



GETTING TO KNOW YOUR **2020 MALIBU**



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Review this Quick Reference Guide for an overview of some important features in your Chevrolet Malibu. Some optional equipment described in this guide may not be included in your vehicle. More information can be found in your Owner's Manual and at my.chevrolet.com/learn. For easy reference, keep this guide with your Owner's Manual in your glove box.

Certain restrictions, precautions, and safety procedures apply to your vehicle.
Please read your Owner's Manual for complete instructions.



INSTRUMENT PANEL



SYMBOLS

	Low Fuel		StabiliTrak Off		Lights On Reminder
	Traction Control Off		Security		Airbag Readiness
	BRAKE Brake System		Electric Parking Brake		Engine Oil Pressure
	Cruise Control		Service Electric Parking Brake		Check Engine
	StabiliTrak Active				Lane Keep Assist

Driver's Heated/
Ventilated Seat
Buttons◆

Infotainment
System Touch
Screen◆

Hazard
Warning
Flashers
Button

Passenger's
Heated/
Ventilated Seat
Buttons◆



Electronic Range
Select Mode
Control

Traction Control/
Rear Park Assist◆/
Auto Parking
Assist◆ Buttons

USB Port/
Accessory
Power Outlet

Automatic
Climate
Controls◆



Vehicle Ahead



Door Ajar



Pedestrian Ahead



Charging System



Antilock Brake System



Driver Seat Belt
Reminder



Low Tire Pressure



Passenger Seat Belt
Reminder

Refer to your Owner's Manual to learn about the information being relayed by the lights, gauges and indicators on the instrument cluster.

See In Brief in your Owner's Manual.

REMOTE KEYLESS ENTRY TRANSMITTER



Lock

Press to lock all doors.



Unlock

Press to unlock the driver's door.

Press again to unlock all doors.



Trunk

Press twice quickly to open the trunk.



Vehicle Locator/Panic Alarm

Press and release to locate your vehicle.

The exterior lamps flash and the horn chirps 3 times.

Press and hold to activate the alarm.

Press again to cancel the alarm.



Remote Vehicle Start[†]

Press and release the Lock button and then press and hold the button until the turn signal lamps flash to start the engine from outside the vehicle. After entering the vehicle, turn on the ignition.

- During a remote start, the engine will run for 15 minutes.
- Press and hold the button until the parking lamps turn off to cancel a remote start.

On hybrid models, the engine will start only if needed for warming the cabin or for high-voltage battery charging.

Note: To change the remote lock, unlock, and remote start settings, go to Settings > Vehicle > Remote Lock, Unlock, Start.

See Keys, Doors and Windows in your Owner's Manual.

KEYLESS ACCESS SYSTEM

The Keyless Access System enables operation of the doors and trunk without removing the Remote Keyless Entry transmitter from a pocket or purse. The transmitter must be within 3 feet of a front door or within 3 feet of the trunk.

KEYLESS UNLOCKING

With the transmitter within range:

- ▶ Press the button on the driver's door handle to unlock the driver's door; press it again within 5 seconds to unlock all doors.
- ▶ Press the button on the front passenger's door handle to unlock all doors.
- ▶ Press the touchpad above the license plate to open the trunk.

KEYLESS LOCKING

With the ignition off, the transmitter out of the vehicle, and all doors closed:

- ▶ Press the button on either front door handle to lock all doors immediately.
- ▶ If Passive Locking is turned on, all doors will lock automatically after a short delay once all doors are closed.

Note: To change the door lock and unlock settings, go to Settings > Vehicle > Remote Lock, Unlock, Start.



KEYLESS (PUSHBUTTON) START

The Remote Keyless Entry (RKE) transmitter must be in the vehicle to turn on the ignition.

STARTING THE ENGINE

- ▶ With the transmission in Park or Neutral, press the brake pedal and then press the **ENGINE START/STOP** button. The button indicator will be green.



On hybrid models, the illuminated  Vehicle Ready light indicates the vehicle is ready to drive.

Note: If the RKE transmitter battery is weak, place the transmitter in the pocket in the center console to enable the engine to start. Replace the transmitter battery as soon as possible.

STOPPING THE ENGINE/OFF

- ▶ Shift to Park and press the **ENGINE START/STOP** button.

ACCESSORY MODE

- ▶ With the engine off and the brake pedal not depressed, press the **ENGINE START/STOP** button. The button indicator will be amber.

