

Warning Lights

Practical skills

What each colour means, and which lights mean stop now.

Colour is the priority; the symbol is the detail.

Light	Colour	Do
Oil pressure	Red	Stop immediately; engine damage
Engine temperature	Red	Stop; let it cool
Brake warning	Red	Stop; check fluid and handbrake
Battery / charging	Red	Drive to a garage, do not stop the engine
Check engine	Amber	Investigate soon
ABS	Amber	Brakes work, ABS may not
Tyre pressure	Amber	Check pressures
Fog lights	Green	Information only

Educational reference. Oil pressure and temperature are the two that cause engine destruction within minutes.