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Golf Performance Range

Specifications



Features and Specifications

Safety and Security	GTI	GTI Performance	R
Airbags			
Driver and front passenger airbags	S	S	S
Driver's knee airbag	S	S	S
Driver and front passenger side airbags	S	S	S
Curtain airbags, front and rear	S	S	S
Anti-theft			
Alarm system with interior monitoring and tilt sensor	S	S	S
Electronic engine immobiliser	S	S	S
Body			
Fully galvanised body with 12 year anti-corrosion perforation warranty	S	S	S
Door side impact protection	S	S	S
Rigid safety cell with front and rear crumple zones	S	S	S
Brakes			
Automatic flashing brake lights activated in emergency braking situation	S	S	S
Anti-lock Braking System (ABS)	S	S	S
Brake Assist	S	S	S
Electronic Brake-pressure Distribution (EBD)	S	S	S
Electro-mechanical parking brake	S	S	S
Auto hold function	S	S	S
Multi-collision brake	S	S	S
Red brake callipers	S	—	—
Red brake callipers, front with GTI logo	—	S	—
Black brake callipers, front with R logo	—	—	S
Child restraints			
Child seat top tether anchorage points, mounted on rear seat back (3)	S	S	S
ISOFIX child seat anchorage points, outer rear seats	S	S	S
Entry/warning reflectors in front and rear doors			
	S	S	S
First aid kit			
	A	A	A
Head restraints			
Front safety optimised head restraints, height adjustable	S	S	S
Rear head restraints height adjustable (3)	S	S	S

Safety and Security (continued)

Lighting

	GTI	GTI Performance	R
Daytime driving lights, LED integrated in headlight housing	S	S	S
Front fog lights, LED mounted in lower bumper	S	S	—
Fog lamp, rear	S	S	S
Rear registration plate light, LED	A	S	S
Rear tail lights, LED	—	S	S

Locking

Remote central locking with SAFELOCK deadlock mechanism	S	S	S
Keyless Access, keyless entry and starting system including starter button	S	S	S
2 stage unlocking (programmable)	S	S	S
Automatic locking after take-off (programmable)	S	S	S
One touch lock / unlock for driver	S	S	S
Child safety locks on rear doors	S	S	S
Fuel filler flap lock/unlock by remote, push to open	S	S	S

Seat belts

Front height adjustable with pre-tensioners and belt force limiters	S	S	S
Visual and acoustic warning for driver and front seat passenger seat belts not fastened	S	S	S
3 point seat belts for all passengers	S	S	S

Traction Control

Anti-Slip Regulation (ASR)	S	S	S
Electronic Differential Lock (EDL)	S	S	S
Electronic Stabilisation Program (ESP)	S	S	S
Extended Electronic Differential Lock (XDL)	S	S	S
Front differential lock	—	S	—
4MOTION all wheel drive	—	—	S

Exterior Equipment / Styling

Body enhancements

Body coloured bumper bars and door handles	S	S	S
Body coloured exterior rear view mirrors	S	S	—
Matte chrome finish exterior rear view mirrors	—	—	S
Body coloured lower front spoiler with black aerodynamic louvres	S	S	—
Body coloured lower front spoiler with chrome strip and gloss black inserts	—	—	S
Exposed chrome exhaust tail pipes, left and right	S	S	—
Exposed dual chrome exhaust tail pipes, left and right	—	—	S
Radiator grille with red/chrome strip and GTI nameplate	S	S	—
Radiator grille with chrome strip and R nameplate	—	—	S

