



Getting to Know Your 2009 LaCrosse



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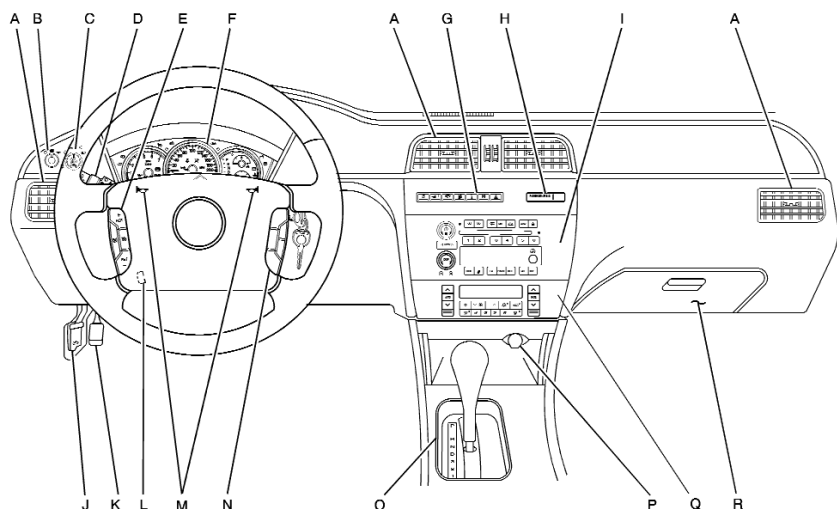
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Congratulations on your purchase of a Buick LaCrosse. Please read this information and your Owner Manual to ensure an outstanding ownership experience. Note that your vehicle may not include all the features described in this booklet. Keep this booklet with your Owner Manual for easy reference.

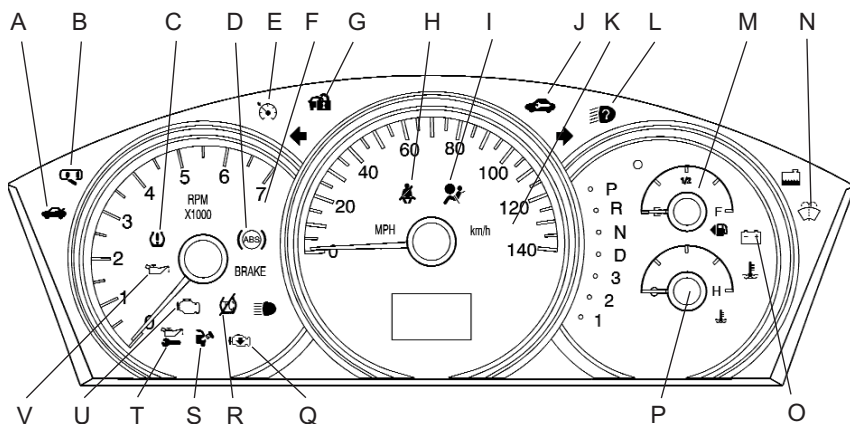
DRIVER INFORMATION**Instrument Panel**

The main features of the instrument panel include:

- A. Air Outlets
- B. Interior Lamps Control
- C. Exterior Lamps Control/Fog Lamp Control
- D. Turn Signal/Multifunction Lever
- E. Cruise Controls
- F. Instrument Panel Cluster
- G. DIC Buttons (if equipped)/Hazard Warning Flashers Button/Traction Control Button
- H. Passenger Airbag Status Indicator
- I. Audio System Controls
- J. Hood Release
- K. Parking Brake
- L. Tilt Lever (if equipped)
- M. Horn
- N. Audio Steering Wheel Controls
- O. Shift Lever
- P. Accessory Power Outlet
- Q. Climate Controls
- R. Glove Box

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Instrument Panel Cluster



Your vehicle's instrument panel is equipped with this cluster or one very similar to it. The instrument panel cluster includes these key gauges and lights/lamps:

- A. Trunk Ajar
- B. Door Ajar
- C. Tire Pressure Monitor
- D. Antilock Brake System (ABS)
- E. Cruise Control Engaged
- F. Tachometer
- G. Security
- H. Safety Belt – Driver
- I. Driver Airbag
- J. Service Vehicle Soon
- K. Speedometer
- L. Headlamp Suggested

