake to suit your require-

ments. This is quite simple-just lift the lever-A-on the side of the seat and slide the seat forward or backward. After adjusting, be sure the seat is securely locked in position.



The backrest angle can also be set to eight different angles by turning the large knob-B-. Try them out until you find the angle which suits you best.

As a safety feature, the backrests of your Volkswagen are secured against tilting forward. To release the lock, just pull the knob-C-on the side of the backrest upward.

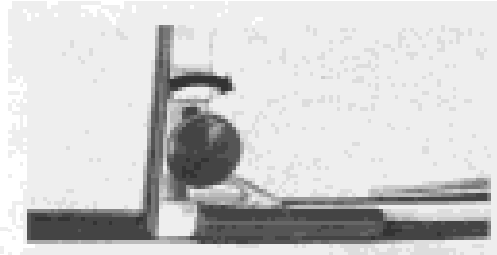
To take the seats out, press the leaf spring on the inner runner down and slide seat to the front.

## Before closing the door

The doors can be closed more easily if a window is opened slightly.

### 1 - Vent wing lock

To open the vent wing, turn knob of vent wing fastener until locking catch points in driving direction and push knob of vent wing fastener forward.



### 2 - Window crank

### 3 - inside door handle

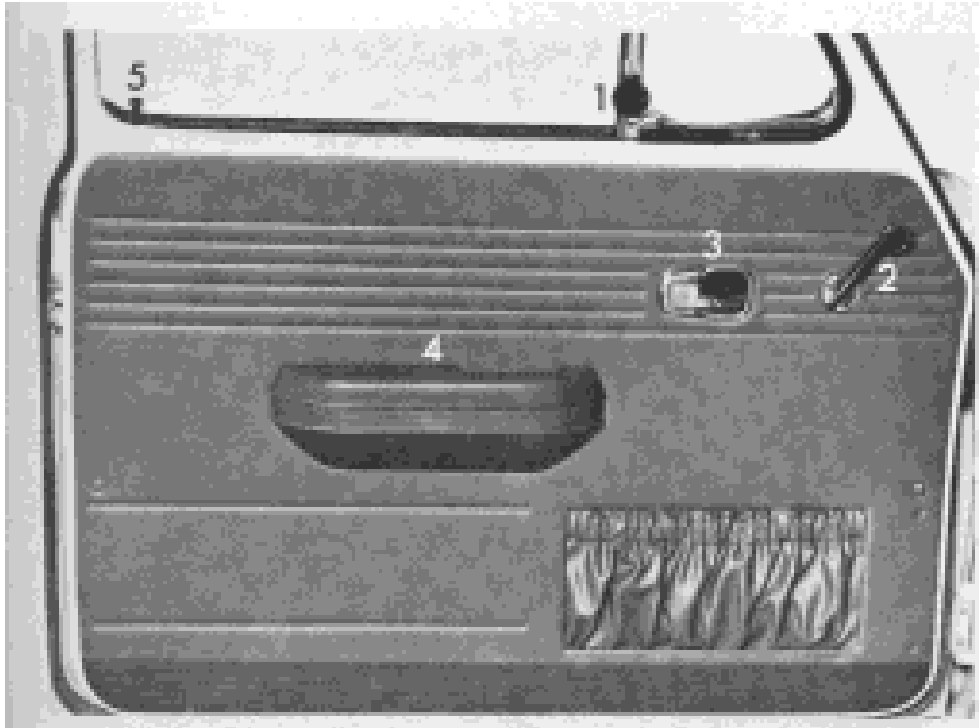
### 4 - Armrest and door closing grip

### 5- Locking knob

The doors cannot be opened from inside or outside unless the locking knobs are raised.

When leaving the vehicle, just press the locking knob down and pull the trigger in the outer handle as you close the door. The vehicle is then locked.

If the door closes by itself after the locking knob has been depressed, it will not lock because the locking knob will spring up automatically. This is an additional safety measure to prevent you from being locked out if the door should slam shut while the key is still inside the vehicle.