See Driving and Operating in your Owner's Manual.

AUTO ENGINE STOP/START OPERATION (NON-HYBRID MODEL)

A fuel-saving stop/start system has been integrated with the 1.5L four-cylinder engine. While driving, when the brake is applied and the vehicle is at a complete stop, the automatic engine stop/start system may turn off the engine, referred to as an Auto Stop. In Auto Stop mode, the tachometer gauge will read AUTO STOP. The audio system, climate controls and other accessories will continue to operate. Upon releasing the brake pedal or applying the accelerator pedal, the engine will restart. After parking the vehicle and turning off the engine, the tachometer gauge will read OFF.

The engine may remain running or restart when the vehicle is stopped if:

- A minimum vehicle speed is not reached.
- The engine or transmission is not at the required operating temperature.
- The outside temperature is not in the required operating range.
- The shift lever is in any gear other than Drive (D).
- The battery charge is low.
- The climate control system requires the engine to run based on the current settings.
- The Auto Stop has reached the maximum allowed time.

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DRIVER INFORMATION CENTER (DIC)

The DIC on the instrument cluster displays a variety of vehicle system information and warning messages.

DIC CONTROLS

Use the controls on the right side of the steering wheel to select the Trip/Fuel, Vehicle, and Eco menus (base DIC) or the Info (includes trip and fuel information), Audio, Navigation, Phone, and Options menus (up-level DIC)*.

- ▶ Press the ◀ or ▶ button to move between the display zones.
- ▶ Press the ▲ or ▼ button to move through the menus.
- ▶ Press the ✓ button to open a menu or select a setting.



Up-level DIC shown

RESET AN ITEM

1. Use the controls to display the desired item.
2. Press the ✓ button to reset or clear the item.

See Instruments and Controls in your Owner's Manual.

AUDIO STEERING WHEEL CONTROLS

Push to Talk

Press to answer an incoming call or to use natural voice recognition with the Bluetooth or OnStar® system.

Press and hold to activate Bluetooth Voice Recognition/Siri Eyes Free on a paired, compatible cell phone.

End Call/Mute

Press to end or decline a call.

Press to mute/unmute the speakers.

+ - Volume

(behind right side of steering wheel)

Press the top or bottom button to adjust the volume.

▲▼ Next/Previous Favorite Station

(behind left side of steering wheel)

Press the top or bottom button to go to the next or previous favorite radio station or track.



Next/Previous Favorite Station button shown

See your Infotainment System Manual.

INFOTAINMENT SYSTEM

Refer to your Owner's Manual for important information about using the infotainment system while driving.



Applications◆
Touch a screen icon to access an application

Home page

SEEK
Previous radio station or track

Power/Volume

SEEK
Next radio station or track

<BACK
Move back one level in the menu

8-inch* color screen◆ shown

The infotainment system uses a Bluetooth or USB connection to link to a compatible device, such as a smartphone or portable audio player/iPod®, and offers hands-free voice control. You can tap, drag, swipe and use other simple gestures on the touch screen to interact with the system. For assistance, contact Customer Assistance at 1-855-4-SUPPORT (1-855-478-7767) or visit my.chevrolet.com/learn.

STORING FAVORITES

Radio stations from all bands (AM, FM or SiriusXM◆) can be stored in any order.

1. Tune in the desired radio station.
2. Select the desired page of favorite screen buttons.
3. Touch and hold one of the favorite screen buttons until a beep is heard.
4. Repeat the steps to store another favorite station.

See your Infotainment System Manual.

INFOTAINMENT SYSTEM

NATURAL VOICE RECOGNITION

Control the music source and make phone calls hands-free (after pairing your Bluetooth-enabled phone) using the natural voice recognition system.

1. Press the  **Push to Talk** button on the steering wheel.
2. The radio will play a prompt.
3. After the prompt, say what you want it to do using natural speech. Examples: “Call Amanda” or “Tune to 99.5 FM.” Say “Help” for assistance.

APPS

In-vehicle apps – connecting to music, news, weather, travel information, sports, entertainment and more – are available for download to the infotainment system through the Apps icon on the Home page. Downloading and using the apps requires internet connectivity and may require a data plan, accessed through the vehicle’s 4G LTE Wi-Fi hotspot, if active, or a mobile device hotspot.

APPLE CARPLAY

Apple CarPlay capability is available through a compatible smartphone using the Apple CarPlay icon on the Home page of the infotainment system. No app is required.

