

The HOT Summer days are finally upon us. For most families, that means cookouts, pool parties, baseball games, and road-trip vacations are in full swing as well. Before you pack the kids into the family minivan and hit the road, make certain your vehicle is running in tip-top shape, especially the vehicle's air conditioning system. At Tuffy, we offer complete AC performance checks to help ensure your vehicle is the coolest place this summer.

To help cool your family vehicle a bit faster, be certain to try these handy tips:

- Don't Precool Your Vehicle. Your vehicle will actually cool faster while being driven (the faster the engine turns, the faster the AC compressor runs which lets the system cool more effectively. If the interior is really hot, place the fan speed on high and open the rear windows for 30 seconds. This forces the hot air out of the vehicle.
- Don't Recirculate The Air (especially if you have backseat passengers).
- Turn Off The Start/Stop Mode. While this feature may save fuel, it can prevent the AC compressor from running when the engine stops (for example at a lengthy stoplight). In stop-and-go traffic, this feature will take much longer to cool your vehicle.
- Make Sure Your Filter's Clean. Simply put, a dirty cabin air filter will prevent optimal airflow. Each time your vehicle is in need of an oil change, the skilled service technicians at Tuffy will check this filter to make certain it's functioning properly.

From your local Tuffy Tire & Auto Service Center, be safe and enjoy the warm weather this Summer!

Be sure to visit your local Tuffy Tire & Auto Service Center for an Air Conditioning Performance Check-Up and make sure your vehicle is the COOLEST place this Summer!