

# Epsom Automotive

*'We guarantee to phone before we fix'*

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## New ESC Rules – But What is it?



A new law will be phased in over the next 6 years that means that Electronic Stability Control (ESC) will become mandatory for all new and used vehicles imported into New Zealand by 2020. Under the proposed timetable, ESC will be required for all new light passenger and goods vehicles from July 1, 2015.

### So, what exactly is it?

ESC works by using a number of intelligent sensors that detect any loss of control and automatically apply the brake to the relevant wheel, putting your car back on the intended path.

ESC is of assistance to the driver in:

- correcting impending oversteering or understeering;
- stabilising the car during sudden evasive manoeuvres;
- enhancing handling on gravel patches, such as road shoulders; and
- improving traction on slippery or icy roads.

Not all ESC systems are identical. The hardware is similar, but there are variations in how ESC systems are programmed to respond once loss of control is detected.

Naturally, the degree of effectiveness of ESC is dependent upon the amount of traction between the road and the car.

Therefore on a car with old, worn or inappropriate tyres (eg: non winter tyres on ice and snow), ESC will be less effective than on a car with new tyres or tyres specific to a road environmental condition.

We've posted more info on this on our website, read more at [www.epsomautomotive.co.nz/electronic-stability-control.html](http://www.epsomautomotive.co.nz/electronic-stability-control.html)

## Our Services Include:

- Warrants of Fitness (Cars & Trailers)
- Vehicle Servicing
  - Lube Only or Full Annual Service
- Cambelts
- Batteries
- Tyres, fitting and rotation
- Pre-purchase Inspections
- Diagnostic Scanning

Courtesy cars are available (booking required) or a local drop off can be arranged.

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## School Holiday Planning

Planning a road trip during the school holidays?

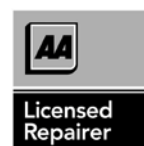
Don't forget to check your oil, water, and tyre tread before you go... and remember that it's a good idea to carry a first aid kit in your glove box, we certainly hope that the worst you'll ever need is a Band Aid!

## Easter Holidays

We will be closed for Easter on Good Friday and Easter Monday, plus the following Friday for Anzac Day. Here's hoping you all enjoy those long weekends with your families.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

*Rhett, Denis, Corne,  
Julian and Sharon*



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