

# Winter Checklist ❄️

Storing classic cars over the winter:  
Our tips and tricks for the winter season.

Before heading out in the winter months, warm up the vehicle to bring fluids to optimal operating temperatures, to evaporate condensation and to loosen dirt.

## **Bodywork and car finish**

- Exterior cleaning of the vehicle (check seams, joints, wheel arches & trim)
- Hard wax sealing of paint damage, paint chips and stone chips
- Treatment of rubber and door seals
- Examination of the underbody for rust spots, treat if necessary
- Use of a cotton car cover (fixed)

## **Wheels and chassis**

- Increase tire pressure to 3 - 4 bar
- Storage of the vehicle on trestles
- Lubricating the vehicle joints with a grease gun
- Release of the handbrake
- Examination of the wheel arches and wishbones for rust spots, treat if necessary

## **Battery**

- Removal of the battery, charge at regular intervals (about every two months)
- Battery storage: cool, dry and at a constant temperature
- Tip: Use of a trickle charger is advantageous

## **Interior**

- Cleaning of the interior (wipe out with a damp cloth and dry again)
- Checking the footwell for wet spots
- Opening of the windows (approximately 2-3 cm)
- Preparation of the leather components
- Cabriolet roof always closed

## **Engine and gearbox**

- Use of antifreeze
- Change of engine and transmission oil, [ZF lubricant list](#)
- Filling up the vehicle tank
- Check spark plugs, change if necessary
- Tip: use a fuel stabilizer when the vehicle is stationary for long periods