NEW VOLVOS FOR 1970

Better ventilation, headrests added and heated backlight standard on 140 Series

EVERAL worthwhile improvements are incorporated in the latest 2-litre 140 Series Volvos for the 1970 model year. Heating and ventilation has received attention with a new through-flow system and a heated rear window is standard on all models.

Volumetric output of the heater has been stepped up and air extractors are now fitted in a carefully chosen position at the base of the back window. As well as being in a lowpressure zone in the streamline pattern over the outside of the car's body, the extractors are in a natural high-pressure region of the air circulating inside the car, thus giving draught-free ventilation. At the same time, two new fresh-air vents have been added in the front wheel arches. The extractors have the usual one-way check valves to prevent any possibility of reverse flow fumes entering, and the ducting incorporates a rain water drain.

The heated backlight has a choice of two levels, 75-watt and 150-watt. On the 145 estate car an external wiper and washer set is standard to combat the spray which collects on it in dirty weather, a world first for such a gadget and a necessary aid to safety which other manufacturers of estate cars should copy.

Aware also of the increased danger from dazzle these days, Volvo have changed from a smoked glass rear view mirror to a manual dipping one working on the usual prismatic principle. Four-way hazard warning flashers are now fitted to all models.

Stimulated by American Federal safety regulations and a concern for protection against whiplash neck injuries, Volvo have also introduced integral but adjustable headrests on all models. The seats are now adjustable for reach, rake, height, backrest tension and the headrests

164 CHANGES

All the 140 Series changes apply to the 3-litre 6-cylinder 164 model with the addition of tinted glass, twin fog lamps and inertia-reel seat belts (the 140 Series have static lap and diagonal bets as standard). The reels for these belts are sunk into the body work so that they do not intrude on rear passenger footroom.

The established family of 130 models continue practically unchanged except for the substitution of the new seats with headrests. At present the 1800 sports coupé (now announced with Bosch electronic fuel injection as standard) will not be available on the British market.

PRICE INCREASES

The prices of the two 130 Series models go up by £20, whereas the 140 Series saloons remain the same. The two-door models are no longer listed and the 145 estate car goes up by £40; it is now available with the S-type engine for £76 extra. The 164 price goes up by £69.

Top right: For 1970 the Volvo 164 has new seats, better ventilation and foglamps as standard. Inertia

reel seat belts are standard Centre right: The 144 has the same new seats (with headrests) and the improved ventilation. A heated backlight is standard too

Right: New headrests are adjustable for height, as

are the seats themselves