Exterior Equipment / Styling (continued)	GTI	GTI Performance	R
Lower air intake and radiator grille with black honeycomb inserts	S	S	—
Lower air intake and radiator grille with gloss black inserts	—	—	S
Side sill panel extensions in black finish	S	S	—
Side sill panel extensions in body colour	—	—	S
Rear bumper with black sports diffuser and honeycomb insert	S	S	—
Rear bumper with gloss black sports diffuser	—	—	S
Rear roof spoiler with black aerodynamic extensions	S	S	S
Rear hatch protective trim in chrome	A	A	A
Paint			
Metallic/Pearl Effect paint	O	O	S
Protection			
Bonnet protector	A	A	A
Car cover	A	A	A
Loading sill protection, clear film or stainless-steel look guard	A	A	A
Slimline weather shields, front and rear	A	A	A
Door sill protection film, black with silver highlights	A	A	A
Mudflaps, front	A	A	—
Mudflaps, rear	A	A	—
Roof			
Roof bars	A	A	A
Bicycle, kayak, ski, surfboard and snowboard holders	A	A	A
Luggage box range – 340, 460 litre volumes	A	A	A
Tinted glass			
Darkened rear tail light clusters	S	S	S
Dark tinted rear side window and rear window glass, 65% light absorbing	—	S	S
Heat insulating tinted glass	S	S	S
Tow bar			
Tow bar with 7-pin flat trailer connector and removable tongue	A	A	—
Wheels			
Alloy wheels (Austin) 18x7½" with 225/40 R18 tyres	S	—	—
Alloy wheels (Santiago) 19x7½" with 225/35 R19 tyres	—	S	—
Alloy wheels (Cadiz) 19x8" with 235/35 R19 tyres	—	—	S
Alloy wheels (various designs) 18" and 19" Please consult your Volkswagen Dealer for correct wheel and tyre fitment by model	A	A	—
Anti-theft wheel bolts	S	S	S
Valve caps with Volkswagen emblem	A	A	A
Low tyre pressure indicator	S	S	S
Weight and space saving spare wheel	S	S	S

Comfort and Convenience

Armrests

Front centre armrest, adjustable with storage box and rear air outlets (2)

Rear seat centre armrest with cup holders (2) and load through provision

Air conditioning

Air conditioning, dual zone automatic climate control

Air quality and humidity sensor with automatic air recirculation

Dust and pollen filter

Cruise control

Cruise control

Speed limiter (programmable)

Cup holders

Front (2)

Rear (2)

Bottle holders in front door pockets

Driver assistance systems

Adaptive chassis control

Driver Fatigue Detection system

Driving profile selection

ECO tip function, fuel efficiency advice

Parking distance sensors, front and rear with acoustic warning and audio volume level reduction when sensor warning is activated

Optical Parking System (OPS) in radio/navigation display

Automatic kerb function when reversing, passenger's side exterior mirror

Rear View Camera (RVC) with static guidance lines

Floor mats

Front and rear, carpet

Front and rear, carpet with Golf badging and white trim highlight

Front and rear, rubber with Golf embossing

Grab handles

Soft fold away grab handles, front and rear

Headlights

Coming / leaving home function

Combined headlight and fog light switch

Bi-Xenon headlights for high and low beam with dynamic and static cornering lights, integrated LED daytime driving lights, automatic self-levelling, headlight cleaning system and low washer fluid warning

Low light sensor with automatic headlight function

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GTI Performance

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Comfort and Convenience (continued)

In car entertainment and technology

Discover Media audio and satellite navigation system
6.5" colour touch screen display with smartphone style HMI and proximity sensor, AM/FM radio, CD player and 2 x SD card slot slots for music and navigation data, 2D and 3D (bird's eye) map views, compatible with MP3, WMA and AAC music files, jpeg image viewer, car menu with convenience and service settings, security coded

App-Connect USB interface for Apple CarPlay®, Android Auto™ and MirrorLink® in front centre console

Audio, telephone, cruise control and Multi-Function Display controls mounted on steering wheel

Auxiliary input audio socket in front centre console

Bluetooth® phone connectivity with contacts display, operation via touch screen audio unit or Multi-Function Display and Bluetooth® audio streaming

Speakers, front and rear (8)

Voice operation, telephone and navigation system functions can be operated using voice commands

