## Safe Driving

A leak or brake pad wear may cause a shortage of brake fluid in the reservoir.

Have brake system checked in a MERCEDES-BENZ service station as soon as possible.

Install only brake pads recommended by us.

If other than recommended brake pads are installed, the braking properties of the vehicle can be affected to an extent that the safety is substantially impaired.

## **Brake Pad Wear Indicator**

The brake pad wear indicator in the instrument cluster comes on when the key in the steering lock is turned to driving position "2" and it must go out when the engine is running. If the indicator lights up during braking or driving, this shows that the front wheel brake pads are worn down.

Have brake system checked in a MERCEDES-BENZ service station as soon as possible.

#### Brake Fluid

During the course of the operation of the vehicle, the boiling point of the brake fluid is continuously being reduced through the absorption of moisture from the atmosphere. Under extremely hard operating conditions, this moisture content can lead to the formation of vapor in the system thus reducing the system's efficiency. The brake fluid must therefore be replaced annually, preferably in the spring. It is recommended to use only brake fluid approved by MERCEDES-BENZ.

Your MERCEDES-BENZ dealer will provide you with additional information.

# **Charge Indicator Light**

Should the charge indicator light fail to come on prior to starting when the ignition key is in position "2" or should it fail to go out after starting or during operation, this indicates a fault which must be repaired at a MERCEDES-BENZ service station as soon as possible.

# Oil Pressure Gauge

The oil pressure may drop at idle speed to 7.1 psi (0.5 kp/sq.cm) if the engine is at operating temperature. This will not jeopardize its operational reliability. Pressure must, however, rise immediately upon acceleration.

The oil pressure gauge does not provide any information concerning the oil level in the engine.

# **Coolant Temperature Gauge**

Due to the pressurized cooling system, the coolant only starts boiling at a temperature of approx. 257° F (125° C) with an antifreeze-blended coolant fill protecting down to -22° F (-30° C) (see also "Fuels, Coolants, Lubricants, etc.").

During severe operating conditions and stop-and-go city traffic the coolant temperature must rise to red marking only.