- M. Fuel Gauge
- N. Washer Fluid Level
- O. Battery
- P. Temperature Gauge
- Q. Reduced Engine Power
- R. Traction Control Disabled
- S. Check Gas Cap
- T. Change Engine Oil
- U. Check Engine
- V. Oil Pressure

Note: The instrument panel cluster is designed to let you know about many important aspects of your vehicle's operation. It is important to read your Owner Manual and become familiar with the information being relayed to you by the lights, gauges, DIC messages and indicators, as well as what action can be taken to ensure safety and to prevent damage.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Vehicle Symbols

Following are examples of symbols you may find on your vehicle. It is important to become familiar with them, as they indicate vehicle features and alert you to various vehicle operating conditions.

-  Air Conditioning (A/C)
-  Air Recirculation
-  DIC Fuel
-  DIC Gauges
-  DIC Option
-  DIC Set/Reset
-  Fog Lamps
-  Headlamps
-  Off
-  On/Off
-  On
-  Parking Lamps
-  Rear Window Defogger
-  Remote Vehicle Start

Driver Information Center



The base-level Driver Information Center (DIC) displays the odometer and trip odometer. Uplevel DICs also display a compass, trip computer, fuel economy information, OnStar® phone numbers called (if equipped) and other messages or warnings. The DIC display is located on the instrument cluster below the speedometer, and can be programmed in English, French or Spanish.

The outside temperature displays in the bottom-right corner of the uplevel DIC when viewing the trip/odometer screens, fuel screens and some gauge screens. At 37°F (3°C) or below, readings toggle between temperature and the word ICE for two minutes.



The following DIC controls are located in the center of the instrument panel:

TRIP/ODO (Trip/Odometer): On the base DIC, press to display odometer/trip distance. Uplevel DICs also display time elapsed and average speed.

E/M (English/Metric): On the base DIC, press to choose English or Metric units. On uplevel DICs, press the **i** (Option) button until UNITS appears. Press the **↵** (Set/Reset) button to choose English or Metric units.

↵ (Set/Reset) (if equipped): Press to set/reset certain functions and to turn off/acknowledge DIC messages.

🔋 (Gauges) (if equipped): Press to display battery and oil life.

⛽ (Fuel) (if equipped): Press to display fuel range and average economy.

i (Option) (if equipped): Press to display English/Metric units, language, personalization, compass zone and compass calibration.

Personalizing the DIC (if equipped)

Uplevel DICs can memorize selected personalized settings for up to two drivers. (Some features are limited to a single setting.)

1. Place the vehicle in Park (P) and turn on the ignition.
2. Press the **i** (Option) button until PERSONAL PROGRAM is displayed.
3. Press the **↵** (Set/Reset) button to display instructions.
4. Press the **i** button to display programmable features.
5. Press the **↵** button to change the setting of each feature.

Your ignition key identifies you to the vehicle. Two keys can be programmed for certain features that correspond to each driver. To personalize a key:

1. From the Personal Program menu, press the **i** (Option) button until PERSONALIZE KEY is displayed.
2. Press the **↵** (Set/Reset) button until YES is displayed.
3. Press the **i** button.

Personalization Features include:

Delayed Locking — Delays locking of the vehicle doors for up to five seconds after the last door is closed. Two chimes will sound when the power door lock switch or the Lock button on the Remote Keyless Entry transmitter is pressed when a door is open. To program:

1. From the Personal Program menu, press the **i** (Option) button until DELAYED LOCKING is displayed.
2. Press the **↵** (Set/Reset) button until ON or OFF appears.
3. Press the **i** button to select it.

The ignition key must be removed for the feature to work after programming.

Key Fob Feedback — Choose from Off (no feedback), Lights (exterior lights flash) or Lights and Horn when you press the Remote Keyless Entry transmitter (key fob) Lock button. To program:

1. From the Personal Program menu, press the **i** (Option) button until FOB LOCK FEEDBACK is displayed.
2. Press the **↵** (Set/Reset) button until the desired setting is displayed.
3. Press the **i** button to save the setting.

