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Introduction

Your Acura Navigation System is a highly-sophisticated location system that uses satellites and a map database to show you where you are and to help guide you to a desired destination.

The Navigation System receives signals from the Global Positioning System, a network of 24 satellites in orbit around the earth. By receiving signals from several of these satellites, the Navigation System can determine the latitude and longitude of your car.

In addition, a gyroscopic sensor and a speed sensor in your car keep track of the direction and speed of travel at all times.

The Navigation System applies this location, direction, and speed information to the maps and calculates a route to the destination you enter. As you drive to that destination, the System provides guidance.

The Navigation System is easy to use. The locations of many places of business and entertainment are already entered in the system. You can select any of them as a destination by pressing only one or two of the controls.

If a desired destination is not in the system's database, you can enter its address and the system will direct you to it. This destination can be saved for reuse at a later date.

As you drive, the Navigation System provides visual and audio driving instructions so you do not have to take your eyes off the road. These instructions are provided in advance of the actual driving maneuver so you have time to slow down and change lanes if necessary.

Read this manual thoroughly so you are familiar with all the Navigation System's features. Afterwards, keep this manual in the glove box of your vehicle so you can refer to it any time.

Important Safety Information

The Navigation System can distract your attention from the road if you focus on the screen or operate the system's controls while driving.

You should always enter information into the system before you begin driving. Then, as you drive, you can listen to the audio instructions or glance at the screen.

⚠ WARNING

Operating the Navigation System controls while you are driving can take your attention away from the road, causing a crash in which you could be seriously injured or killed.

Enter information into the system only when your car is stopped.

The Navigation System is designed to provide route information to help you reach your destination. However, this route guidance may sometimes conflict with road conditions such as street closures, road construction, and detours.

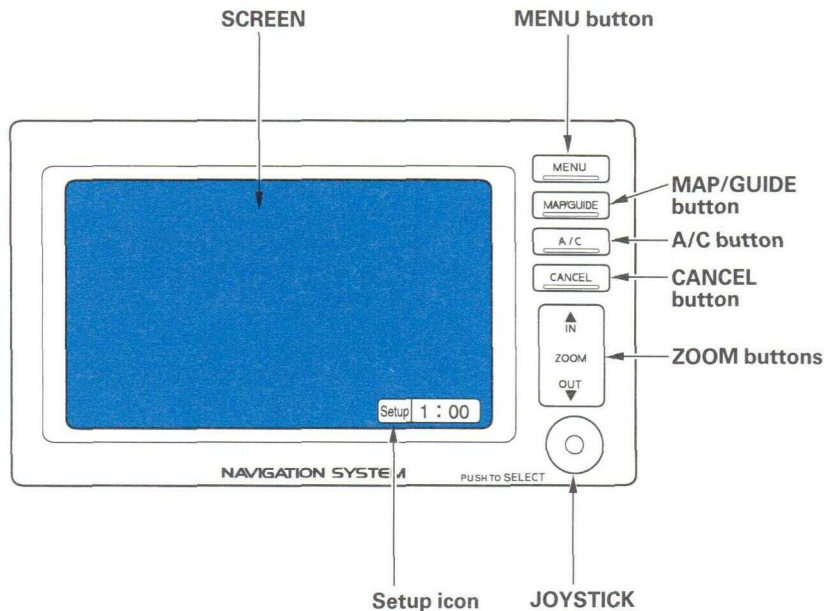
Additionally, the system itself has certain limitations (see page 66). Therefore, you must verify the audio and visual route information provided by the system by carefully observing the roadway, signs and signals, etc. If you are unsure, proceed with caution. Always use your own good judgment, and obey traffic laws while driving.

System Controls

Screen

All selections and instructions are displayed on the screen. In addition, the display is a "touch screen" — you can enter information into the system by touching images on the screen with your finger. For example, when you need to enter a street name, a keyboard will be displayed. You can "type in" the street name by touching the individual characters on the screen.

Clean the screen with a soft, damp cloth. You may use a mild cleaner intended for eyeglasses or computer screens. Harsher chemicals may damage the screen.



MENU button

Pressing this button changes the display from the current instructions to a menu.

MAP/GUIDE button

Pressing this button switches the display between a map and the guidance screen. See page 46.

CANCEL button

Pressing this button cancels the current display and returns to the previous screen display.

ZOOM buttons

When you are displaying a map, these buttons allow you to change the scale. ZOOM IN reduces the scale, showing less area with greater detail. ZOOM OUT increases the scale, showing more area with less detail. Refer to page 46.

SETUP icon

Pressing this icon displays a menu of system options. See page 60.

JOYSTICK

The joystick moves left, right, up, and down. Use the joystick to move the highlighting around the display, to scroll through a list, or to look around a displayed map. After making a selection in a menu or list, push in on the joystick to enter the selection into the system.

In almost all cases, you can enter a selection into the system by pushing on the joystick, or by touching the appropriate image on the screen.

A/C button

Pressing this button displays an air conditioning control panel screen. You can adjust the air conditioning system manually from this screen.

System Start-up

When you turn the ignition switch to ON (II), it takes several seconds before the Navigation System turns on the display.

The first display is the Acura Navigation System Logo. This remains for several seconds, then changes to display the disclaimer shown on the right. Read this disclaimer carefully so you understand it.

To use the system, either push in on the Joystick, or touch the "OK" box on the screen. The Main Menu will come on the display.

If you do not press the joystick or touch "OK", the screen will go dark after 30 seconds. If you are not planning to use the Navigation System at this time, touch the SHUT DOWN box on the display. To return to the disclaimer, press any button.

This system provides route information to help you reach your destination.

Due to road conditions some recommendations may not be appropriate.

Always obey all traffic laws and exercise your own good judgement.

For safety, program the system while the car is stopped.

See your Owner's Manual for complete instructions.

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Touching the time display while the screen is dark enlarges the time display. Touch the time display again to return it to its normal size.

If you leave the ignition switch in Accessory (I) or ON (II) without starting the engine, and do not perform any operations on the system, it will automatically turn off after five minutes.

If you are entering information into the system, it will not turn off in five minutes. This allows you to enter in a destination before starting the engine and driving away.