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TECHNOLOGY REFERENCE GUIDE

The Technology Reference Guide is designed to help you get acquainted with your new Honda and provide basic instructions on some of its technology and convenience features.

This guide is not intended as a substitute for the Owner's Manual. For complete information on vehicle controls and operation, please refer to the respective sections in the Owner's Manual.

As with the Owner's Manual, this guide covers all trim levels of the Ridgeline. Therefore, you may find descriptions of equipment and features that are not on your particular vehicle.

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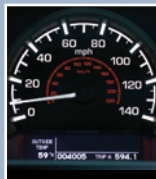
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AUTO DOOR LOCKS

Default Lock/Unlock Setting

Default Lock Setting

All doors are preset to lock when your vehicle reaches about 10 mph.



Default Unlock Setting

Only the driver's door is preset to unlock when you shift into Park (P).



Programmable Auto Door Lock/Unlock Settings

Below are the different programmable options you can choose. See *Auto Door Locking/Unlocking* in your owner's manual for instructions on programming these settings.

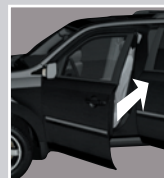
AUTO DOOR LOCK		AUTO DOOR UNLOCK	
Auto Lock	 When you reach 10 mph	 When you turn the ignition OFF	 When you shift into Park
Turn off Auto Lock	 Operate manually	 When you turn the ignition OFF	 When you shift into Park
Turn off Auto Unlock	 Operate manually	 When you turn the ignition OFF	 When you shift into Park

Program how and when the vehicle doors automatically lock and unlock.

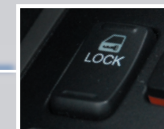
Modifying the Auto Door Unlock Setting

To program all doors to unlock when you shift to Park:

1. **Close** the driver's door. **Shift** into Park.



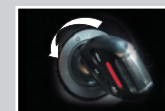
3. **Press and hold** the unlock side of the master lock switch for about 10 seconds. In that time, you will hear three clicks.



2. **Turn** the ignition switch to ON (II).

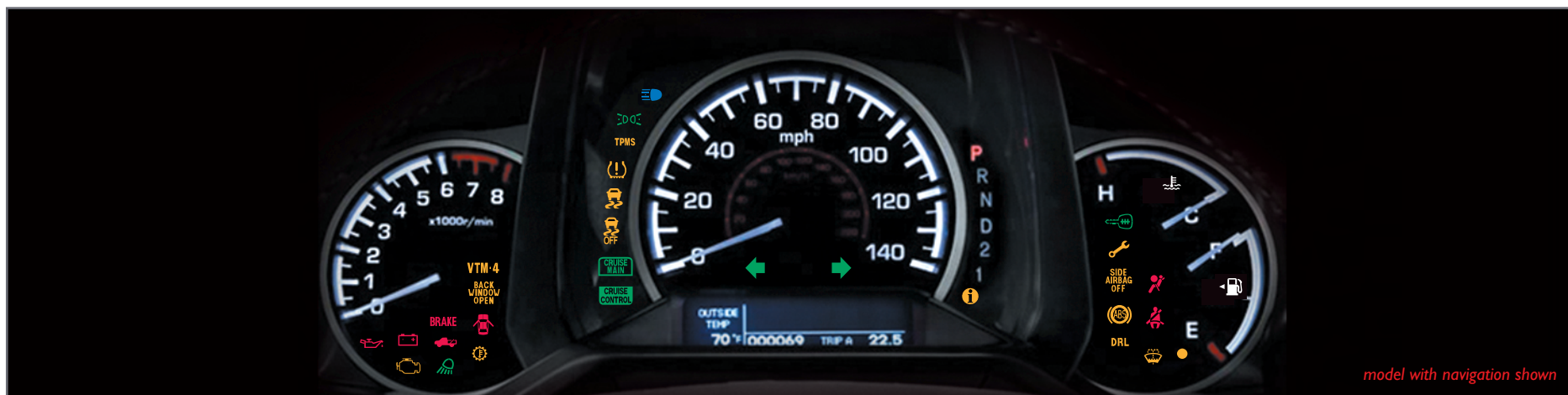


4. Within 20 seconds, **turn** the ignition switch to LOCK (0).













INSTRUMENT PANEL INDICATORS

Briefly appear with each engine start. Red and amber indicators are most critical. Blue and green indicators are used for general information.