Exterior Light Delay — Sets the time for exterior lights to remain on after the key is removed from the ignition or the vehicle is unlocked with the Remote Keyless Entry transmitter. To program:

1. From the Personal Program menu, press the **i** (Option) button until EXT LIGHT DELAY is displayed.
2. Press the **↵** (Set/Reset) button to scroll through OFF or 15/30/60/90-second delays.
3. Press the **i** button to store a setting.

You can also use the **i** (Option) and **↵** (Set/Reset) buttons to personalize each of the following:

- Return settings to factory default/reset all keys
- Interior lights on when key is removed from the ignition
- Content theft-deterrent system on/off
- Remote start on/off
- Personalize/replace key
- Personalize radio stations
- Auto door unlock all/driver's door/off
- Key fob unlock driver's door/all doors on first press

Exiting Programming Mode: The DIC exits programming mode when:

- The vehicle is shifted out of Park.
- The vehicle is no longer in Run.
- You reach the end of the Personal Program menu.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

SAFETY & SECURITY

Unlocking the Doors with the Key

Your vehicle's passenger doors can be unlocked using the driver's door key.

With the key in the lock cylinder:

- Turn the key toward the front of the vehicle to unlock the driver's door.
- Turn and hold the key toward the front of the vehicle for two seconds to unlock all doors.
- Turn and hold the key toward the rear of the vehicle to lock all doors.

See Section 2 of your Owner Manual.

Automatic Door Locks

Auto Door Lock

The automatic door locks will lock the vehicle's doors when all doors are closed and the vehicle is shifted into Drive.

Auto Door Unlock

Automatic door unlocking options include off, unlocking the driver's door or unlocking all doors. Press the **i** (Option) button on the DIC until Auto Door Unlock is displayed; and then press the **↵** (Set/Reset) button to scroll through Off, Driver and All. If Driver or All is selected, two additional choices — Key-Out and Park — will be displayed. Select one of these choices to determine when the vehicle's door(s) will automatically unlock.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Passenger Airbag Status Indicator

Your vehicle is equipped with a Passenger Sensing System located in the front passenger seat for the front passenger frontal airbag, and a passenger airbag status indicator located on the instrument panel center stack.

Note: It is recommended that children not be placed in the front passenger seat, even with the Passenger Sensing System. All children should be secured in a rear seat, including an infant riding in a rear-facing infant seat, a child riding in a forward-facing child seat or an older child riding in a booster seat.

See Sections 1 and 3 of your Owner Manual.

OnStar®

Your vehicle features the uplevel OnStar Directions & Connections Plan with one year of OnStar service from the date you purchased your new vehicle. With the help of OnStar Advisors, who are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, OnStar offers a wide variety of safety and driver assistance capabilities, including the following services:

- Driving Directions and Turn-by-Turn Navigation
- OnStar Vehicle Diagnostic e-mail
- Automatic Notification of Airbag Deployment
- Automatic Advanced Crash Notification
- Emergency Services
- Remote Door Unlock
- Stolen Vehicle Location Assistance
- Hands-Free Calling with 30 calling minutes

- Roadside Assistance
- Fuel Station Location
- Information & Connections services
- Virtual Advisor, GPS-based Traffic & Weather

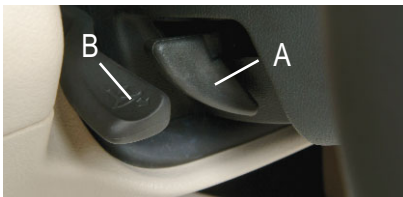
For Turn-by-Turn Navigation, press your OnStar button. OnStar Advisors can send a planned route to your vehicle and, as you approach a turn, instructions will play over your vehicle speakers.

For Remote Door Unlock or Stolen Vehicle Location Assistance, call 1-888-4-ONSTAR (1-888-466-7827). For more information, refer to your OnStar Owner's Guide or visit onstar.com.

See Section 2 of your Owner Manual.

COMFORT

Tilt/Telescoping Steering Wheel



To adjust the tilt position of the steering wheel, hold the wheel and pull the lever (A) on the left of the steering column toward you. Move the wheel up or down to a comfortable level. Release the lever to lock.