1. Connect your compatible phone by plugging the Lightning cable into a USB data port. Use your device’s factory-provided Lightning cable. Aftermarket cables may not work.
2. The Apple CarPlay icon will illuminate. Touch the Apple CarPlay icon to have your apps displayed.

ANDROID AUTO

Android Auto capability is available through a compatible smartphone using the Android Auto icon on the Home page of the infotainment system.

1. Download the Android Auto app to your phone from the Google Play Store.
2. Connect your compatible phone by plugging the phone USB cable into a USB data port. Use your device’s factory-provided USB cable. Aftermarket cables may not work.
3. The Android Auto icon will illuminate. Touch the Android Auto icon to have your apps displayed.

PORTABLE AUDIO DEVICES

An iPod®, iPhone®, MP3 Player, a USB flash drive or a portable USB hard drive can be connected to a USB data port located at the front of the center console.

- ▶ Touch the Audio icon and then touch USB from the sources list or touch More to view the USB option.

See your Infotainment System Manual.



BLUETOOTH® SYSTEM

Refer to your Owner's Manual for important information about using the Bluetooth system while driving.

Before using a Bluetooth-enabled device in the vehicle, it must be paired with the in-vehicle Bluetooth system. The pairing process is disabled when the vehicle is moving. Not all devices will support all functions. Visit my.chevrolet.com/learn for more information.

PAIR A PHONE

1. To use voice recognition, press the  **Push to Talk** button; after the prompt, say "Pair phone," or use the Phone button or touch the Phone icon and then select Connect Phones > Add Phone.
2. Start the pairing process on the phone. From your phone's Bluetooth settings, select the name shown on the infotainment screen.
3. Follow the pairing instructions.
4. When pairing is complete, the phone screen is displayed on the infotainment system. Depending on the phone, the phone book is downloaded automatically.



SECONDARY PHONE

A secondary phone can be paired to the Bluetooth system. The system connects to the phone that is set to First to Connect. The secondary phone can only receive calls.

- ▶ To set the first and secondary phones, go to Settings > System > Phones and select the Information icon next to the phone name.

STREAMING AUDIO

- ▶ With a paired device connected via Bluetooth, select the Audio icon and then touch Bluetooth from the sources list or touch More to view the Bluetooth option.

See your Infotainment System Manual.

4G LTE WI-FI® HOTSPOT

With the vehicle's available 4G LTE Wi-Fi hotspot, up to 7 devices (smartphones, tablets and laptops) can be connected to high-speed internet.

- ▶ To retrieve the SSID and password for the hotspot, select the Wi-Fi Hotspot icon or go to Settings > System > Wi-Fi Hotspot.

Note: For more information on use and system limitations, visit my.chevrolet.com/learn.

See your Infotainment System Manual.

TEEN DRIVER◆

Teen Driver allows multiple keys to be registered for beginning drivers. When active, the system mutes the audio of the radio or any device paired with the vehicle if front seat occupants aren't wearing their seat belts. It also provides audible and visual warnings when the vehicle is traveling over predetermined speeds. An in-vehicle Report Card is produced at the end of every driving cycle with data about driving behavior.

When the vehicle is started with a registered key, a Driver Information Center message displays that Teen Driver is active.

- ▶ To create a Personal Identification Number, register a key, change Teen Driver settings, or access the Report Card, go to Settings > Vehicle > Teen Driver.

See your Infotainment System Manual.

WIRELESS CHARGING◆

The Wireless Charging system for smartphones is located in a pocket below the armrest of the center console. To check device compatibility, visit my.chevrolet.com/learn. See your phone retailer for details on required phone accessories.

1. The vehicle must be on, or Retained Accessory Power must be active.
2. Remove all objects from the charging pocket.
3. Place the smartphone in the pocket with the screen facing the rear of the vehicle.
4. The ⚡ symbol will display on the infotainment screen when the smartphone is charging.