Malfunction Indicators

If an indicator remains on, there may be a problem; see your dealer

 Charging system	 ABS (anti-lock brake system)
 Low brake fluid	 VTM-4 (variable torque management 4WD)
 Low oil pressure	 Malfunction lamp (check engine light)
 SRS (supplemental restraint system)	 VSA® (vehicle stability assist)
 DRL (daytime running lights)	 TPMS* (tire pressure monitoring system)

*models without navigation only



Low tire pressure:
Add air



Maintenance Minder:
Make dealer appointment



Washer Level (if equipped):
Add fluid



A/T Temperature:
Pull over and let engine idle



VTM-4 (blinks):
Pull over and let engine idle









Message indicator*:
Press Info button

*models with navigation only

Condition Indicators

Action is needed by driver

 Parking brake on: Release	 Seat belt reminder: Fasten seat belt(s)
 Door/Tailgate open: Close door(s)/tailgate	 Back window open: Close back window
 In-Bed Trunk open: Close trunk	 Low fuel: Refill

On/Off Indicators



PASSENGER AIRBAG **OFF**
(located on center panel)



Bed lights **on**



SIDE AIRBAG **OFF**



Immobilizer
Flashes: improperly coded key;
use correct key



VSA **OFF**



Headlights **on**



CRUISE MAIN **on**



Turn signals/hazards **on**



CRUISE CONTROL **on**



High beams **on**

INFORMATION DISPLAY (models without navigation)

Consists of several displays that provide you with useful information.

Accessing the Information Display



When you start the engine, the display shows your last active selection from the previous drive cycle.



To toggle between the different displays, **press and release SELECT** repeatedly.

Press TRIP/RESET to switch between Trip A and B readings.

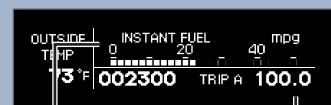
MULTI-INFORMATION DISPLAY (MID) (models with navigation)

Displays various information and messages to help you maintain your vehicle.

Accessing the Multi-Information Display



When you start the engine, the MID shows your last active selection from the previous drive cycle.



Upper display

Lower display

To toggle between the different displays:

- **Press** either Info button for the upper display.
- **Press SEL/RESET** for the lower display, to switch from Trip A to Trip B on the upper display, or to access sub-displays.