USB charge cables, adaptor cables supporting connection to Apple Lightning®, Apple® 30 pin and mini USB

Instrumentation

Speedometer & tachometer, electronic odometer and tripmeter, service interval display, fuel and coolant gauges, low fuel warning light, brake pad wear indicator and white adjustable illumination

Comfort indicator function (1 x touch = 3 x flash)

Interior highlights

Aluminium finish clutch, accelerator and brake pedals

Black headlining and pillar trim

Brushed chrome trim on instrument cluster, vent surrounds and gearshift lever surround

Chrome highlight trim on headlight switch and exterior mirror switch

Chrome highlight trim on power window switches

Decorative inlays, "checkered black" to instrument surround, centre console, passenger's side dashboard and doors

Decorative inlays, "piano black" to instrument surround and centre console, "carbon touch" to passenger's side dashboard and doors

Door sill scuff plates, front in aluminium finish with illumination

Gearshift knob with leather and aluminium finish

Manual gearshift knob with traditional golf ball design

Interior lighting

With time delay

Front LED reading lights (2) and rear passenger LED reading lights (2)

LED ambient lighting in driver and front passenger foot well, front door decorative inlays, door openers and handles

Luggage compartment

Load restraining hooks

Luggage compartment light

Luggage compartment protection: moulded foam liner, plastic tray, reversible velour/rubber mat with loading sill protective flap

Luggage cover, removable and storable

Luggage cover, removable

Luggage net

Shopping bag hooks

Storage box in side lining

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GTI Performance

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Comfort and Convenience (continued)

Variable luggage compartment floor level

12 volt socket

Mirrors

Automatic dimming interior rear-view mirror

Additional interior rear-view mirror

Electrically heated and adjustable exterior mirrors

Exterior mirrors with integrated LED turn indicators

Power steering

Electro-mechanical, vehicle speed and steering input sensitive

Progressive steering

Seating

Sports seats with additional side bolstering

Height adjustment for front seats

Individually heated front seats

Lumbar adjustment for front seats

Split folding rear seat backrest (40/60)

Rear seat centre armrest with cup holders (2) and load through provision

Steering wheel

3 spoke leather covered flat bottomed sports steering wheel with brushed aluminium inserts and decorative stitching

Audio, telephone, cruise control and Multi-Function Display controls

Gearshift paddles (with DSG)

Height and reach adjustable steering wheel

Storage

Centre console storage compartment under armrest

Glove compartment with cooling, illuminated and lockable

Coin tray and 12 volt socket in console

Compartment in roof console

Drawers under front seats

Driver's side dashboard compartment with lid

Front door pockets with bottle holders

Front seat backrest storage pockets

Waste container in white, suits cup holder

Sunroof

Panoramic glass sunroof

Electrically slide and tilt adjustable

Integrated wind deflector and sunblind

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Comfort and Convenience (continued)	GTI	GTI Performance	R
Transmission			
Gearshift recommendation indicator	S	S	S
6 speed manual transmission	S	—	S
6 speed Direct Shift Gearbox (DSG) with sport mode and Tiptronic function	O	S	O
Trip Computer			
Multi-Function Display (MFD Premium) – colour display and screen transitions with animations, lap timer, trip time, trip length, average and current speed, average and current fuel consumption, distance till empty and ambient temperature, digital clock, vehicle status, audio, telephone and navigation menus	S	S	S
Upholstery			
'Clark' sports cloth seats with red decorative stitching	S	—	—
'Clark' sports cloth and Alcantara® combination seats with red decorative stitching	—	S	—
Vienna leather appointed seat upholstery with individually heated front seats and decorative stitching Leather appointed seats have a combination of genuine and artificial leather, but are not wholly leather.	O	O	S
Vanity mirrors			
Driver's and passenger's side vanity mirrors in sun visor with ticket holder	S	S	S
Illuminated on driver's and passenger's side	S	S	S
Windows			
Power front /rear, with roll-back function and one-touch up-down	S	S	S
Remote operated convenience close and open feature (programmable)	S	S	S
Sunblind for rear window	A	A	A
Sunblind for rear side windows	A	A	A
Wipers			
2 speed aero wipers with wash/wipe	S	S	S
Rain sensor	S	S	S
Rear window with wash/wipe and intermittent wipe	S	S	S
12V socket			
Centre console	S	S	S
Luggage compartment	S	S	S

