

## Dealing with a Flooded Road

Flooding seems to be on the increase, and each year we see more drivers affected by flooding their car.

When confronted by a pool of water blocking your way whether you drive on through the water depends on how deep it is. If water gets into to your engine the car will stall and you will cause costly damage. It is recommended that you should never attempt to drive through water that is as high as your cars exhaust pipe.

If you do drive through a pool of water then:

- Drive over the highest part of the road.
- Go slowly - speeding through will create a wave that will rise up towards the engine and exhaust pipe.
- Use first gear and keep the revs high by slipping the clutch (keeping the clutch partly engaged). This will reduce the chances of water entering the exhaust.
- Never take your foot off the accelerator, as this could allow water to enter your exhaust pipe.
- Once clear of the water, dry the brakes by lightly applying them.