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VEHICLE CUSTOMIZATION

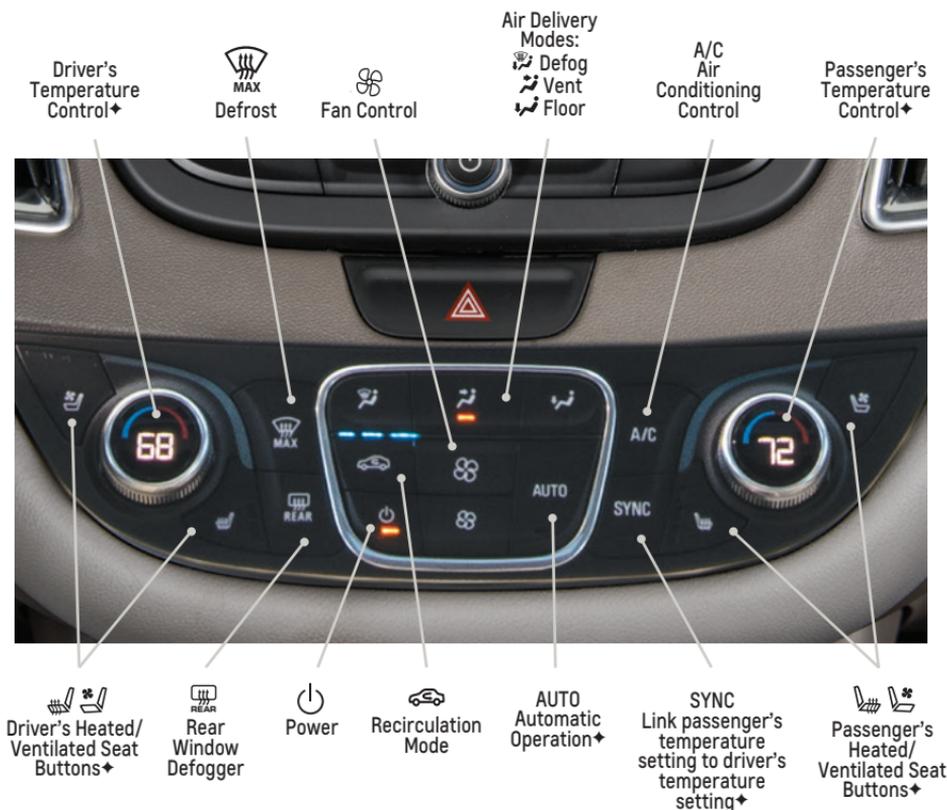
Some vehicle features can be customized using the Settings menus and the infotainment screen icons. The Settings menus include System, Apps, and Vehicle.

1. Select Settings on the Home page.
2. Select the desired menu tab.
3. Select the desired feature and setting.
4. Press < to exit each menu.



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AUTOMATIC CLIMATE CONTROLS ♦



AUTOMATIC OPERATION ♦

- ▶ Press **AUTO**.
- ▶ Set the temperature.

The system automatically controls the fan speed, air delivery, air conditioning and recirculation to reach the set temperature. Allow time for the system to reach the desired temperature. If a function is manually adjusted, the Auto indicator turns off and automatic operation for that function is disabled.

See Climate Controls in your Owner's Manual.

CRUISE CONTROL

SETTING CRUISE CONTROL

1. Press the  **On/Off** button. The Cruise Control symbol will illuminate in white on the instrument cluster.
2. When traveling at the desired speed, press the **SET-** button to set the speed. The symbol will illuminate in green on the instrument cluster.



ADJUSTING CRUISE CONTROL

RES+ Resume/Accelerate

Press the **RES+** button to resume a set speed. When the system is active, press the button to increase speed.

SET- Set/Coast

When the system is active, press the **SET-** button to decrease speed.

Cancel

Press to cancel the Cruise Control without erasing the set speed from memory. Pressing the brake pedal also will cancel the Cruise Control.

ADAPTIVE CRUISE CONTROL-ADVANCED⁺

The system enhances regular cruise control to maintain a following gap – the time between your vehicle and a vehicle detected directly ahead – by accelerating or braking automatically while you continue to steer.

- ▶ Press the  **Following Gap** button to select a gap setting of Far, Medium or Near. This is also the Forward Collision Alert⁺ setting.
- ▶ Press and hold the  **Cancel** button to switch between  regular Cruise Control and  Adaptive Cruise Control-Advanced.

See Driving and Operating in your Owner's Manual.

DRIVER ASSISTANCE SYSTEMS

Safety or driver assistance features are no substitute for the driver's responsibility to operate the vehicle in a safe manner. The driver should remain attentive to traffic, surroundings and road conditions at all times. Read your Owner's Manual for important feature limitations and information.

REAR CROSS TRAFFIC ALERT⁺ – When the vehicle is in Reverse, the system warns of cross-traffic approaching in either direction by displaying a red triangle with directional arrow alert on the infotainment screen and beeps sound.