To adjust the telescoping position of the steering wheel, push down on the lever (B) to unlock the steering wheel. Pull or push the steering wheel to the desired position. Push up on the lever to lock the steering wheel.

Do not adjust the position of the steering wheel while driving.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Dual Automatic Climate Control



Dual automatic climate control maintains the desired temperature individually for the driver and front seat passenger.

Automatic Operation

Push the AUTO button and use the driver- or passenger-side up/down arrow keys to adjust the temperature. The air delivery mode, fan speed, air conditioning and recirculation functions will be set automatically to achieve the desired temperature.

To turn the passenger-side operation on or off, press the PASS button. When first turned on, the setting will be the same as the driver's. Use the up/down arrow keys to adjust the temperature.

To turn off the entire system, press the OFF button.

Manual Operation

To manually select the temperature or mode, press the desired mode button as follows:

 **(Temperature)**: Press to manually adjust the temperature. The left side controls the driver side and the right side controls the passenger side.

 **(Decrease Fan Speed)**: Press to lower fan speed.

 **(Increase Fan Speed)**: Press to raise fan speed.

 **(Air Conditioning)**: Press to activate or deactivate air conditioning.

 **(Recirculation)**: Press to prevent outside air from entering your vehicle. Recirculation can be activated in Vent or Bi-Level mode, but not in Floor/Defog or Defrost mode.

 **(Rear Window Defog)**: Press to clear the rear glass (it turns off after about 20 minutes). Press again for extended operation. Press again or switch off the ignition to turn off.

 **(Floor mode)**: Press to direct most of the air to the floor.

 **(Bi-Level mode)**: Press to direct most of the air to the instrument panel and floor outlets.

 **(Vent mode)**: Press to direct air through the instrument panel outlets.

 **(Floor/Defog)**: Press to clear the windshield and front side windows of mist and frost.

 **(Defrost)**: Press to clear the windshield of heavier amounts of mist and frost more quickly.

 **(Heated Seats)** (if equipped): Press to turn the driver or front passenger heated seat on/off.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

ENTERTAINMENT

Audio Systems



Setting the Time

Press and hold the H button on the sound system faceplate until the correct hour appears on the display. Press and hold M until the correct minute appears. The ignition does not need to be turned on.

Radio Controls

(Power): Press to turn the system on or off.

(Volume): Turn to increase/decrease volume.

BAND: Press to switch between AM, FM1/FM2 and XM1/XM2 (if equipped).

DISP (Display): Press to switch the display between the radio station frequency and the time. With the ignition off, press to display the time.

While in XM mode (if equipped), press to display the artist, song title, category and channel.

INFO (Information) (if equipped): While in XM mode (if equipped), press to display a current radio station message and other information, if available.

SCV (Speed Compensated Volume):

Press to select Off, Min, Med or Max radio volume compensation as vehicle speed increases.

(Tune/Balance/Fade): Turn to select radio stations.

To set Bass/Treble, push and release until BAS or TRE appears. Turn to increase or decrease. To adjust to the middle position, press and hold until it beeps.

To adjust Balance, push and release until BAL appears. Turn the knob to move the sound toward the right or left. To adjust Fade, push until FAD appears. Turn the knob to move the sound toward the front or rear.

To adjust all controls to the middle position, push/hold the speaker knob when no tone or speaker control is displayed. ALL CEN appears and the unit beeps.

◀SEEK▶ (Seek): Press and release the left/right Seek arrow to go to the previous or next station and stay there.

To scan, press and hold either arrow for more than two seconds. SCAN appears on the display and a beep sounds. The radio finds a station, plays a few seconds and advances to the next. Press either arrow or a pushbutton to stop scanning.

To scan preset stations, press and hold either arrow for more than four seconds. PSCAN appears and two beeps sound. Press either arrow or a pushbutton to stop scanning presets.

Setting Preset Stations

1. With the radio on, press **BAND** to select AM/FM1/FM2 or XM1/XM2 (if equipped).
2. Tune to the desired station.
3. Press **EQ** to select equalization.
4. Press and hold a numbered pushbutton until a beep sounds.

Repeat for each pushbutton of each band (up to 30 possible stations).

