Car Dashboard Warning Lights

What the colors mean and what to do

Light	What it means
Red lights	stop safely as soon as you can and check the manual
Yellow or orange lights	something needs attention soon
Green or blue lights	a system is on, such as headlights
Oil pressure (red)	stop and switch off. Do not keep driving
Battery or charging (red)	the car is not charging. Get help soon
Engine temperature (red)	overheating. Stop safely and let it cool
Brake warning (red)	check the handbrake. If it stays on, do not drive
Check engine (yellow)	get it checked. A flashing light means stop and call for help
Tire pressure (yellow)	one or more tires are low. Check them
Airbag or seat belt (red)	a safety system needs attention

Tip: Symbols differ between makes. Your owner's manual shows every light in your car.

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