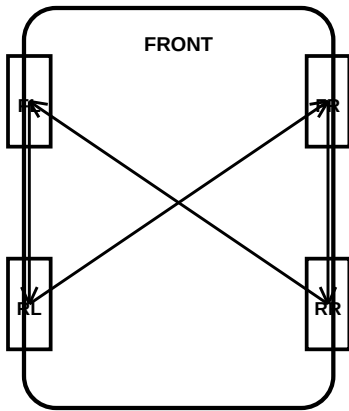


Tire rotation patterns

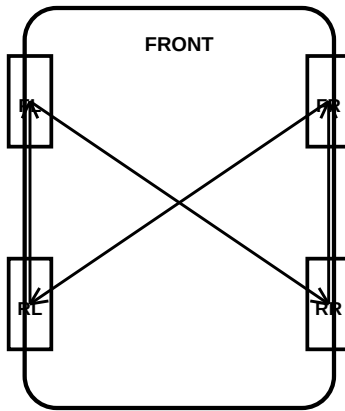
The three patterns most owner manuals describe. Check yours before you start.

Front wheel drive



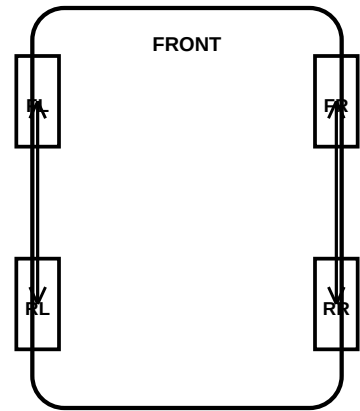
Fronts go straight back. Rears cross to the opposite front corner.

Rear wheel drive



Rears go straight forward. Fronts cross to the opposite rear corner.

Directional tires



Front to back on the same side only, so the tread keeps pointing the right way.

Before you jack it up

- ☐ Read the handbook. Some vehicles and some tires want a pattern of their own.
- ☐ Loosen the wheel nuts while the wheels are still on the ground.
- ☐ Support the vehicle on stands, never on the jack alone.
- ☐ Check the pressures afterwards. Front and rear are often different.
- ☐ Torque the nuts to the figure in the handbook, in a star pattern.

Notes (mileage, pressures, which corner each tire came from)

Directional tires carry an arrow on the sidewall. If yours do, the third pattern is the only safe one.