CD Controls

With the ignition on, insert a CD, label side up, partway into the slot. The player will pull it in and begin playing. To insert with ignition off, first press eject or **DISP**.

1 ◀◀ (Reverse): Press to go to the start of the current track if more than eight seconds have played. Hold or press more than once to move backward through the CD tracks.

2 ▶▶ (Fast Forward): Press to go to the next track. Hold or press more than once to forward through the upcoming CD tracks.

4RDM (Random): Press to hear tracks in random order. Press again to disable random play.

◀SEEK▶ (Seek): Press the left arrow to go to the start of the current track or the previous track. Press the right arrow to go to the start of the next track. Press the arrows for more than two seconds to search previous or next tracks. Release to stop searching and play the track.

DISP (Display): Press to display the current CD track and the elapsed time the current track has played.

BAND: Press to switch to the radio when a CD is playing. The CD remains inside the player.

Ⓢ (CD): Press to play a CD when the radio is playing.

EQ (if equipped): Press to select customized equalization settings for C&W, Jazz, Talk, Pop, Rock and Classical music. To return to manual mode, press and release the Tone knob until **MANUAL** is displayed.

⏏ (Eject): Press to eject a CD, with the ignition off or on, or the radio off. Load CDs with the ignition off by pressing this button first.

MP3-Capable Uplevel Radio (if equipped)

Play MP3 files on CD-R CDs. To play, with the ignition on, insert the disc partway into the slot, label side up. The player will pull it in. **READING** appears on the display and the disc plays. Smaller, 3-inch (8-cm) single CDs may be used with an adapter ring.

3 ↺ (Repeat): Press to hear a track again. **RPT** is displayed. Press again to disable repeat play.

5 ◀ (Previous Folder): Press to go to the first track in the previous folder. Pressing while in Folder Random mode takes you to the previous folder and plays random tracks there.

6 ▶ (Next Folder): Press to go to the first track in the next folder. Pressing while in Folder Random mode takes you to the next folder and plays random tracks there.

Six-Disc CD Player (if equipped)

To load multiple CDs in the six-disc CD player:

1. Turn the ignition on. Press and hold the Load button for two seconds. The player beeps and the light to the right of the slot will flash. MULTI LOAD # is displayed.
2. When the light stops flashing and turns green, INSERT CD # is displayed. Insert a disc partway, label side up.
3. The indicator light will begin blinking and turn green. Another disc may be loaded.
4. When loading two to five CDs, press the Load button again after loading the final CD.

For every CD loaded, a number appears on the radio display. To play a specific disc, press CD and the number of the CD you want to hear. A small bar appears under the CD number that is playing, and the track number appears.

Note: CDs with any affixed labels may jam in the CD player. Label a CD using a permanent marker. If more than one CD is inserted into the slot at a time, or if scratched or damaged CDs are played, the CD player could be damaged. When using the CD player, use only CDs in good condition without labels; load one CD at a time; and keep the CD player and the loading slot free of foreign materials, liquids or debris.

Finding an XM Category Station (if equipped)

Category (CAT) stations are available on XM1 or XM2 bands only. To find a CAT station:

1. Press the CAT button to activate Program Type (PTY) Select mode.
2. A category is displayed.
3. Rotate the Tune knob. When the preferred category appears, press the Seek button to go to the first category station (pressing Seek for more than two seconds will activate Category Scan).
4. To go to another station, press the CAT button. The previously stored category will be displayed.
5. Press the up or down Seek button.
6. Press the CAT button to exit PTY Select mode.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Bluetooth® System

The in-vehicle Bluetooth system allows users with a Bluetooth-enabled cell phone to make and receive hands-free phone calls using the vehicle's audio system, microphone and controls. The Bluetooth-enabled cell phone must be paired with the in-vehicle Bluetooth system before it can be used in the vehicle.

Not all phones will support all functions. Visit www.buick.com/bluetooth for more information.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Audio Steering Wheel Controls

Audio Steering Wheel Controls

The following audio controls are located on the steering wheel:

 **+ – (Volume):** Pull up on the plus or minus button to increase or decrease the volume.

 **(Next/Previous/End):** Press the  up or down arrow to go to the next or previous radio station stored as a favorite or, when a CD is playing, to the next or previous track. Press the  (End) button to end an OnStar or Bluetooth call.