Information Displays

Outside temperature, Odometer, Trip meter



Outside temperature, Instant and average MPG, Trip meter



Oil life



Outside temperature, Instant MPG, Fuel range, Trip meter



MID Lower Displays

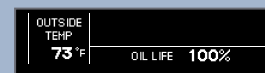
Odometer, Trip A



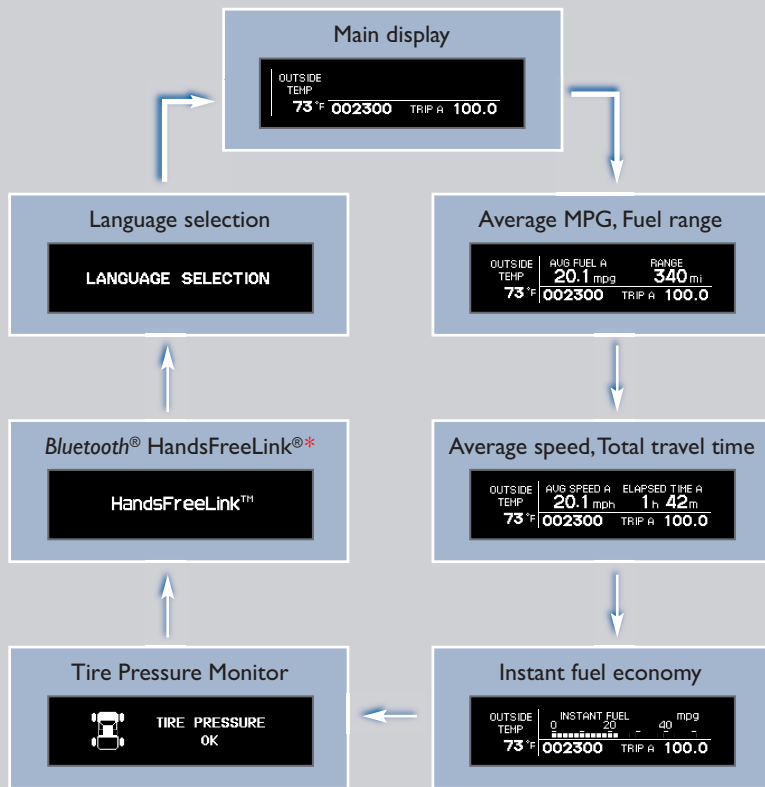
Odometer, Trip B



Oil life



MID Upper Displays



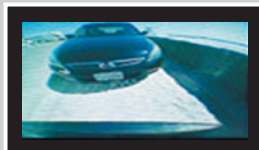
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REARVIEW CAMERA (models with navigation)

For added convenience, the area behind your vehicle is displayed to help you navigate while backing up.

How It Works

- When you shift into Reverse (R), a real-time image of the area behind your vehicle is shown in the navigation display.
- The display turns off when you shift out of Reverse.



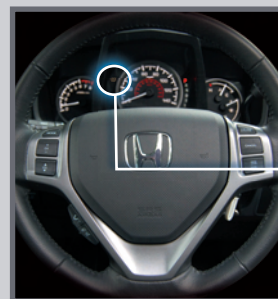
TIRE PRESSURE MONITORING SYSTEM (TPMS)

Monitors the vehicle's tire pressures.

How It Works



Each tire valve stem contains a TPMS sensor.



When the tire pressure drops significantly below recommended levels, the low tire pressure indicator comes on.

NOTE: On vehicles with MID, a message also appears on the display.

TPMS

If the TPMS indicator* appears, there may be a problem with the system. See your dealer.

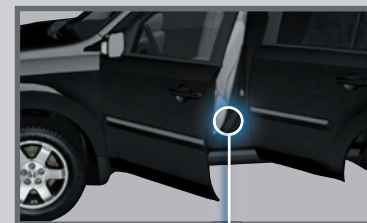
*on models without MID

What to Do

1. **Visually inspect** the tires for damage.
2. **Use** a tire air pressure gauge (or check the MID) to check which tire(s) have low pressure.



3. **Inflate** the tire(s), if necessary, to the recommended pressures listed on the label on the driver's doorjamb.



VOICE RECOGNITION (models with navigation)

To keep your eyes on the road and hands on the wheel, use voice commands for hands-free calling, navigation, audio, and climate control. For a full list of commands, say "Information" and "Voice Command Help."

Key Functions by Voice Command

Control four different systems with the steering wheel buttons and the ceiling microphone.

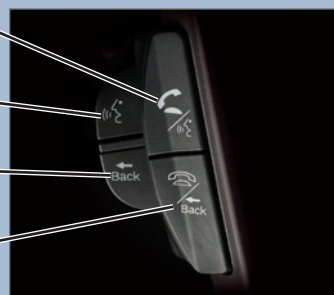


HFL Talk button: Give HFL commands or answer incoming calls.

Navi Talk button: Give navigation, audio, and climate control commands.

Navi Back button: Cancel a command or return to the previous screen.

HFL Back button: End a call, go back to the previous command, or cancel an operation.



Voice Command Tips

- **Press and release** the HFL or Navi Talk button, wait for a beep, then give a command.
- For a list of available HFL commands, **press and release** the HFL Talk button and say "Hands-free help."
- For a list of available navigation commands, **press and release** the Navi Talk button and say "Help."
- Speak in a clear, natural voice.
- Reduce all background noise.
- Adjust the dashboard and side vents away from the microphone in the ceiling.
- Close the windows.

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Commonly Used Voice Commands

Here are some examples of commonly used voice commands. Try some of these to familiarize yourself with the voice command system.

Press and release the NaviTalk button before you give a command.

Locate Points of Interest

Say a command like “Display restaurant” to see restaurant icons appear on the map.