# In front of you - the instrument pane

Even if it is not your first Volkswagen, just have a quick look at the dash and try out the various knobs and levers with the ignition switched on:

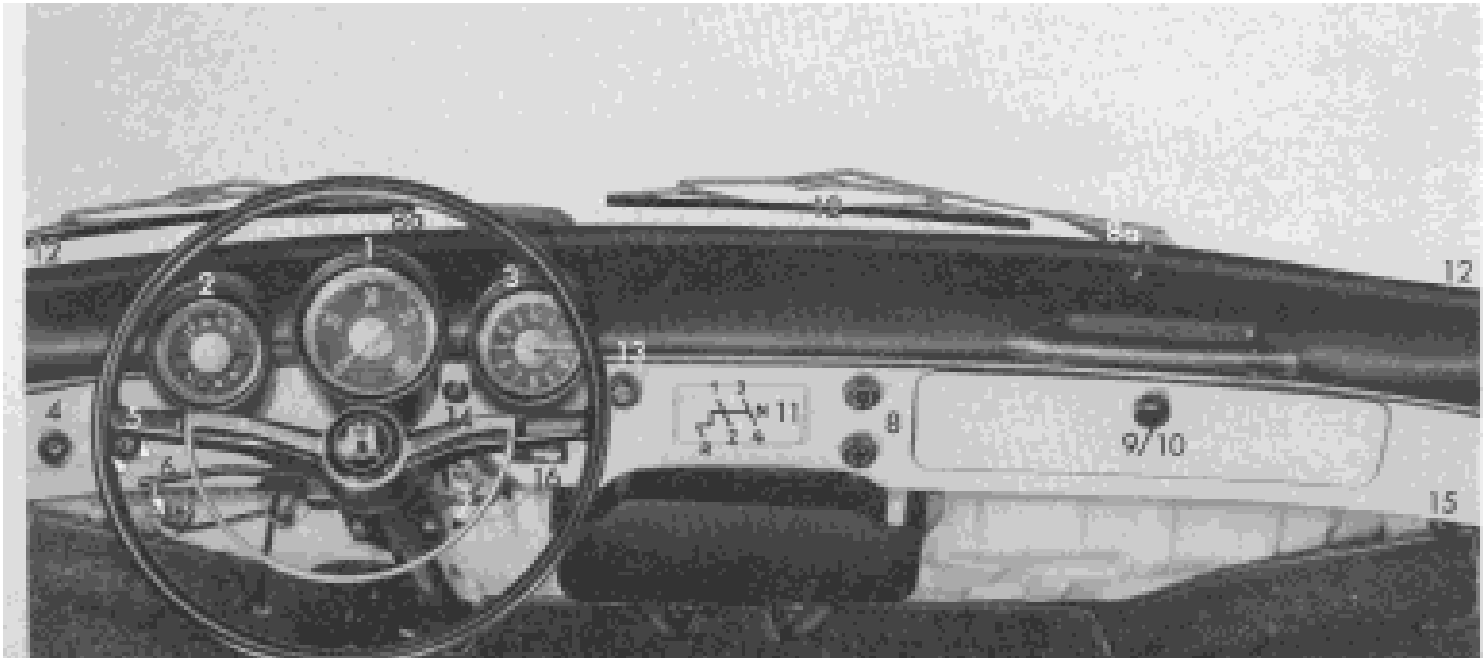
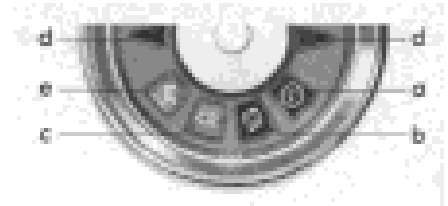
1 - Speedometer

2 - Fuel gauge

When the needle is on the "R" mark there is about one gallon of fuel left in the tank. It's time to refuel at the next opportunity.

The following warning lights are in the fuel gauge dial:

- |                         |                       |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| a - light green         | - oil pressure        |
| b - red                 | - generator           |
| c - blue                | - headlight high beam |
| d - light green arrows- | turn signals          |
| e - dark green          | - parking lights      |



### 3- Clock

The clock is electrically operated. The hands can be moved by pressing in and turning the knob in the dial center.

### 4 - Windshield wipers and windshield washer system

The two-speed wipers are switched on by turning the switch. They park automatically when switched off. When the knob in the center of the wiper switch is pressed, the washer sprays water on to the windshield.

### 5- Light switch

Pull the knob out to the first stop to switch on the parking, license plate, tail and instrument lights. A green warning light in the dial of the fuel gauge also lights up. When the knob is pulled out to the next stop, the headlights are switched on. At the same time, the green warning lamp for the parking lights is turned off.