SRCE (Source): Press this button to switch between AM, FM, XM (if equipped), CD and the auxiliary input jack.

 **(Seek):** Press this button to go to the next radio station on the same band or, when a CD is playing, to the next track.

 **(Mute/Push to Talk/Voice**

 **Recognition):** Press this button to mute the vehicle speakers. Press and hold the button for more than two seconds to interact with the OnStar or Bluetooth system.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

CONVENIENCE

Remote Vehicle Start

This feature allows you to start the engine from outside the vehicle by using the Remote Keyless Entry (RKE) transmitter. The remote start capability must be turned on using the Driver Information Center.

Based on outside temperature, the vehicle's automatic climate control system will default to a heating or cooling mode.

Starting the Vehicle

1. Aim the RKE transmitter at the vehicle.
2. Press and release the  (Lock) button on the transmitter.
3. Immediately press and hold the  (Remote Start) button for about four seconds. When the vehicle starts, the parking lamps will light and remain on while the engine is running. The engine will continue running for 10 minutes.
4. Repeat these steps for a 10-minute time extension. Only two consecutive remote starts are allowed.

After a remote start, the ignition must be turned to the On position before driving.

Note: The Remote Vehicle Start feature will not operate if the key is in the ignition, a door or the hood is open, or the Check Engine light is illuminated on the instrument panel cluster.

Canceling a Remote Start

To turn off the engine instead of driving after a remote start:

- Press and hold the  (Remote Start) button until the parking lamps turn off.
- Press and release the Hazard Warning Flashers button. Press it again to turn off the flashers.
- Turn the key in the ignition switch to the On position and then off.

See Section 2 of your Owner Manual.

Exterior Lamps and Automatic Headlamp System



You will find the exterior lamps knob on the left side of the instrument panel.

⏻ (On/Off): To turn the headlamps off when the lights are on, turn the control to the ⏻ position. The momentary switch design springs back to AUTO when released.

AUTO: Activates the automatic headlamp system, illuminating all exterior lamps and the instrument panel/radio lights when needed.

P (Parking Lamps): The parking lamp position illuminates tail/side marker/license plate lamps and instrument panel/radio lights.

H (Headlamps): The headlamps position manually activates the headlamps, exterior tail/marker lamps and instrument panel/radio lights.

F (Fog Lamps): To activate the fog lamps, press the center of the rotary control marked F.

To switch headlamps from low to high beam, push the multifunction lever away from you. Pull it back and release for low-beam operation.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Daytime Running Lamps

The Daytime Running Lamps (DRLs) illuminate the low-beam headlamps at a lower intensity in daylight to make the front of the vehicle more visible to others. The DRLs do not illuminate the taillamps or side marker lamps.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Interior Lamps



The interior lamps control is located next to the exterior lamps control on the left side of the instrument panel. It can be set to:

○ (Off): This position disables the interior lamps entirely, whether or not a door is open.

🚗 (Door): This position turns on the interior lamps when a door is opened and when the ignition key is removed.

⏻ (On): This position turns on the interior lamps continuously.

Instrument Panel Brightness: When you push the center of the interior lamps knob, a spring-loaded stem will pop out. Turn it right or left to adjust intensity.

Reading Lamps: Press the reading light lens to turn on/off.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Windshield Wipers/Washer



The windshield wipers/washer controls are located on the multifunction lever on the left side of the steering wheel.

 **(Mist):** For a single wipe, twist the band on the multifunction stalk down to this position and release.

 **(Off):** Twist the band to this position to turn off the wipers.

 **(Delay):** Twist the band up to set the delay time (the top of the band equals a shorter delay).

 **(Low):** Twist the band up to this position for low-speed wipers.

 **(High):** Twist the band up to this position for high-speed wipers.

 **(Washer):** To spray washer fluid, turn the paddle at the top of the multifunction lever forward and release. There will be a slight delay before the wipers are activated. This is normal and allows the washer to clean the entire windshield.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Cruise Control

The cruise control buttons, located on the steering wheel, include the following functions:

 **(On/Off):** Press this button to turn the cruise control system on or off.

– SET (Set): Press this button to set a speed, or to decrease the set speed when the system is active. When the cruise control is set, the cruise light will illuminate on the instrument panel cluster.