Optional Packages	GTI	GTI Performance	R
Driver assistance package			
Adaptive Cruise Control (ACC) Blind Spot Monitor with Rear Traffic Alert Front Assist with City Emergency Brake (City EB) function Park Assist, parking bay and parallel parking assistance <small>except Golf R Park Assist is not available for the Golf R</small> Proactive occupant protection system	0	0	0

Technical Specifications

	GTI		GTI Performance	R	
Engine	2.0 litre TSI BlueMotion Technology		2.0 litre TSI BlueMotion Technology	2.0 litre TSI BlueMotion Technology	
Type	4 cylinder inline turbocharged direct injection petrol with engine Start/Stop system*		4 cylinder inline turbocharged direct injection petrol with engine Start/Stop system*	4 cylinder inline turbocharged direct injection petrol with engine Start/Stop system*	
Installation	Front transverse		Front transverse	Front transverse	
Cubic capacity, litres/cc	1984		1984	1984	
Bore/stroke, mm	82.5/92.8		82.5/92.8	82.5/92.8	
Max power, kW @ rpm	162 @ 4500-6200		169 @ 4700-6200	206 @ 5100-6500	
Max torque, Nm @ rpm	350 @ 1500-4400		350 @ 1500-4600	380 @ 1800-5100	
Compression ratio	9.6:1		9.6:1	9.3:1	
Ignition system	Electronic		Electronic	Electronic	
Exhaust emission control	Exhaust gas recirculation, three way catalytic converter and lambda probes		Exhaust gas recirculation, three way catalytic converter and lambda probes	Exhaust gas recirculation, three way catalytic converter and lambda probes	
Fuel type (recommended)	Premium unleaded 98 RON minimum		Premium unleaded 98 RON minimum	Premium unleaded 98 RON minimum	
Transmission	6 speed manual	6 speed DSG	6 speed DSG	6 speed manual	6 speed DSG
Driven wheels	Front wheel drive		Front wheel drive	4MOTION all wheel drive	
Performance#					
0 – 100 km/h	6.5	6.5	6.4	5.2	5.0
Fuel consumption **					
Combined, L/100 km	6.2	6.6	6.6	7.3	7.1
Urban, L/100km	7.7	8.3	8.3	9.6	9.0
Extra Urban, L/100 km	5.3	5.5	5.5	6.1	6.1
Fuel tank capacity, litres	50	50	50	55	55

* The Start/Stop system is designed to reduce fuel consumption. It achieves this by automatically switching off the engine while the vehicle is stationary and then starting it again automatically when the driver wants to drive off. There are certain operating conditions where the Start/Stop system is deactivated (e.g. during engine warm-up), please refer to the owner's manual for full operating information.

Please note figures are sourced from overseas data where equipment levels by model variant may vary.

** Fuel consumption figures according to Australian Design Rule (ADR) 81/02.

The driving style, road and traffic conditions, environmental influences, the fitment of accessories and vehicle condition can in practice lead to consumption figures which may differ from those calculated with these standards.