The brightness of the instrument lights can be adjusted by turning the lighting switch knob.

### 6 - Turn signal switch

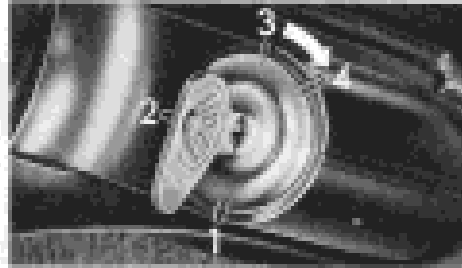
- Lever up — right turn signals
- Lever down — left turn signals

The turn signals are cancelled automatically upon completion of a turn.

Pull the lever toward steering wheel to **raise or lower headlight beams**. A blue warning light in the fuel gauge dial shows when the headlight high beams are switched on.

### 7 - Steering-ignition lock

- 1 — Ignition off - steering locked
- 2 — Ignition off - steering free
- 3 — Ignition on
- 4 — Starting



#### Important

Remove key from lock only when vehicle is stationary.

### 8- Fresh air ventilation

The volume of fresh air coming from the vents - 8a - at the lower edge of the windshield can be controlled with the upper knob. The lower knob regulates fresh air for the legroom.

- Turn knobs to the left —increasing air flow
- Turn knobs to the right - decreasing air flow

### 9 - Glove compartment

To open turn knob to the left.  
Inside the glove compartment is the release lever -10 - for the front hood.

### 10- Release lever for the front hood

To close the front hood, just press it down firmly until you hear it click.

### 11 - Ashtray

To remove ashtray, press leaf spring down and pull ashtray out.

### 12 - Defroster vents

### 13 - Emergency blinker switch

If the vehicle is disabled or parked under emergency conditions, pull the switch to make all four turn signals blink at once. A warning light in the switch knob blinks when the system is turned on.

### 14 - Warning light for dual circuit brakes

See explanation on page 17.

### 15 - Release for fuel tank flap

### 16 - Switch for rear window defogger

The rear window defogger is actuated by this switch after switching on the ignition. The green control lamp near the switch will light up when the system is in operation. After the rear window has been cleared, switch off the rear window defogger so as not to place an unnecessary drain on the battery.

# Above the windshield

## 1- Sun visors

You can lift the visors out of the center mounting end swing them toward the door windows to prevent glare from the sides.

