What to Do in Case of Vehicle Trouble, etc.

- 1 If you have vehicle trouble or run out of fuel or coolant, park your vehicle at a place that will not obstruct other traffic and take repair or fueling/refilling measures immediately. If parking your vehicle on an expressway out of necessity, you must stop it on the hard shoulder or a side strip of the road so as not to obstruct other vehicles.
- When parking your vehicle on a general road at nighttime out of necessity, turn on the hazard lights or other lights and place a warning triangle so that other drivers can see that your vehicle is parked. Even when parking your vehicle on a general road in daytime hours, place a warning triangle or open the trunk to indicate that your vehicle is parked.
- When parking your vehicle on an expressway out of necessity, you must place a warning triangle during the day or at night, depending on the time, behind your vehicle (if you have difficulty walking and cannot place it behind your vehicle on the road, you can instead place a beacon light at a place that other drivers can easily see from behind, such as the side of your vehicle on the road). During the night, you must turn on your hazard lights, parking lights or tail lights as well. When placing a warning triangle, pay close attention to vehicles approaching from behind by signaling to them with road flares.
- Leaving a disabled vehicle on the road is highly dangerous, as it leads to rear-end accidents. As soon as you have taken primary measures, such as placing a warning triangle, call the JAF (Japan Automobile Federation) or other breakdown services via a nearby telephone, so that they can tow your vehicle off the road immediately. If you use an ordinary vehicle to tow your vehicle out of necessity, you must ensure the towing vehicle and the disabled vehicle are tied using a strong rope while keeping a safe distance (within 5 meters) between the two vehicles and attach a white cloth (with the size of 30 square centimeters or larger) to the rope.