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## How to check the Mazda Bongo automatic transmission fluid level.

As there's no 'low fluid' warning light on a Mazda Bongo, remember to check the level regularly.

Park the Bongo on level ground.

Put the gearstick in 'Park' (P) position.

Put the handbrake on.

Start the engine and leave it running.

The dip stick is under the driver's seat. Lift the seat to locate the dip stick.

Remove the dipstick; wipe it with a lint free cloth.

Dip it again and check the fluid level against the markings on the dipstick.

On some dipsticks you'll see 'HOT' and 'COLD' marks. If the engine is hot and transmission is at running temperature, fill it to the 'HOT' mark. If it's cold, fill it to the 'COLD' mark.

If it needs topping up, use ATF (Automatic Transmission Fluid) Dexron III (3).

Insert a funnel into the dipstick tube and pour in the ATF.

Re-check the level in the same way.

**DO NOT OVERFILL.**

When checking the ATF, it should be a clear red, and not smell of burnt toast.

If it is not clear, smells burnt, or if it is foaming, we can check for a problem.

The ATF should be replaced, and the filter cleaned, at the recommended service interval.

(I like to change mine every 2 years.)

