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## Headlights

Headlights are essentially just lamps. They are found at the front of a car and help drivers see the road when driving at night or during periods of low visibility. The driver operates and controls them manually from inside the car. A headlight switch, which is usually located on the dashboard or turn signal switch, sends an electrical signal from the car battery directly to the headlights. When the headlight switch is used, an electrical connection is opened and electricity flows freely from the car battery to the headlights.

Most headlights allow the driver to select between low and high beams. The low beams, which are the default setting for a headlight, are used for regular night driving or when visibility is limited. High beams, which are powered by another set of bulbs within the main headlight, allow for increased illumination of the road. High beams are generally used only for the darkest and poorest of visibility conditions. A headlight system is necessary to produce a low and a high beam that can be done either by an individual or single multifunction lamp for each of the beams.

Although headlights don't require as much care as other parts of the vehicle, they should be well maintained. Headlight aim should be checked regularly, meaning that it needs to be pointed in the correct direction and angled at an appropriate height. Headlights can also deteriorate and become discolored, turning yellowish.

This reduces the output of light, which hinders the driver's ability to drive safely when they are needed.

Even though headlights are usually taken for granted, there's no denying that when night falls and visibility is low, drivers would be lost without them. Check with VW Springfield to obtain the best lights for your vehicle.

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