

For immediate release

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**6-SPEED MANUAL NOW AVAILABLE WITH D5 ENGINE FOR
VOLVO XC90, XC70 AND V70 AWD**

- **6-speed manual available with D5 XC90, XC70 and V70 D5 AWD**
- **Lower emissions: between 9.5% to 12.3% lower, saving up to £1050 per annum in tax for company car drivers**
- **Fuel economy improved by between 9.6% and 13.5% on Combined cycle**

The versatility of All-Wheel Drive (AWD) and Volvo's acclaimed D5 turbo-diesel engine are now available with the added flexibility of Volvo's new six-speed manual gearbox in the XC90, XC70 and V70 AWD. This combination offers a lower price¹ and emissions, with improved fuel economy and performance³ for those who prefer a manual gearchange.

Volvo's 2.4-litre, five-cylinder, D5 turbo-diesel engine is already the most popular choice of engine for the XC90, XC70 and V70 AWD models, but until now has been available exclusively with 'Geartronic'² transmission.

Compared to the same models with the Geartronic transmission, the six-speed manual gearbox offers fuel economy savings of between 9.6, 12.0 and a maximum of 13.5 per cent for the XC90, XC70 and V70 AWD respectively.

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Similarly, with emissions reduced by 9.5, 10.6 and 12.3 per cent for the XC90, XC70 and V70 AWD respectively, the new manual gearbox/D5 diesel engine combination also spells lower Benefit in Kind tax bills for company motorists.

For instance, a 22% and 40% tax payer who chooses the manual XC90 diesel D5 S ahead of the Geartronic will save £96 or £175 per year, while a V70 AWD D5 S driver will reduce their annual tax bill by £578 or £1050. An XC70 AWD SE driver will save £573 or £1041.

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Notes to Editors:

1. Geartronic transmission is a £1250 option for V70 AWD, XC70 and XC90 D5 models.
2. Geartronic is an adaptive automatic transmission which registers your driving style and adapts the gearchanging pattern accordingly, with a manual mode so the driver can change gear by moving the gearlever forward or backwards.
3. On the road prices and technical specifications for AWD, D5 manual models:

	V70 AWD	XC70	XC90
On the road £	D5 S: £25,178 D5 Sport: £26,578 D5 SE: £27,278	D5 SE: £27,398 D5 SE Lux: £29,898	D5 S: £30,133 D5 SE: £32,483
Power	163bhp @ 4000rpm		
Torque	340Nm @ 1750rpm		
Top speed	130 man (124 auto)	124 man (121 auto)	115 man (115 auto)
0-62mph (secs)	10.3 man (11.3 auto)	10.5 man (11.5 auto)	12.2 man (12.3 auto)
CO ₂ (g/km)	198 man (226 auto)	202 man (226 auto)	219 man (242 auto)
Fuel consumption (mpg):			
Urban	29.1 man (25.0 auto)	28.2 man (24.8 auto)	26.9 man (23.7 auto)
Extra urban	45.6 man (40.9 auto)	45.6 man (41.5 auto)	40.4 man (37.7 auto)
Combined	37.7 man (33.2 auto)	37.2 man (33.2 auto)	34.0 man (31.0 auto)
Insurance group	13	13	15
Minimum kerbweight	1669kg	1715kg	2103kg
Towing limit	1800kg	1800kg	2250kg

4. Production of the manual transmission with the D5 engine and AWD started in February 2004, and an XC90 D5 manual is now available on the press fleet.

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