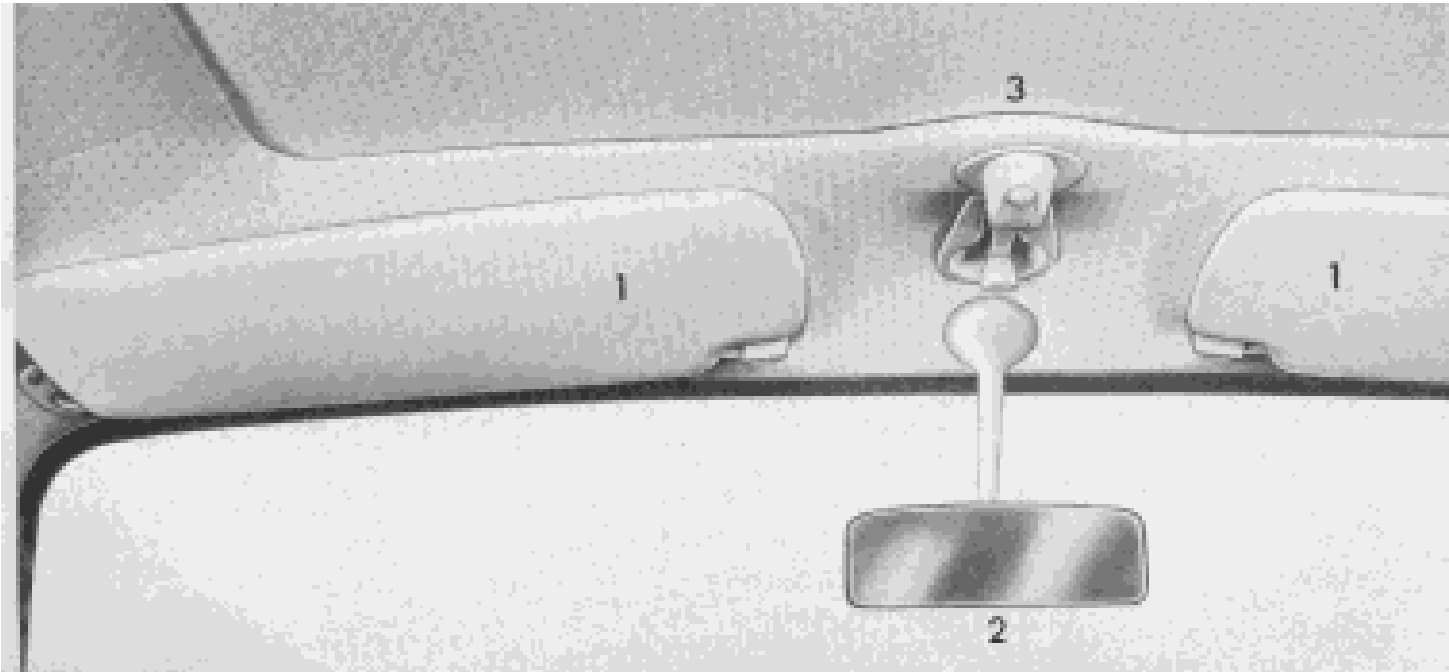
## 2 - Rear view mirrors

Outside and inside mirrors are adjustable so that they can be set to give clear vision to the

rear at all times. The outside mirror is hinged to fold flat upon contacting anything. The inside rear view mirror is rimmed with plastic for safety and designed to detach upon impact. It is equipped with an anti-glare provision and can be adjusted at the lower portion of the mirror.

## 3 - Sliding roof (optional equipment)

For safety reasons, the sliding roof crank should always be in the recess. When closing the roof, turn the crank as far as it will go then turn it back slightly until it can be folded into the recess.



# In the footwell and between front seats

## 1 - Clutch pedal

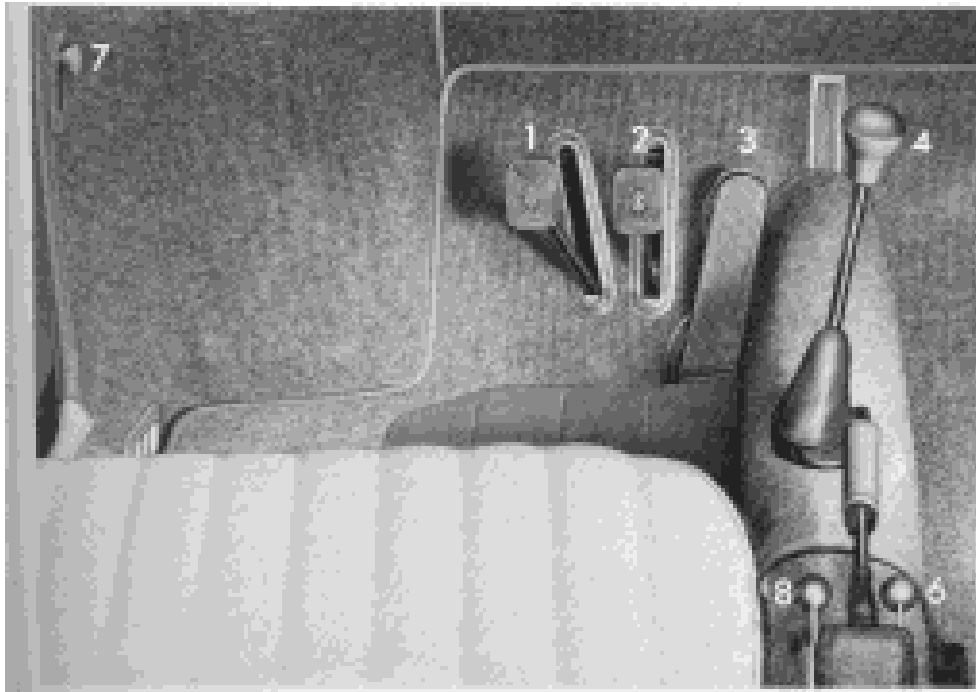
(Four speed synchromesh transmission only)

## 2- Brake pedal

Vehicles with four speed synchromesh transmission.

## 2a- Brake pedal

Vehicles with Automatic Transmission.



## 3 - Accelerator pedal

## 4 - Gearshift lever

Detailed instructions on the Automatic Transmission are given on page 21.

## 5- Handbrake

To release the handbrake, pull the lever up slightly first and press the locking knob.

