

## 5. MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING

### 5.1 Maintenance

In addition to the before-riding "Safety and Parts Inspection" and "While-riding Evaluation" (sections 4.1 and 4.2 of this manual), a thorough inspection of all inner and outer working parts should be performed by a professional bicycle dealer after 3 months, 6 months, 1 year and every 6 months thereafter. Included is a form for the first three inspections of this type.

Upon completion of these three forms you are eligible for a US\$20 factory rebate off your next purchase of a Hon Convertible. Send the duly completed forms and the receipts for the first three inspections and any repairs that were necessary to the DAHON California, Inc. within 13 months of your first purchase. When you purchase your next DAHON Folder, indicate on the Warranty Card that you have completed and sent these forms to the DAHON California and, upon verification, a \$20 check will be sent to you.

### FIRST INSPECTION FORM (3 MONTHS)

DATE:

ITEM	RESULT	CORRECTION	COST
FRAME AND LATCH			
STEERING SYSTEM			
HANDLEBAR SYSTEM			
SADDLE, SEAT POST SYSTEM			
DRIVE SYSTEM			
WHEEL SYSTEM			
BRAKE SYSTEM			
CASTER WHEEL SYSTEM			
LAMP AND REFLECTORS			

DEALERSHIP'S NAME:  
COMPANY REGISTRATION NO:  
DEALER'S SIGNATURE:

TOTAL COST:

necessary at night and avoid heavy traffic. Vision is quite limited at dusk and at night, so be very careful to avoid any road hazards. Make sure your bicycle is equipped with properly positioned and clean reflectors on pedals and side reflectors on wheels. The purchase and installation of an adequate headlight and taillight is strongly recommended and required by law in most areas. Wear light-colored or reflective clothing. Ride slowly and ride only on streets familiar to you. Check local laws regarding riding at night. Do not let a coat or other clothing hang down and cover your rear reflector.

8. Use extra caution in wet weather.  
Ride slowly on damp surfaces as tires will slip easily. Apply brakes sooner than normal as a greater stopping distance is required, especially if your brake shoes are wet.

**Warning:** If the front brake is applied too strongly, the bike might flip forward.

9. Give pedestrians the right-of-way, make a sound loud enough to alert any pedestrians that you want to pass.

Do not ride too close to pedestrians. Don't park your bicycle where it will get in someone's way.

10. Don't

- Carry passengers
- Carry items or attach anything to your bicycle that might hinder your vision or control.
- Hold onto or attach your bicycle to any car, truck, or other vehicle in order for it to pull you along.
- Carry extra clothing where it can hang down and jam the wheel.
- Ride with both hands off the handlebars.
- Wear head phones.

11. Ride a safe bicycle and wear proper clothing.

Make sure your bicycle fits you and that all parts, especially the brakes, are adjusted and working properly. Make sure loose fitting clothing (especially your right pants leg) does not catch in moving bicycle parts.

12. Watch out for the other guy, ride defensively.

Watch the car or bicycle in front of you and be prepared to take defensive action. Don't follow a car or another bicycle too closely.

Be especially aware of traffic approaching from behind in case you must swerve to avoid something.

**Warning:** This bicycle has been designed for general transportation and recreational use. It has not been designed to withstand abuse associated with stunting and jumping or organized competitive events. The user is warned that he assumes risk for injuries, losses and damage from such uses.