



**KICK
THE
HABIT.**

**TURN YOUR
ENGINE OFF
WHEN WAITING.**

**SAVE MONEY, FUEL +
PROTECT YOUR ENGINE**

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AIR POLLUTION IS THE TOP ENVIRONMENTAL RISK TO HUMAN HEALTH IN THE UK, AND THE FOURTH GREATEST THREAT TO PUBLIC HEALTH AFTER CANCER, HEART DISEASE + OBESITY.

**IT MAKES US MORE SUSCEPTIBLE
TO RESPIRATORY INFECTIONS AND
OTHER ILLNESSES.**

**ONE OF THE THINGS WE CAN ALL DO TO
LIMIT AIR POLLUTION IS TO TURN OFF OUR
VEHICLE ENGINES WHEN WAITING AND
ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO DO THE SAME.**

**THIS IS ESPECIALLY
IMPORTANT AND EFFECTIVE IN AREAS
SUCH AS BUSY ROADS, OUTSIDE SCHOOLS
AND HOSPITALS WHERE CHILDREN AND
PATIENTS ARE MOST VULNERABLE, AND
AT PUBLIC PLACES LIKE BUS STOPS AND
TRANSPORT INTERCHANGES.**

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**IF YOU'RE
WAITING FOR
MORE THAN
ONE MINUTE
TURN YOUR
ENGINE OFF.**

**YOU'LL SAVE FUEL
+ MONEY WHILST
HELPING IMPROVE
THE AIR QUALITY FOR
YOURSELF AND THOSE
AROUND YOU.**

**WHETHER
QUEUING IN
TRAFFIC OR
PARKED UP
TURNING
YOUR ENGINE
OFF IS THE
SIMPLEST WAY
TO REDUCE
ANY POLLUTION
YOUR VEHICLE
MAY BE
MAKING.**

**WHAT
YOU
CAN DO.**



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**TO PROTECT YOUR OWN HEALTH AND THAT OF
THE PEOPLE IN OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD PLEASE
SWITCH OFF YOUR ENGINE WHEN WAITING.**

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**IDLING IS RUNNING
YOUR VEHICLE
ENGINE WHEN YOU
DON'T NEED TO.**

**EXCESSIVE IDLING
LETS WATER
CONDENSE IN THE
VEHICLE'S EXHAUST
SYSTEM, WHICH CAN
LEAD TO CORROSION.**

**WITH MODERN
VEHICLES,
THE COST OF
SWITCHING OFF
THE ENGINE AND
STARTING UP
AGAIN AFTER A
MINUTE OR MORE
WILL BE LESS
THAN THE COST
OF LEAVING THE
ENGINE IDLING
AND PRODUCES
LESS POLLUTION.**

**IDLING WEARS
ENGINE
COMPONENTS
OUT QUICKER
THAN STARTING
+ STOPPING.**

**EXCESSIVE IDLING IS
A WASTE OF FUEL AND
MONEY AND CAUSES
POOR HEALTH.
STOPPING VEHICLE
IDLING WHENEVER WE
CAN IS AN EASY WAY
TO HELP IMPROVE
AIR QUALITY AND THE
HEALTH OF EVERYONE
AROUND US.**

**AN IDLING
ENGINE WILL
LEAVE FUEL
RESIDUES THAT
CAN DAMAGE
ENGINE
COMPONENTS.**

**IN COLD WEATHER
HEATERS WILL STILL
PROVIDE WARM AIR FOR
UP TO AN HOUR EVEN
WITH THE ENGINE OFF.**

**IDLING CAUSES SPARK PLUGS TO
BECOME DIRTIER MORE QUICKLY.
THIS CAN CAUSE AN INCREASE IN
FUEL CONSUMPTION BY 4 TO 5%.**

THE FACTS

**MODERN BATTERIES
DON'T NEED YOU TO
KEEP THE ENGINE ON
ALL THE TIME.**

**THE HIGHWAY
CODE STATES
THAT 'YOU MUST
NOT LEAVE A
PARKED VEHICLE
UNATTENDED
WITH THE ENGINE
RUNNING OR
LEAVE A VEHICLE
ENGINE RUNNING
UNNECESSARILY
WHILE THE
VEHICLE IS
STATIONARY ON
A PUBLIC ROAD'.**

**YOU COULD BE FINED UP TO £20 IF YOU
REFUSE TO TURN YOUR ENGINE OFF WHEN
ASKED BY A COUNCIL OFFICER.**

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