## 6 - Heating control lever

Lever up - heat on

Lever down - heat off

The heating will be more effective if you open one of the vent wings slightly because the fan can then force the warm air into the body interior more easily.

## 7 - Heater control slides in front footwell

The flow of warm air into the front footwell can be controlled separately on each side.

Knob up — open

Knob down — closed

## 8 - Control lever for heating in rear footwell

This lever controls the flow of warm air into the rear footwell when the heat is on.

Lever up — rear seat heat on

Lever down — rear seat heat off

At low temperatures it is advisable to leave the rear outlets closed when first moving off. This increases the flow of air to the windshield to prevent steaming up when humidity is high. As soon as the windshield is clear, the rear footwell outlets should be opened so that the interior of the body heats up as quickly and uniformly as possible.

# Behind you

## 1 - Flexible window

## 2 - Interior lighting

The light has a built-in switch which is operated by pressing on the side of the lens. There are three positions:

Lamp in center position - light comes on when a door is opened

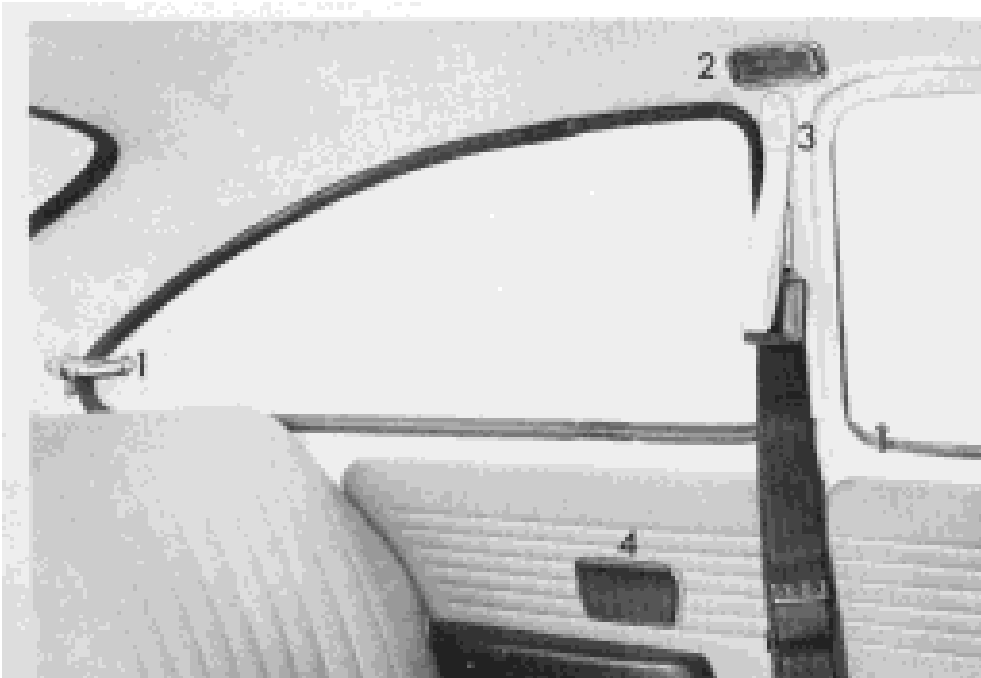
Lamp pressed in on right -light on

Lamp pressed in on left - light off

## 3 - Assist straps and coat hooks

## 4 - Ashtrays

They are removed by opening them and lifting them out of housing at the bottom first. To insert, hook the ashtray onto the leaf spring at the top first and then press in at the bottom.





# Seat belts

Each seat in your Volkswagen is equipped with a seat belt. Occupants of the vehicle should wear the belts at all times.

Shoulder belts should not be worn by persons less than approximately 55 inch in height.

## The front seats

Each front seat is equipped with a combination lap / shoulder belt that is completely adjustable to fit different sized people and to allow for seat and backrest adjustment. When not in use, the lap section of the belt retracts and the belt should be hung on the hook on the door post by means of the hole in the buckle tongue. This prevents the belt from lying about and getting dirty and permits easy entrance and exit for the rear seat passengers.

**Operation:** After sitting down and adjusting the seat and backrest positions, pull the belt buckle across in front of you to the center of the car. Insert the buckle tongue into the opening in the housing on the center tunnel and press it in lightly.