Technical Specifications

	GTI		GTI Performance	R	
Running gear	2.0 litre TSI BlueMotion Technology		2.0 litre TSI BlueMotion Technology	2.0 litre TSI BlueMotion Technology	
Suspension	Independent, MacPherson struts with lower A-arms. Anti-roll bar. Lowered sports suspension with adaptive chassis control				
Front axle	Independent, four-link with coil springs. Anti-roll bar. Lowered sports suspension with adaptive chassis control				
Rear axle	Independent, four-link with coil springs. Anti-roll bar. Lowered sports suspension with adaptive chassis control				
Steering	Electro-mechanical power assisted rack & pinion steering. Progressive steering				
Brake systems	Anti-lock Braking System (ABS) with Electronic Brake-pressure Distribution (EBD), Brake Assist and Electronic Stabilisation Program (ESP). Brake energy recuperation				
Brakes					
Front	Ventilated discs		Ventilated discs	Ventilated discs	
Rear	Discs		Ventilated discs	Ventilated discs	
Turning circle, m	10.9		10.9	10.9	
Weights	6 speed manual	6 speed DSG	6 speed DSG	6 speed manual	6 speed DSG
Tare Mass Kg's	1313	1324	1364	1416	1435
Towing Capacity, kg					
Braked †	1400	1400	1400	—	—
Unbraked	620	620	620	—	—
Tow bar Load Limit kg	80	80	80	—	—
Exterior Dimensions					
Overall length mm	4268		4268	4264	
Width mm	1799		1799	1799	
Height mm	1466		1466	1442	
Wheelbase mm	2626		2626	2620	
Track mm					
Front	1538		1534	1536	
Rear	1516		1513	1514	
Luggage Area Dimensions#					
Luggage area volume, L					
Rear seat upright	380		380	343	
Rear seat folded	1270		1270	1233	
Luggage area floor length, mm					
Rear seat upright	839		839	819	
Rear seat folded	1558		1558	1558	
Luggage area width, mm					
At narrowest point	1003		1003	1003	
Luggage load height, mm					
To luggage cover	587		587	587	
To roof lining	900		900	900	

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† Please note, Volkswagen Group Australia does not endorse or will not be held liable for any claim, loss or damage arising from the use or fitment of electronic trailer brakes.

Colour & Upholstery Combinations

Seat Upholstery	Exterior Colours							
	Pure White	Tornado Red	Reflex Silver M	Night Blue M	Lapiz Blue M	Carbon Steel M	Limestone Grey M	Deep Black PE
GTI								
Black/Red 'Clark' sports cloth seat upholstery	S	S	S	S	—	S	—	S
Black Vienna leather appointed seat upholstery*	O	O	O	O	—	O	—	O
GTI Performance								
Black/Red 'Clark' sports cloth/Alcantara® seat upholstery	S	S	S	S	—	S	—	S
Black Vienna leather appointed seat upholstery*	O	O	O	O	—	O	—	O
R								
Black Vienna leather appointed seat upholstery	O	O	O	—	O	—	O	O

Please note: Metallic (M) and Pearl Effect (PE) paint are optional at additional cost, except Golf R.

* Leather appointed seats have a combination of genuine and artificial leather, but are not wholly leather.

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An all-wheel drive system that provides the best possible traction at all road speeds, in all weather and road conditions. An electronically controlled multi-plate clutch directs torque to the axle with the best traction.

When operating under a relatively low load or when coasting, power is primarily distributed to the front axle, thus saving fuel. However, the rear axle can be variably engaged in fractions of a second whenever necessary, even before any wheel starts to slip and therefore reducing the potential for a loss of traction. The wheels of the vehicle are prevented from spinning even when driving off and accelerating.

Activation of the multi-plate clutch is based primarily on the engine torque demanded by the driver. In parallel, a system within the all-wheel drive control unit evaluates such parameters as wheel speeds and steering angle.

Adaptive Chassis Control

The electrically controlled dampers of adaptive chassis control constantly adjust to the road conditions, the driving situation and driver's requirements. Selected via and integrated within the functionality of the Driving Profile Selection, the driver can choose between three damper settings – Normal, Comfort and Sport (Race – Golf R).

Starting from the normal setting, the driver can change the basic character of the car towards sporty or more comfort-oriented driving. In each setting, the adaptive chassis control adjusts the damping to the particular driving situation (up to one thousand times per second) which means it offers an optimum level of driving comfort and enjoyment at all times. Particularly on windy roads and poor surfaces, using adaptive chassis control offers sporty and yet comfortable driving.