+ RES (Resume/Accelerate): Press this button to resume a set speed, or to increase the set speed when the system is active.

 **(Cancel):** Press this button to cancel the set speed. The set speed will remain in memory. Applying the brakes will also cancel the set speed.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.



Universal Home Remote (if equipped)

The Universal Home Remote is a combined universal transmitter and receiver that can activate up to three devices, such as garage door openers, entry door locks, gates and security systems.

It's recommended that you read the instructions in your Owner Manual completely before attempting to program any of the three channels on the Universal Home Remote. The engine should be turned off when programming the remote.

Note: Do not use the Universal Home Remote with any garage door opener that does not have the "stop and reverse" feature or any opener manufactured before April 1, 1982.

See Section 2 of your Owner Manual.

Vehicle Enhancements

Trunk Access

Press the  (Trunk) button on the Remote Keyless Entry transmitter.



To unlock the trunk from inside the vehicle, press and hold the top of the driver's or

front passenger's power door lock switch for approximately two seconds. The vehicle must be in Park to unlock the trunk.

See Section 2 of your Owner Manual.

Rear Seat Trunk Pass-Through (if equipped)

To fold down one/both sides of the rear seatback to gain trunk access or haul longer cargo, pull forward on the seatback tab on the outboard of the rear seat and fold the seatback down.



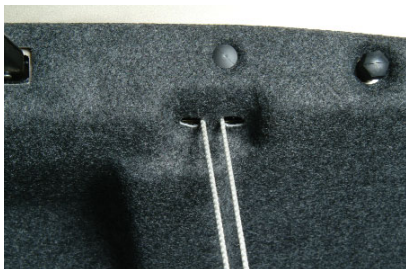
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Deck (Trunk) Lid Pull-Down Handle



A convenient handle is located in the top-inside edge of the deck lid. Use the handle to easily pull down the deck lid when closing it.

Deck (Trunk) Lid Tie-Down



Use the deck lid tie-down to secure the deck lid when carrying oversize cargo that prevents the deck lid from closing completely. Observe all applicable safety precautions.

See Section 2 of your Owner Manual.

Cupholders

On five-passenger models, the center console has a cupholder in its front section. A two-position arm adjusts to hold the cup securely.



On six-passenger models, a cupholder is located inside the armrest/center storage console. Turn the bottom of the armrest/console outward to access the cupholder.

The rear seat armrest also has a cupholder.

See Section 2 of your Owner Manual.

Sun Visors

Swing down the visors and slide them along the rod to cover different areas of the front window, or move them to cover the side windows.

See Section 2 of your Owner Manual.

OnStar® and Owner Manual Shelf

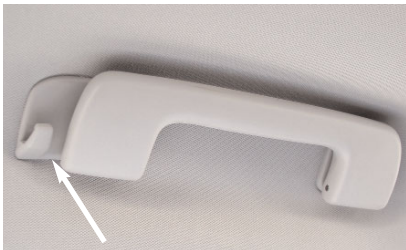


A shelf is located at the top of the glove box to store the OnStar Owner's Guide and your Owner Manual.

See Section 2 of your Owner Manual.

Hanging Garments

Use the rear assist handle or coat hook to secure clothing on hangers for transport.



Accessory Power Outlets

Your vehicle is equipped with 12-volt power outlets. One is located on the center console below the climate controls. The second outlet is located inside the center storage console. On six-passenger models, the second outlet is located in the flip/fold console. Use them to power cellular phones, CB radios, etc. See your Owner Manual for full safety and warranty cautions.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

PERFORMANCE & MAINTENANCE

Opening the Vehicle Hood



Pull the hood release handle located under the driver's side of the instrument panel.

Under the leading edge of the hood itself, push the secondary hood release handle up and to the right. Lift the hood.

See Section 5 of your Owner Manual.

Passenger Compartment Air Filter

The filter is located in the engine compartment below the air inlet grille, near the passenger-side wiper arm. It traps most of the pollen from the air that enters the air conditioning module. See your Owner Manual for scheduled maintenance and replacement instructions.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Antilock Brake System

The Antilock Brake System (ABS) helps prevent a braking skid. The ABS warning light illuminates briefly when the engine is started. Momentary motor or clicking noises and slight brake pedal movement are normal as the system checks itself when reaching speeds of approximately 3 to 5 mph.