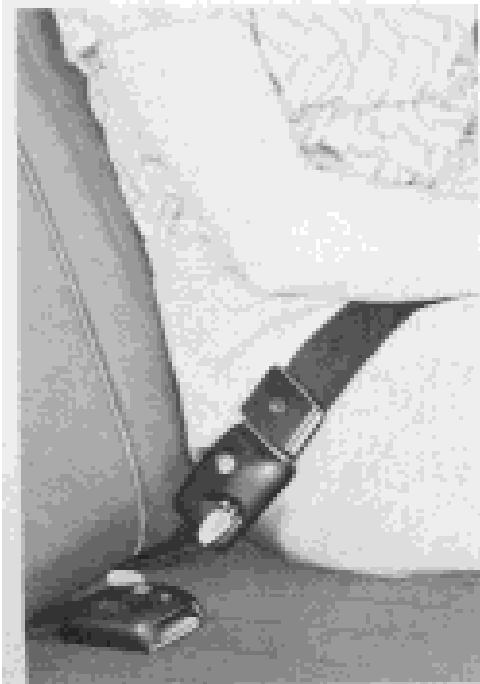
A click will be heard when the buckle locks. Be sure the belts is not twisted Pull lap belt through buckle until belt is completely unrolled from retractor and belt fits snugly across lap. Take up any slack by moving slide. Adjust shoulder belt by pulling belt until it fits snugly across chest. Take up any slack by moving slide. To lengthen either section of the belt, release buckle from housing, hold buckle at a right angle to belt and pull belt through buckle. No further adjustment should be necessary if the same person uses the seat belt each time.

To release the belt, pull the unlocking lever on the tunnel housing upward. Only a light pull and a slight movement of the lever is necessary.



## The rear seats

Each rear seat is equipped with an adjustable lap belt.



**Operation:** After sitting down and making yourself comfortable, pull the longer section of the belt across in front of you until the buckles meet, insert the tongue of the outboard buckle into the recess in the inboard buckle and press lightly together. A click will be heard when the buckles interlock. Be sure the belt is not twisted. Pull belt through the buckle until belt fits snugly across the pelvic area. Take up any slack by moving the slide. To lengthen the belt, release buckle, hold buckle on longer section at a right angle to belt and pull belt through buckle. No further adjustment should be necessary if the same person uses the seat belt each time.

To release the belt, pull the unlocking lever on the inboard buckle. Only a light pull and a small movement of the lever is necessary.

### Each seat

is also equipped with a third mounting point to facilitate subsequent installation of combination lap / shoulder belts.

**Do not strap in more than one person with each belt.**

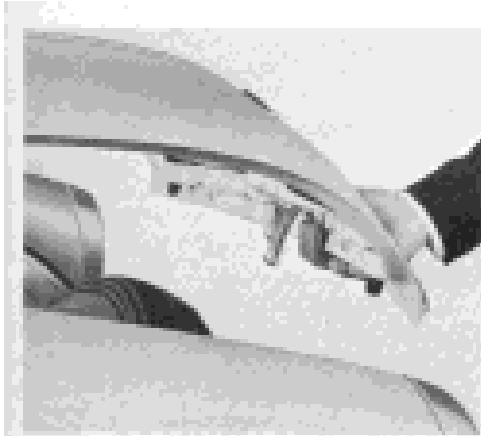
**Cleaning:** To keep belts clean, wash belts with mild detergent without removing from vehicle. Dry belts in the shade and do not allow lap belts to retract until completely dry. Do not bleach or dye the belts or use any other material to clean the belts because some of these agents can weaken the webbing.

Check buckles, retractors and finings periodically to make sure they function correctly and belts to ensure that the webbing has not been damaged.