Say a command like “Display gas stations” to see gas station icons appear on the map.



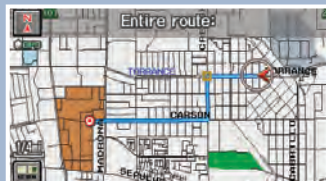
Press and release the NaviTalk button before you give a command.

Get Navigation Route Information

After a destination is entered, **say** “How far to the destination?” to hear the remaining distance.



Say “Display entire route” to see the routing method the system mapped for your destination.



Press and release the NaviTalk button before you give a command.

Make Audio Selections

Say a command like “Radio 97.1 FM” to select that station.



Say a command like “CD play track 1” to hear that song on a currently inserted CD.



Press and release the NaviTalk button before you give a command.

Adjust the Vehicle's Climate Setting

Say a command like “Air conditioner on” to start the air conditioning system.



Say a command like “Fan speed 4” to adjust the fan speed.



Commonly Used Voice Commands (continued)

Here are some examples of commonly used voice commands. Try some of these to familiarize yourself with the voice command system.

Press and release the NaviTalk button before you give a command.

General Commands

(Accepted on most screens to change displays)

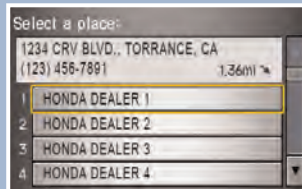
- Display map
- Display menu
- Information
- Display audio screen
- What time is it?



Find Place Commands

(Accepted on Map screen)

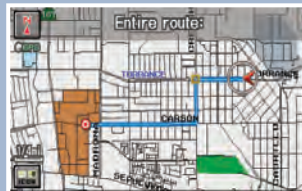
- Find nearest:
 - ATM
 - gas station
 - Mexican restaurant
 - post office
 - Honda dealer
 - airport
 - hospital
 - bank



Navigation Commands

(Accepted on Map screen)

- How long/far to the destination?
- Display destination map
- Display entire route



Display Commands

(Accepted on Map screen)

- Display (or hide):
 - ATM
 - gas station
 - restaurant
 - post office
- Display north up/heading up
- Zoom in/out
- Go home
- Display current location

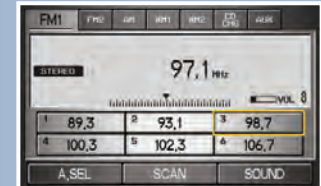


Press and release the NaviTalk button before you give a command.

Audio Commands

(Accepted on most screens)

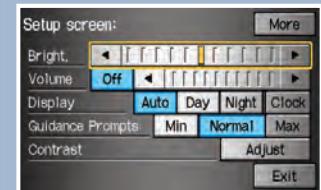
- Radio on
- Radio # FM/AM
- Radio preset 1/2/3/4/5/6
- XM channel #
- XM preset 1/2/3/4/5/6
- CD play
- CD play track #
- CD skip forward/back
- Auxiliary (AUX) play



Setup Commands

(Accepted on Setup screen)

- Brightness up/down
- Volume up/down/min/max/off
- Guidance prompts min/max/normal



Climate Control Commands

(Accepted on most screens)

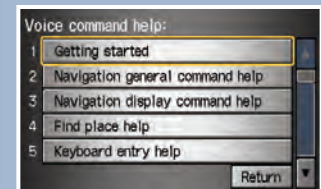
- Air conditioner on/off
- Rear defrost on/off
- Climate control recirculate/fresh air
- Fan speed up/down
- Temperature # degrees (# = 57-87)
- Temperature max hot/cold



Help Commands

(Accepted on most screens)

- Help (list of available commands for current screen)
- Voice command help (from INFO screen - list of all available navigation, audio, and climate control commands)



NAVIGATION (if equipped)

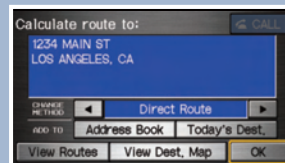
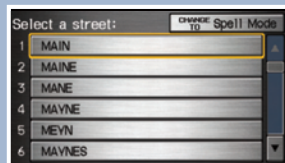
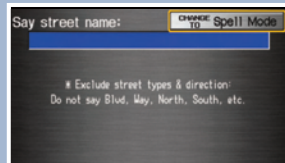
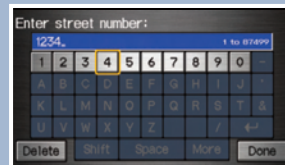
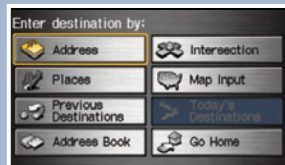
Real-time navigation system uses GPS and a map database to show your current location and help guide you to a desired destination.