REAR PARK ASSIST⁺ – During low-speed parking maneuvers, the system provides “distance to object” information on the Driver Information Center. A beep sounds when an object is detected and 5 beeps sound when an object is very close.

- ▶ To turn Rear Park Assist and Rear Cross Traffic Alert on or off, press the  **Rear Park Assist** button on the center console.

DRIVER ASSISTANCE SYSTEMS

REAR VISION CAMERA – When the vehicle is in Reverse, a view of the area behind the vehicle displays on the infotainment screen. Vehicle speed must be below 8 mph.

TRACTION CONTROL – The full-time traction control system limits wheelspin in difficult driving conditions. The system turns on automatically every time the vehicle is started. Turn off traction control if the vehicle is stuck and rocking the vehicle is required.

- ▶ To turn traction control on or off, press the  **Traction Control** button on the center console.

LANE CHANGE ALERT WITH SIDE BLIND ZONE ALERT – While driving, the system displays a  warning symbol on the left or right side mirror when a vehicle is detected in that side blind zone area or rapidly approaching that area. The warning symbol flashes if a turn signal is activated when a vehicle has been detected on the same side.

- ▶ To turn on or off, go to Settings > Vehicle > Collision/Detection Systems > Lane Change Alert.

LANE KEEP ASSIST WITH LANE DEPARTURE WARNING – The system may help you avoid collisions due to unintentional lane departures. The  Lane Keep Assist Indicator is green on the instrument cluster if the system is available to assist. If the vehicle approaches a detected lane marking without using a turn signal in that direction, the system may assist by gently turning the steering wheel and displaying an amber . If active driver steering is not detected, the amber  may flash and 3 beeps may sound on the side of the departure direction as the lane marking is crossed. The Lane Keep Assist system does not continuously steer the vehicle; the driver needs to steer and be in complete control of the vehicle.

- ▶ To turn on or off, press the  **Lane Keep Assist** button on the steering wheel.

FORWARD COLLISION ALERT – The  Vehicle Ahead Indicator is green on the instrument cluster when a vehicle is detected and is amber when following a vehicle ahead much too closely. When approaching a detected vehicle directly ahead too rapidly, a red alert flashes on the windshield and rapid beeps sound.

- ▶ Press the  **Collision Alert** button on the steering wheel to set the alert timing to Far, Medium, or Near. The setting is displayed on the Driver Information Center.

ENHANCED AUTOMATIC EMERGENCY BRAKING – In detected potential imminent collision situations with vehicles directly ahead, the system can provide alerts and enhance driver braking or apply the brakes, if you have not already done so, to help reduce the severity or help avoid collisions at very low speeds.

- ▶ To set Enhanced Automatic Emergency Braking and Forward Collision Alert to Alert and Brake, Alert, or Off, go to Settings > Vehicle > Collision/Detection Systems > Forward Collision System.

FRONT PEDESTRIAN BRAKING – During daytime driving, the system can detect pedestrians directly ahead up to a distance of approximately 131 feet and displays an amber  indicator. When approaching a detected pedestrian too quickly, a red alert flashes on the windshield and rapid beeps sound. The system may enhance driver braking or automatically brake the vehicle, if you have not already done so.

- ▶ To set the system to Alert and Brake, Alert, or Off, go to Settings > Vehicle > Collision/Detection Systems > Front Pedestrian Detection.

HYBRID OVERVIEW (IF EQUIPPED)

The Malibu Hybrid has an electric drive unit integrated with the highly efficient 1.8-liter four-cylinder engine. This blending of electric and gasoline propulsion maximizes fuel economy. The system continuously adjusts the operation of the engine, high-powered electric drive unit and trunk-mounted lithium-ion battery to provide outstanding performance while using significantly less fuel than a conventionally powered vehicle.

HYBRID OPERATION

While driving, the gasoline engine will seamlessly turn on when necessary to provide power. It will turn off when not needed to save fuel.

The engine may remain running while driving when:

- Accelerating or driving up hills.
- Vehicle speed is greater than 55 mph (88 kph).
- Charging the high-voltage battery.
- Cabin warming is requested based on the climate control settings.

The engine and electric drive unit work together to provide the required propulsion power at the highest efficiency. This may result in higher engine speeds than expected.

See Driving and Operating in your Owner's Manual.

HYBRID FEATURES

VEHICLE STARTING

- ▶ With the vehicle in Park or Neutral, press the brake pedal and then press the **ENGINE START/STOP** button.