Adaptive Cruise Control (ACC)*

Adaptive Cruise Control (ACC) is an extension of the conventional cruise control system with advanced capabilities based on a radar sensor. When ACC is activated, the vehicle automatically brakes and accelerates to a speed and distance set by the driver.

If the Golf approaches a slower vehicle, the ACC brakes the car to the same speed and maintains the pre-selected distance. Even when a vehicle pulls into the same lane in front of you or slows, your vehicle is automatically decelerated to the pre-selected distance. If the vehicle ahead moves out of your lane, the Golf then accelerates up to the preset desired speed.

Deceleration of the vehicle may take place via intervention in the engine management system. If deceleration via engine torque is not sufficient, brake intervention takes place, braking the vehicle to a standstill if the traffic situation necessitates in vehicles equipped with a DSG transmission. ACC can be reactivated automatically by depressing the accelerator pedal. In vehicles fitted with a manual transmission, the system is automatically deactivated at speeds below 30 km/h and the driver is prompted to take charge by visual and acoustic signals.

The dynamics of the ACC system can be individually varied by selecting one of the driving programs from the driver profile selector.

Adaptive Cruise Control (ACC) cannot replace the driver's attentiveness. The driver is still legally responsible for the vehicle and must monitor the speed and distance in relation to other vehicles. The ACC system should not be used on winding roads or in adverse weather conditions such as heavy rain.

Anti-lock Braking System (ABS)

When braking, wheel speed sensors measure the road wheel speed and should one or more wheels start to lock the ABS system reduces brake pressure to that wheel. This prevents the wheels from locking during heavy or emergency braking, enabling the vehicle to remain steerable.

Anti-Slip Regulation (ASR)

ASR is a traction control system that prevents the wheels from spinning under acceleration by reducing engine torque.

Auto Hold function

As soon as the vehicle comes to a complete stop, the ABS hydraulic unit stores the vehicle's final braking pressure. So even when you take your foot off the brake pedal, all four wheels' brakes remain applied, providing increased comfort in stationary traffic. This function is released automatically when you drive off again.

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Blind Spot Monitor with Rear Traffic Alert*

The Blind Spot Monitor with Rear Traffic Alert system supports the driver in assessing and avoiding dangerous situations, especially in critical situations, e.g. city and heavy traffic. The Blind Spot Monitor detects cars and motorcycles in the driver's blind spot and highlights these vehicles via a LED indicator in the door mirror. Rear Traffic Alert warns the driver of approaching traffic at the rear of the car when reversing by displaying a warning in the Optical Parking System (OPS).

Blind Spot Monitor with Rear Traffic Alert cannot replace the driver's attentiveness. The driver is still legally responsible for the vehicle and must monitor the speed and distance in relation to other vehicles.

Brake Assist

During emergency braking, Brake Assist aids the driver by increasing the brake pressure automatically to a level exceeding the locking limit. The ABS is thus quickly brought into the operating range, which enables maximum vehicle deceleration to be achieved.

Direct Shift Gearbox (DSG)*

DSG is a manual gearbox in which the gearshifts are controlled electronically. What makes the DSG unique is that it has 2 separate gear sets operated by 2 clutches. The benefit of 2 gear sets and 2 clutches is that one gear set and clutch is engaged driving the vehicle with the second disengaged clutch having already pre-selected the next gear awaiting for power to be transferred. As the next gear has already been pre-selected prior to power being applied, the gear change only takes 3-4 100ths of a second. There is virtually no interruption to power, traction or acceleration. The DSG also offers Tiptronic gear selection and sports mode.