Entering a Destination Using Voice Commands

Set a destination using a street address. For other destination options, see your Navigation Manual.

Press and release the Navi Talk button before you give a command.

1. Say "Display menu."
Say "Address."
2. Say "Street," then say the street name on the following screen. Do not include the direction (N, S, E, W) or type (St., Ave., Blvd., etc.).
3. A list of street names appears. Say the number next to the street you want to select.
4. Say the entire street address number. For example, "1-2-3-4." If necessary, say "Done" to proceed.
5. If the street address is in more than one city, a list of city names appears. Say the number next to the city you want to select.
6. The system displays the "Calculate route to" screen. Say "OK" to set the route.

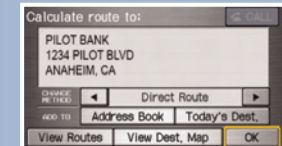


Using the Find Nearest Command

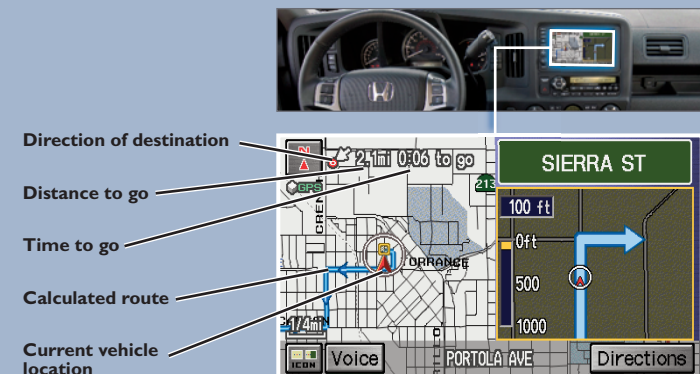
Find a nearby point of interest, such as a gas station, movie theater, restaurant, etc.

Press and release the Navi Talk button before you give a command.

1. From the map screen, say "Find nearest ATM."
2. A list of the nearest ATMs in your area is displayed by shortest distance to destination.
3. Say the number next to the destination you want to select.
4. The system displays the "Calculate route to" screen. Say "OK" to set the route.



Map Screen Legend



BLUETOOTH® HANDSFREELINK® (models with navigation)

Place and receive phone calls through your vehicle's audio system. Visit handsfreelink.honda.com to check if your phone is compatible with the system.

Pairing Your Phone



HFL Talk button: Give HFL commands or answer incoming calls.

HFL Back button: End a call, go back to the previous command, or cancel an operation.

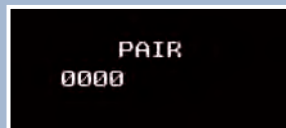


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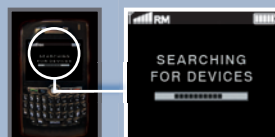
1. **Enable** "Discovery" or "Search" mode on your compatible phone.
2. **Say** "Phone setup," then say "Pair."



3. HFL gives you a four-digit code that appears on the MID.



4. **Search** for HandsFreeLink from your phone, and **enter** the code when prompted. **Connect** to HFL.



5. HFL asks you to name the phone. For example, say "Mary's phone." The phone is now added.



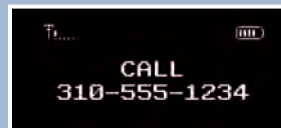
Making a Call

Press and release the HFL Talk button before you give a command.

1. **Press** the HFL Talk button.
3. **Say** "Call" or "Dial" to continue.



2. **Say** "Call" or "Dial" and the desired phone number.

