

Idling Gets You Nowhere

Unnecessary Vehicle idling is Wasteful and Harmful to All of Us.

Idling wastes fuel and causes needless engine wear. Even worse, exhaust emissions affect our health and contribute to climate change.

Turn your engine off—No matter where you're parked—such as when visiting a store, bank, post office, school—turn your engine off when stopped for more than 10 seconds. Studies show that idling over 10 seconds uses more gas than restarting your engine.

Drive-throughs—Instead of using the drive-through, consider parking, turning off the engine and doing business inside. You'll not only get some exercise but will keep exhaust emissions out of the atmosphere. If determined to use the drive-through, turn off and restart your engine if you anticipate a wait of more than 10 seconds in line. Studies show that more frequent restarting places no undue stress on the starter motor.



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