Driving Profile Selection

Driving profile selection provides the driver with a wide-ranging choice of settings that can be made to the vehicle according to the driver's preferences. The driver has the option of choosing between the following driving profiles: Normal, Sport (Race – Golf R), Eco, Comfort and Individual. The Normal profile offers a comfortable but dynamic driving style. Sport provides faster response of the accelerator pedal, sportier damping and steering, while the (optional) DSG switches to Sport mode. Alternatively, the Golf R features Race mode, damping is increased (further reducing movements of the body structure), and engine response and shift points of the (optional) DSG are configured to be even more dynamic. Eco mode has been designed

to enhance fuel efficiency by including coasting function (with DSG) and by adapting engine performance, earlier gearshift points and consumption-optimised control of the air conditioning system. Comfort mode offers a more relaxed and comfortable driving experience, primarily through the softer suspension setting of the adaptive chassis control. The Individual setting allows the driver to separately set various parameters including steering, engine, Adaptive Cruise Control (ACC) and air conditioning.

Fatigue Detection

The driver Fatigue Detection system automatically analyses the driving characteristics and if they indicate possible fatigue, recommends that the driver takes a break. The system continually evaluates steering wheel movements along with other signals in the vehicle on motorways and others roads at speeds in excess of 65 km/h, and calculates a fatigue estimate. If fatigue is detected, the driver is warned by information in the Multi-function Display and an acoustic signal. The warning is repeated after 15 minutes if the driver has not taken a break.

Fatigue Detection cannot replace the driver's attentiveness. The driver is still legally responsible for the vehicle and therefore determining whether or not they are fit to drive. A driving time of 15 minutes is required in order to assess the driver correctly. The functionality of the system is restricted given a sporty driving style, winding roads and poor road surfaces.

Electronic Brake-pressure Distribution (EBD)

Electronic, more sophisticated means of regulating the ratio of front/rear brake pressure. Settings are varied according to driving and load conditions to ensure each wheel is braked to the optimum extent.

Electronic Differential Lock (EDL)

EDL improves driving and steering characteristics when accelerating on road surfaces where each wheel has a different degree of traction. The system operates automatically and is combined with the ABS system. Using the ABS wheel sensors, EDL monitors the speed of the individual driving wheels. When a difference in driving wheel speed is detected (i.e. when one wheel starts to spin due to differences in road surfaces, e.g. due to water or dirt) the system brakes the spinning wheel, transferring engine power to the wheel with the best traction.

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Electronic Stabilisation Program (ESP)

ABS and ASR traction control systems are integrated into the Electronic Stabilisation Program (ESP). In short, ESP helps ensure that the vehicle goes where you steer it even in extreme driving conditions. The ESP system constantly compares the actual movement of the vehicle with pre-determined values and should a situation arise where the vehicle starts to skid, ESP will apply the brakes to individual wheels and automatically adjust the engine's power output to correct the problem. ESP prevents the vehicle from losing control when trying to avoid an accident, for example. It also reduces the effects of understeer or oversteer.

Extended Electronic Differential Lock (XDL)

XDL is an extension of the Electronic Differential Lock (EDL) function. When cornering, XDL responds to the load relief at the driven wheel/s on the inside of a corner. The ESP hydraulics are used for the XDL to apply pressure to the wheel on the inside of the corner in order to prevent wheel spin. This improves traction and reduces the tendency to understeer. As a direct result of the one-sided and precise braking pressure, cornering is sportier and more accurate.

Front Assist with City Emergency Brake (City EB) function*

The Front Assist ambient traffic monitoring system uses a radar sensor to detect critical distance situations and thus help to shorten the braking distance, reducing the risk of a rear-end collision.

The traffic ahead is monitored constantly by the radar at the front. If a vehicle is detected ahead of you in the lane, the distance and the speed relative to it are calculated. If the gap is closing too fast, Front Assist initially warns the driver by means of an audible as well as a visual signal. At the same time, the brake pads are brought into contact with the brake discs and the sensitivity of the Brake Assist is increased. This primes the braking system for a possible emergency stop. Furthermore, an automatic jolt of the brakes warns the driver of the danger. If the driver also fails to react to the warning jolt, Front Assist brakes automatically, helping to avoid a collision or reduce the severity of the accident.

