# VOLVO 144/145 TAXI



The new, deep bumpers give the 1974 Volvo 144/145 Taxi an extra robust appearance. And quite rightly too. Volvo taxis are built to run thousands upon thousands of miles safely and to stand up to severe stresses. For example, the brakes, propeller shaft and automatic transmissions are specially reinforced. And the rear suspension includes extra strong shock absorbers and stiffer springs. The B20 engine, developing 90 h.p. SAE is renowned for its operational

dependability and its durability. Safety is emphasised still further on this new Volvo 144/145 Taxi. The divided steering shaft has been supplemented with an energy-absorbing telescopic crumple section with a "concertina" section. The fuel tank is now more safely located closely behind the rear axle. The rear side members are reinforced. The door frames are now made of welded steel.

As a workplace, the Volvo 144/145 Taxi is both safe and comfortable. The

driving seat is electrically heated. Clear instrumentation and well arranged controls make driving a pleasure. Well-dimensioned gearboxes, fast acceleration, hyper-efficient brakes and a tight turning circle are valuable Volvo characteristics for the demands made by dense city traffic.

An exceptionally robust basic construction with Volvo quality in every part means that the Volvo 144/145 Taxi provides good running economy and ensures a high trade-in value.



The driving seat in the Volvo 144/145 Taxi is characterized by restrained smartness. It is primarily designed to meet severe demands on function and safety. The steering wheel and dashboard in mat black have large energy-absorbing surfaces. The steering wheel attachment is of the collapsing type and 'gives" under abnormal stress.

The instrumentation is easy to read and all controls are placed within easy reach. On the discreetly lighted centre console are the heating and ventilation controls. One new feature is a bulb integrity sensor – a warning lamp indicating non-functioning bulbs in dipped headlights, tail lights or brake stop lights. There is also room in the centre console for a two-way radio. In the glove compartment there is room to fit a taximeter. A spacious pocket in the door panel provides plenty of extra storage space.
The new one-piece side windows

and the large rearview mirror provide even better and more convenient vision to the sides and rear.



A taximeter and a two-way radio can be fitted in the glove compartment and the centre console



An attractive new feature is the electrically heated driving seat. Thermostatcontrolled heating wires in the seat cushion and back-



rest warm up the seat from 0-26°C in three minutes. This seat can be supplemented with a transparent driver protection cowl.



The Volvo 144/145 Taxi is a safe vehicle with convenient interior fittings for both driver and passengers. The front seats have textile upholstery with vinyl edge reinforcement. And there is a wide range of seating adjustments - head restraint height, backrest inclination and

lumbar support. The rear seat is both spacious and comfortable and has vinyl upholstery. The Volvo 144/145 Taxi is easy to get into and out of. There is plenty of room between the seats and the door openings are generously dimensioned. In fact, the door opening angle is as

much as 80°. The door panels themselves are upholstered with durable vinyl material and the doors are fitted with scuff plates. The luggage compartment lid is fitted with a handle to facilitate opening and closing.

## TECHNICAL DATA

## Engine

Type B20 A, 90 h.p. SAE at 4,800 r.p.m. Max torque 16.5 kpm at 3,000 r.p.m.

## Cooling system

Fully-sealed system, with anti-freeze.

## Fuel tank

Volume 60 litres + built-in expansion tank of 6 litres.

## Electrical system

Extra powerful alternator - 55 A, 12 V.

## Gearbox

Manual four-speed box of fully

synchronized type or extra reinforced automatic transmission.

## Steering system

Split type telescope steering shaft.

## Safety body

All-welded, integral construction steel body. Closed box profiles round all body openings. Extra reinforcements in doors and reinforced rear side members.

## Brake system

Dual-circuit, triangle split brake system. Power-assisted disc brakes all round with particularly powerful callipers.

## Tyres and shock absorbers

The Volvo 144/145 Taxi are fitted with reinforced shock absorbers and have stiffer rear springs. Tyres on the 144 version are Michelin ZX radial, type 165 SR 15. The Volvo 145 Taxi is fitted with reinforced tyres of the 175 SR 15 R type.

# Heating and ventilation system

Thermostat-controlled with extra large capacity. Quietrunning fan with three speeds. Ten air inlets. Four adjustable direction nozzles on dashboard. Mixer for warm air and fresh air. Effective flow-through ventilation system.

## Other equipment

Halogen headlights. Inertia roller belts on front seats. Electrically heated rear window. Electrically heated driving seat.

Extra equipment includes a driver protection cowl.

For further information see the brochure for the Volvo 140 Series.

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