

## How to take a car in Turkey: checklist

If you get a rental car for the first time, you may get a little jitters. Everything you read earlier quickly flies out of your head and you forget what to do and how to do it.

In this case, the manager controls the process. But they are also real people and usually want to finish the process quickly. And car rental is such a thing that does not tolerate haste. It is better to spend 5-10 minutes longer and be 100% protected.

Therefore, do not relax, but do everything according to the instructions without exception. Then it will be difficult even for a not very conscientious distributor to fine you.

### What do you need to take with you?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> International Passport | <input type="checkbox"/> Rental Voucher | <input type="checkbox"/> Money for the rent |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Driver License         |   | <input type="checkbox"/> Credit Card        |

### External inspection of the car

If you are flying with a girl, take the car together. You communicate with the manager and transfer all damage to the inspection card. It also includes video recording on the smartphone and going round the car in a circle 5-6 times, capturing all the damages.

You transfer each dent or scratch to the car inspection card. Your girl shoots them close-up. Pay attention not only to the most conspicuous places. Inspect bumpers, wheels, headlights, glass, roof. Look under the bottom of the car.

Particular attention should be paid to the elements where damage most often occurs:

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|---|--------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tires            | <input type="checkbox"/> Doors | <input type="checkbox"/> Windshield           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discs or hubcaps | <input type="checkbox"/> Wings | <input type="checkbox"/> Other glass surfaces |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bumper           | <input type="checkbox"/> Boot  | <input type="checkbox"/> Headlights           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Car bottom       | <input type="checkbox"/> Hood  | <input type="checkbox"/> Roof                 |

### Checking the engine compartment

This is not necessary, but I usually open the hood and quickly check that everything is ok there. The Turks do not really looking after the cars. If it breaks down on the way, the distributor will replace your car, but you will lose a lot of time. Check those things:

Oil level

Windshield washer reservoir

Antifreeze

### Inspection of the salon, checking the configuration

Now we need to assess the condition of the cabin. This is not so important, and therefore you don't have to note every small speck. Just make sure that there is no such things like deep cuts or large, noticeable spots on the seats.

Check the door niches, trunk and glove compartments. Check out the eyeglass compartment. If suddenly the previous passengers have forgotten something, it is better to find it right away.

I will list the elements that I usually check myself:

General view of the interior

First aid kit

Fire extinguisher

Trunk and glove boxes

Fuel level

Central locking

Air conditioner

Car floor mats

#### Add. options:

Baby chair

Navigator

Wheel chains

Does the roof work (for convertibles)

Warning triangle

Spare or repair kit

Reflective vest

### Quick car check

We start the car and check that all the main controls work:

Check doesn't flash

No other errors

Windscreen wipers

Turn signals

Headlights

Air conditioner | Heating system

### Checking documents and insurance

Well, we've inspected the car. Now we need to check the documents. Get in the car (when picking it up at the airport) or at the table (when picking up at the office). Read the contract carefully.

Verify that the price and conditions are the same as promised. No need to hurry.

Check that all damages are marked on the inspection card. If there are no hubcaps or mats, this should be written down. If there is a deposit, it must be indicated in contract.

Registration certificate  
for a car

All insurances

Contract



If you are renting a car for the first time, print this checklist and take it with you. You will mark the points in the process and you will definitely not forget anything.

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