The City Emergency Brake (City EB) function is a radar based emergency braking system designed to help a driver avoid a low-speed crash or to reduce its severity. At vehicle speeds below 30km/h, City EB monitors the

area ahead of the car for vehicles which might present a threat of collision. If a collision is likely, City Emergency Braking first pre-charges the brakes and makes the emergency Brake Assist system more sensitive: if the driver should notice the risk, the car is ready to respond more quickly to their braking action. However, if the driver still takes no action and a collision becomes imminent, City Emergency Braking independently applies the brakes very hard. If the driver intervenes to try to avoid the accident, either by accelerating hard or by steering, City EB will deactivate and allow the driver to complete the avoidance manoeuvre.

Front Assist with City Emergency Brake (City EB) cannot replace the driver's attentiveness. The driver is still legally responsible for the vehicle and must monitor the speed and distance in relation to other vehicles.

Front Differential Lock[^]

The front differential lock is an electronically controlled mechanical differential lock. The drive torque is distributed via an electronically operated clutch in accordance with the driving situation. The differential lock actively counteracts understeer when cornering by increasing the drive force to the wheel on the outside of the bend. This provides more agility and precision on curves, and a more linear driving response. The front differential lock also provides maximum traction for front-wheel drive vehicles.

Both the XDL and front differential lock increase agility, traction and cornering ability. XDL exerts its effect during medium lateral acceleration, whilst the front differential lock enhances this effect right up to the dynamic driving limit range.

Multi-collision brake

The multi-collision brake has been designed to provide effective assistance for the driver in the moments after an accident. Multi-collision brake triggers automatic controlled braking once an initial collision has been detected so as to reduce the intensity of further accidents after a collision and can help prevent follow-on collisions with oncoming traffic.

The triggering of the multi-collision brake is based on a collision being detected by the airbag sensors. The ESP control unit limits the deceleration of the vehicle by the multi-collision brake to a defined value and vehicle speed. The vehicle can still be controlled by the driver, even when automatic braking is taking place. The driver can interrupt the multi-collision braking at any time by accelerating or braking even more strongly.

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Park Assist*

The second generation Park Assist system actively helps the driver when reversing into 90° parking bays, as well as reversing into and driving out of parallel parking spaces. The system works by using sensors mounted either side of the front and rear bumpers together with parking distance sensors front and rear. To park, the driver simply presses the Park Assist button to select the type of parking manoeuvre and uses the appropriate indicator as the car slowly passes the potential parking space. Sensors scan the size of the parking space as the car is driven past and the driver is alerted if the parking space is big enough. If there is sufficient space, the driver stops the car, selects reverse and lets go of the steering wheel.

Park Assist will alert the driver of the intended path and subsequently the appearance of obstacles in the Multi-Function Display, within the driver's field of vision. Park Assist then actively supports the driver by taking over the steering control and parks the vehicle in the available space using the ideal course, if necessary with several moves. The driver can however take over the control of the steering at any time and end the automatic parking procedure.

Park Assist cannot replace the driver's attentiveness. The driver is still legally responsible for the vehicle. If the driver notices a risk that pedestrians, other vehicles or objects could be damaged or if they are uncertain of the risk, they will need to react accordingly and stop the vehicle, ending the function.

Proactive occupant protection system*

The proactive occupant protection system incorporates active and passive safety elements. When the system detects a potential accident situation, the occupants and the vehicle are prepared for a possible accident.

Automatic tensioning of the seat belts secures the driver and front passenger in their seats to attain the best possible protective potential of the airbag and belt system. In case of high transverse dynamics the side windows (and optional panoramic sunroof) are also closed, leaving just a small air gap. Closing of the windows offers optimal support to the head and side airbags which results in the best possible protection.



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