The  Vehicle Ready indicator will illuminate when the vehicle is ready to be driven. The engine will start only if required to charge the high-voltage battery or to warm the cabin. In temperatures below 32°F/0°C, the engine start will be delayed while the hybrid system is initializing. The "Initializing – Wait To Shift" message will be displayed on the Driver Information Center. Wait to shift the vehicle from Park until the message is no longer displayed and the Vehicle Ready indicator is illuminated.

REGENERATIVE BRAKING

Regenerative braking captures some of the kinetic energy from the moving vehicle and stores it in the high-voltage battery, contributing to increased energy efficiency. Braking less aggressively allows for more energy recovery.

See Driving and Operating in your Owner's Manual.

HYBRID FEATURES

HYBRID LOW GEAR

Operating in Low Gear provides the ability to slow without using the brakes. Vehicle operation during acceleration and cruising is not changed.

L2 (Low 2) – increased regenerative braking as the accelerator pedal is released.

L1 (Low 1) – maximum regenerative braking to slow the vehicle.

L (Low) – should be used when descending steep grades or in stop-and-go traffic.

See Driving and Operating in your Owner's Manual.

HYBRID DISPLAYS

Power Gauge – When accelerating or driving, the Power gauge on the instrument cluster shows the amount of power provided by the propulsion system to propel the vehicle. When coasting or braking, it shows the amount of power provided by the regenerative braking system or the conventional brakes to slow the vehicle. Operating the vehicle close to the zero power position during acceleration and braking will result in higher efficiency.

Efficiency Gauge – The Efficiency gauge on the instrument cluster is a guide to driving in an efficient manner. Keeping the indicator in the center of the gauge indicates higher efficiency.

Drive Cycle Info – This screen on the Driver Information Center (DIC) displays the distance traveled and average fuel economy for the current trip. The screen also is shown when the vehicle is turned off, displaying the information for the completed trip.

Total Power – This DIC screen provides a numeric representation of the total power being used to propel or stop the vehicle. It shows the power being provided by the high-voltage battery or charging the high-voltage battery as well as the power provided by the engine.

EV Operation – This DIC screen displays a bar that moves from left to right as the driver requests more power from the propulsion system. While in electric vehicle (EV) mode, maintaining the bar in the green zone maximizes electric operation.

Power Flow – This display on the infotainment screen indicates the current hybrid operating mode, the energy flow direction and the high-voltage battery charge level. The operating modes include Engine Power, Battery Power, Hybrid Power, and Regen Power Recovery.

Consumption History – This display on the infotainment screen shows the average fuel economy in 5-mile increments over the last 50 miles.

See Instruments and Controls in your Owner's Manual.

CLIMATE CONTROL SETTINGS

The climate control settings affect the efficiency of the vehicle. To maximize efficiency in warm weather, operate the climate controls in the Automatic mode at the highest comfortable temperature setting or turn off the air conditioning system when climate conditions allow.

See Climate Controls in your Owner's Manual.

ROADSIDE ASSISTANCE

1-800-CHEV-USA (1-800-243-8872)

TTY Users: 1-888-889-2438

As the owner of a new Chevrolet, you are automatically enrolled in the Chevrolet Roadside Assistance program for up to 5 years/60,000 miles, whichever occurs first, at no expense to you. Chevrolet's Roadside Assistance toll-free number is staffed by a team of trained advisors who are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to contact a service provider for light services (fuel delivery, jump-starts, flat tire and lock-outs) or make arrangements to tow your vehicle to the nearest Chevrolet dealer for any repairs.

OnStar Roadside Assistance

If you have a current OnStar Safety & Security plan, push the blue **OnStar** button or red **Emergency** button to get the help you need. An OnStar advisor will use GPS technology to pinpoint your vehicle location and contact the nearest service provider.

To learn more about OnStar services, press the blue **OnStar** button, visit onstar.com, call 1-888-4-ONSTAR (1-888-466-7827), or refer to your Owner's Manual.

MYCHEVROLET MOBILE APP

Download the myChevrolet app to your compatible smartphone (or device) and, if your vehicle is properly equipped, you can start or turn off your engine, lock or unlock your doors, view key diagnostic information, set parking information and more.

The app is available on select Apple and Android devices. Service availability, features and functionality vary by vehicle, device and data plan. Device data connection required. Visit onstar.com for more details. Download the mobile app from your compatible mobile device's app store.

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