



ON-VEHICLE INSPECTION

1. CHECK THAT STEERING WHEEL FREEPLAY IS CORRECT

With the vehicle stopped and pointed straight ahead, rock the steering wheel gently back and forth with light finger pressure. Freeplay should not exceed the maximum limit.

Maximum play: 30 mm (1.18 in.)

If incorrect, repair.

2. CHECK STEERING LINKAGE AND GEAR HOUSING

(a) Check the steering linkage for looseness or damage.

Check that:

- Tie rod ends do not have excessive play.
- Boots are not damaged.
- Boot clamps are not loose.

(b) Check gear housing for grease leakage or oozing.