2015-2018 Volkswagen Jetta S - Check Tire Pressure

2015-2018 Volkswagen Jetta | Easy | 10-15 minutes | $0 DIY

TOOLS
quality tire pressure gauge air compressor or gas-station air pump spare valve caps

PARTS
Owner’s Manual $0.00

STEPS

1. **Check pressures cold, before driving - Tire pressure must be measured cold - first thing** in the morning, or after the Jetta has sat for a few hours. Unscrew each valve cap and keep the four caps together in your pocket so none go missing.
2. **Read your numbers off the door-jamb placard - Open the driver’s door and find the Tire** and Loading Information label on the B-pillar - the door jamb. It lists the correct cold inflation pressures for your Jetta’s original tire sizes, front and rear separately. Use those numbers.
3. **Inflate each tire to the placard value - Press your gauge squarely onto each valve stem** and read the pressure. Recheck with the gauge after every adjustment - gas-station gauges and built-in inflator gauges are often optimistic.
4. **Reset the tire-pressure monitor - The 2015-2018 Jetta uses an indirect monitoring system:** it watches wheel speeds through the ABS sensors rather than using pressure sensors inside the tires, so after any pressure change you must teach it the new baseline.
5. **Drive so the system can relearn - After the reset, drive normally for 10 to 20 minutes.** The system needs real rolling data to learn the new baseline wheel speeds, and the warning light should go out during this drive.
6. **Understand what the light is telling you - A solid tire-pressure warning light means one** or more tires is significantly under-inflated - check pressures again right away. Knowing the difference saves you from chasing pressures when the electronics are the problem.
7. **Make it a monthly habit - Tires naturally lose a little air every month, and every** 10-degree Fahrenheit drop in temperature costs roughly 1 psi - which is why the light loves to appear on the first cold morning of fall.

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