Oil pressure



A correct oil pressure and a correct oil temperature belong to the most important requirements when offroading (but also in general). Installation of the latter is still pending with me (oil temperatur regulator). However, it's not needed unless you travel to very elevated places (eg the Andes). Oil pressure however is of general interest. It can diminish also under normal circumstances when not enough oil is available or any other failure is present. The red indicator light on the dashboard of my Zebra is more than tiny and can be overlooked easily, specially when the sun shines. To be on the save side, I had to come up with an idea. Fortunately, my garagist (http://www.klarer-garage.ch) gave me the tip I needed.



I bought a small 12V stroboscope at Pusterla AG, (http://www.pusterla.ch) that cost me 25 CHF and placed it in a way that it cannot be overlooked, even with high sunshine. I connected it to the oil pressor sensor in the engine compartment that also regulates the indicator on the dashboard. Potentially I also could have tried to connect it directly to the indicator lamp. When I set the key to 'battery' my stoboscope starts to blink – as a test that it works. After ignition, behaves like any other warning indicator on the dashboard.



It goes without saying that the warning itself is fine, but without an adequate stock of reserve oil it is of no use. Therefore, always carry some additional engine oil (and others) with you.