See Section 4 of your Owner Manual.

Ultrasonic Rear Parking Assist (if equipped)

Ultrasonic Rear Parking Assist (URPA) detects objects up to 5 feet (1.5 m) behind the vehicle when the shift lever is in the Reverse position and vehicle speed is less than 3 mph (5 km/h). Three color-coded lights inside the vehicle, above the rear window, provide distance and system information to the driver.

See Section 2 of your Owner Manual.

Traction Control System

The Traction Control System (TCS) limits wheelspin. TCS activates when it senses one or both front wheels spinning or losing traction. Then the system reduces engine power and may upshift the transaxle to limit wheelspin. It is normal to hear or feel the system working. TCS is always enabled unless you disable it manually to rock the vehicle free from sand, mud or snow.

To disable TCS, press the  (Traction Control) button on the instrument panel. The TCS warning light will come on. Press the button again to turn TCS on.

See Section 4 of your Owner Manual.

StabiliTrak® – Stability Control System (if equipped)

StabiliTrak is a computer-controlled system that detects and corrects differences between the path you have chosen and the vehicle's actual direction by applying brake pressure individually at the appropriate wheel. When the system activates, STABILITY CONTROL ACTIVE displays on the Driver Information Center.

See Section 4 of your Owner Manual.

Automatic Transaxle Shift Lock

If the battery fails and it is necessary to move the vehicle, the Automatic Transaxle Shift Lock can be disabled to allow the transaxle to be shifted out of Park. Turn the ignition key to ACC position, and shift the transaxle into Neutral. With the car in Neutral, the vehicle can be pushed out of a confined area.

See Sections 2 and 5 of your Owner Manual.

Acoustic Laminate Glass

Special windshield and front door window glass composition reduces wind and road noise. If replacement is necessary, see your dealer or specify *acoustic laminate* glass from the supplier. Failure to do so can result in added wind and outside noise in the cabin.

Resetting the Oil Life System

The Oil Life System calculates engine oil life based on vehicle use and displays CHANGE OIL SOON in the Driver Information Center (DIC) when it's necessary to change your engine oil and filter. The Oil Life System should be reset to 100% only following an oil change.

To reset the Oil Life System:

1. Turn on the ignition, with the engine off.
2. Press the **i** (Option) button until the DIC displays ENGINE OIL MONITOR.
3. Press the **↵** (Set/Reset) button. The next screen indicates the system has been reset.
4. Turn off the ignition.

See Section 5 of your Owner Manual.

OWNER INFORMATION

Roadside Assistance

1-800-252-1112

TTY Users: 1-888-889-2438

As the proud owner of a new Buick vehicle, you are automatically enrolled in the Buick Roadside Assistance program. This value-added service is intended to provide you with peace of mind as you drive in the city or travel the open road.

Buick's Roadside Assistance toll-free number is staffed by a team of technically trained advisors who are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The advisors can provide minor repair information or make arrangements to tow your vehicle to the nearest Buick dealer.

Buick will provide the following services for 5 years/100,000 miles at no expense to you:

- Fuel delivery
- Lockout service (identification required)
- Tow to nearest dealership for warranty service
- Flat tire assistance
- Jump starts

In many instances, mechanical failures are covered under Buick's comprehensive warranty. However, when other services are utilized, our advisors will explain any payment obligations you might incur.

For prompt and efficient assistance when calling, please provide the following information to the advisor:

- Location of the vehicle
- Telephone number and your location
- Vehicle model, year and color
- Vehicle mileage
- Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)
- Vehicle license plate number

Buick reserves the right to limit services or reimbursement to an owner or driver when, in Buick's judgment, the claims become excessive in frequency or type of occurrence.

Roadside Assistance and OnStar (if equipped)

If you have a current OnStar subscription, press the OnStar button and the vehicle will send your current GPS location to an OnStar Advisor who will speak to you, assess your problem, contact Roadside Assistance and relay your exact location so you will get the help you need.

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