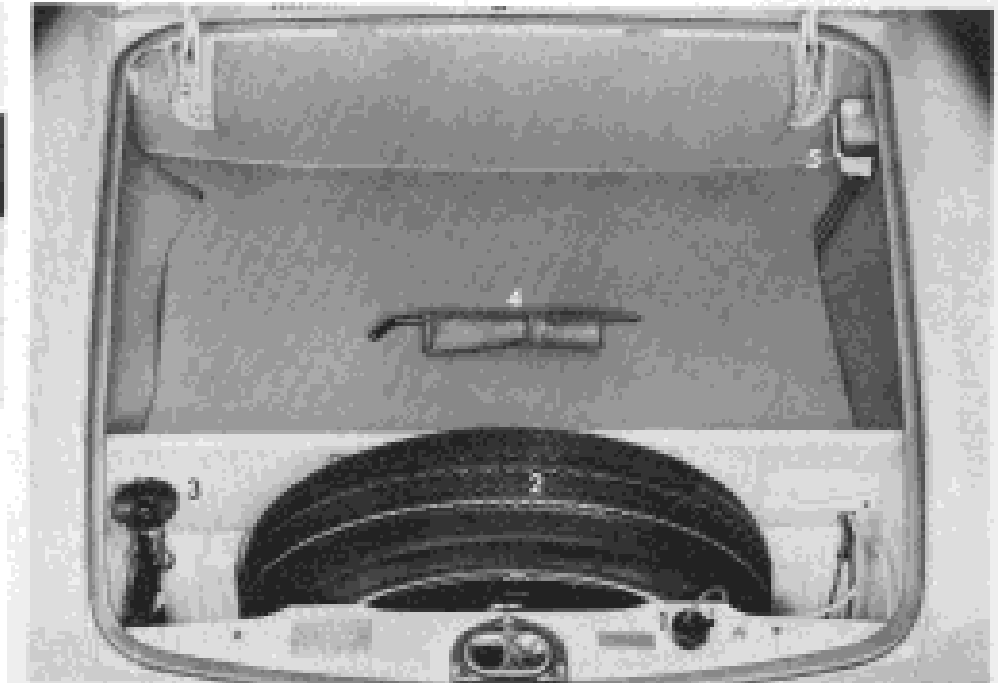
**Now let us have a look...**

## ... in the front luggage compartment..

Whether you are taking a lot of luggage with you or not, load the front luggage compartment first, using the heaviest pieces of luggage if possible. The correct distribution of load means the best road - holding, so take advantage of the possibilities offered by the Volkswagen with its two luggage compartments.



**The front hood** is opened by pulling the lever on the left inside the glove compartment. The hood springs up slightly under spring pressure and can be opened fully when the safety hook near the lock has been pressed upward. To close the hood press it down firmly until you hear a click. Never try to close the hood by pressing at the side, always press it in the center near the lock.



## 1- Container for windshield washer

As soon as the cap of the container is loosened, the air supply from the spare tire to the windshield washer container is interrupted by means of a valve in the filler cap. The washer container can be filled completely with washer fluid. It is advisable to add a cleaning solution to the water such as Volkswagen's Windshield Washer Anti-Freeze and Solvent as clear water alone is usually not adequate to ensure that the windshield is cleaned quickly and properly. If enough of this cleaning agent is put in, it also acts as a mild anti-freeze solution in the winter. Anti-freeze fluids are also commonly available. Follow the direction on the container for the amount to be used.

After filling container ensure that the filler cap is always screwed on tightly

## 2 - Spare wheel

It also serves as an air supply for the windshield washer container, therefore, the spare tire pressure should occasionally be checked and inflated to 43 p.s.i. The air flow from the spare tire to the washer container will automatically be interrupted by a valve in the filler cap if the tire pressure ever falls below 26 p.s.i. (Squareback Sedan 36 p.s.i.). As a result, the spare tire will always have the required pressure should it be needed. Whenever you use the spare tire, make sure that the tire pressure is according to specifications shown on page 49.

## 3 - Jack

Operation of the jack is described together with wheel changing on page 29.

## 4—Tools

In the tool roll you will find:

- 1 hub cap remover
- 1 pair of combination pliers
- 1 screwdriver with reversible blade for slotted and Phillips screws
- 1 open-end wrench 6 mm and 13 mm
- 1 socket wrench for wheel bolts and spark plugs
- 1 bar for socket wrench (also used to operate the jack)

## 5 - Brake fluid reservoir

The brake fluid level should always be above the protruding edge near the top of the container. If the brake fluid level ever falls below this edge, the complete brake system should be thoroughly examined by your Authorized VW Dealer.

**Brake fluid** is water absorbent and should, therefore, be **renewed every 2 years**. This should be performed by an Authorized VW Dealer.

## ... and under the rear hood of the Fastback Sedan

Here is another large luggage compartment which is opened with the lever in the lock pillar of the left door. The luggage compartment lamp only lights up when the vehicle lights are on and goes out when the hood is closed.

To get to the engine, roll back the floor covering and lift the lid. The lid can be held up by hooking the left handle into a bracket on the upper edge of the body opening or taken out completely.

