

Shop around for the best quality, price and service:

- ✓ Keep track of the kilometers per liter and go to the station where the best value is received.
- ✓ Do not buy more octane than you need. Check your owner's manual for octane recommendations and purchase the lowest octane gasoline your vehicle uses without your engine knocking. Once you know your vehicle's octane level, use higher octane only under stressful driving conditions such as pulling heavy trailers or trucks. Using too low an octane can cause engine damage. Using too high an octane for the driving conditions of your vehicle will not give you more power or better mileage.
- ✓ Find the brand of gasoline that works best for your vehicle. Keep track of your kilometers per liter. Although almost all gasoline comes from the same pipelines, the additive packages differ greatly between brands.
- ✓ Shop around for the best quality, price and service. You've spent thousands of pesos on your vehicle so it makes sense to frequent a reputable location that provides you with good service and quality products.

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Tips for Buying Gasoline

In today's automotive society, the purchase of gasoline has become



so commonplace, we usually take the accuracy of the pump and the quality of the product for granted. Yet, carelessness or improper care or deliberate fraud can occur which may cause inaccuracy or poor quality at the pump. Consumers can protect themselves by taking these simple precautions.



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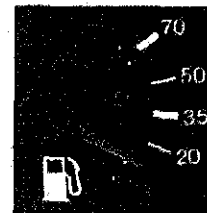
Compare the price on the pump with the roadside advertisement to

Make sure the pump's dial resets to all zeros before you start to pump gas. If the numbers jump at all, reset the meter.

Check to see that the price per liter remains the same throughout the pumping process. If the price per liter changes or the numbers appear to "skip", black out, or advance so rapidly that you can not read them, this could be an indication of fraud.



Check the vehicle gas gauge before and after filling up to ensure the new reading corresponds with the amount of gas purchased. Remember gasoline gauges, and tank sizes vary and the sizes are approximate because they are made to allow for product expansion.



When pumping the gasoline is done, check the price computation to make sure it is correct. Remember pump prices are given.

Make sure the meter stops running when you stop the pump.

When paying for gas, always go by the price on the pump even if the cashier's record is different.



Always get a receipt. The receipt is your proof of purchase should any problems arise after your purchase. Check to be sure you have been charged the correct amount on your receipt.