Car maintenance log

Free printable template: your car's history, kept so that a buyer can read it.

The car

Make	
Model and version	
Engine	
Registration number	
VIN (chassis number)	
First registered	
Bought on, at what mileage	
Use (circle one)	road · road and track · track only

How to keep it

1. One line per job, on the day, in order.
2. Write down the invoice number and file the invoice: that is the proof.
3. Done it yourself? Write "DIY" and keep the receipt for the parts.
4. For every wear part, note the date and mileage it was fitted.
5. Never fill a gap from memory: a missing line is better than an invented one.

The VIN ties the history to the car: the registration can change, the VIN never does. It is in field E of the V5C logbook.

Servicing and repairs

Services, repairs, parts fitted — in the order they happened.

Date	Mileage	Work done	Parts and part numbers	Garage or “DIY”	Cost	Invoice no.

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Wear parts

Where each part stands: without the date and mileage it was fitted, nobody can tell.

Part	Fitted on	at (mileage)	Make and part number	Track hours since fitted	Replaced on	at (mileage)
Front tyres						
Rear tyres						
Front brake pads						
Rear brake pads						
Front discs						
Rear discs						
Brake fluid						
Engine oil						
Timing belt or chain						
Battery						

On track, an hour wears tyres, pads and brake fluid far more than a hundred miles of road: if you do track days, write the hours down.

MOT tests

A mileage reading taken by a third party, on a fixed date.

Date	Mileage	Result	Test centre

Track days

What wears a car fastest, and what gets written down least.

Date	Circuit	Time on track	Notes