Gas-Saving Tips from Toyota Dealerships in Edmonton

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People rely on myths for two reasons: one, to make sense of phenomena so mysterious only fantastical explanations will suffice; and two, to perpetuate popular explanations with no sufficient basis yet which people find incredibly convincing. In the context of cars, the second reason often applies. There are a lot of car myths going around, and if you look closely, youâ€™ll find that you may have subscribed to some of them.

The price of gas here in Edmonton seems to be steadily rising, and the end is nowhere in sight. This is why a lot of people are doing whatever they can to squeeze more miles out of every expensive-to-fill gas tank. This need has enabled a lot of gas-saving myths to suddenly gain new life. Here are a few of those myths, debunked:

Myth #1: Turn off the AC

A lot of people think that turning off the carâ€™s AC will help reduce gas usage. And it does make senseâ€”your homeâ€™s AC uses up a lot of energy, so that means the AC in your car does, too. In reality studies suggest that turning your AC off results in a barely noticeable increase in fuel efficiency, which is all but erased by the drag caused by open windows. So roll up those windows and turn the AC back on.

Myth #2: Increase Tire Pressure

It is true that underinflated tires nominally affect fuel efficiency, but this doesnâ€™t mean that you should inflate your tires just to have better mileage. Underinflated tires are very dangerous, but so are overinflated tires. Proper tire inflation helps maintain safety on the road, but donâ€™t expect too much when it comes to savings on gas.

Myth #3: Fill Up When Itâ€™s Cold

Thereâ€™s this myth that itâ€™s better to fill up when itâ€™s cold outside because the fuel would be dens which means more fuel for less money. However, gas tanks are stored in cool, underground storage chambers, so aboveground temperatures donâ€™t affect them much. Also, itâ€™s always cold in Edmonto so Edmonton Toyota dealers would tell you to just fill up anytime.

Myth #4: Use Additives

Every conceivable consumer need has a corresponding product. However, environmental organizations and other agencies, including Edmonton Toyota dealerships, will tell you that additives do jack-squat in helping you save on gas.

In the end, it all comes down to what car you own, and how well you drive. It doesnâ€™t make sense to skimp on gas if youâ€™re driving a gas-guzzling SUV now, does it? For more information on dealerships that sell reliable vehicles from Toyota Edmonton customers want, check out Toyota.ca.

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