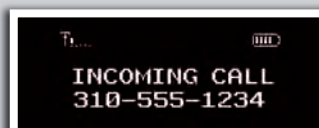


4. The call is connected and heard through the vehicle's speakers.



Receiving a Call

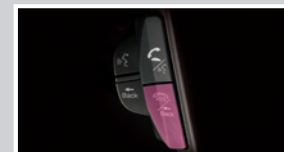
1. A notification is heard and the incoming phone number appears on the MID.



2. **Press** the HFL Talk button to accept the call.



3. **Press** the HFL Back button to end or decline the call.

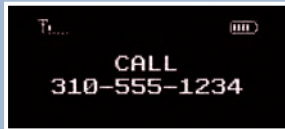
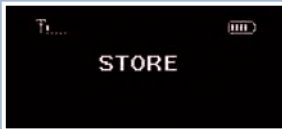


HFL Phonebook

Store up to 50 names and their phone numbers, which can be used as speed dials.

Press and release the HFL Talk button before you give a command.

1. Say "Phonebook."
2. Say "Store."
3. Say the name of the contact, and then the phone number.
4. To call a contact once an entry is stored, say "Call Mike."

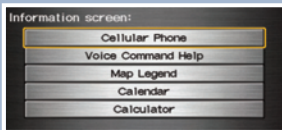


Cellular Phonebook*

Import your entire cell phone's address book to the navigation system.

Press and release the NaviTalk button before you give a command.

1. Say "Display Information." Say "Cellular Phone."
2. Say "Import Cellular Phonebook."
3. HFL begins to import your contacts to the system.
4. To call a contact, say "Search Imported Phonebook" and select the name and number.

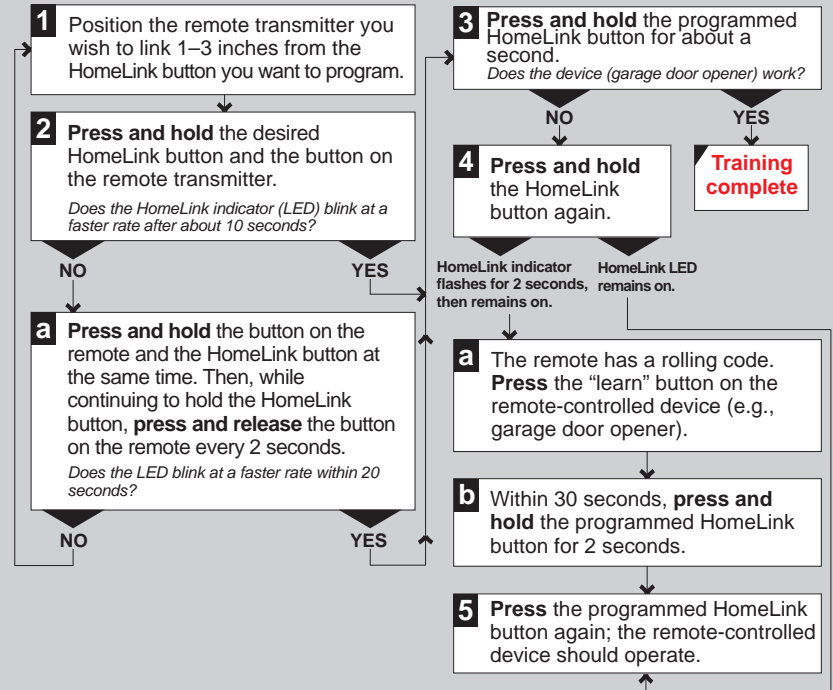
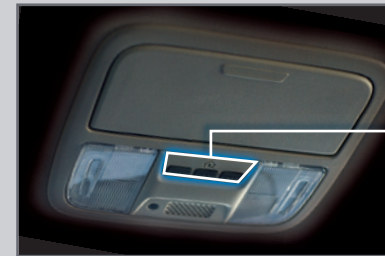


*not available on all phones

HOMELINK® (if equipped)

The HomeLink Universal Transceiver can be programmed to operate up to three remote-controlled devices around your home, such as garage doors, lighting, or home security systems.

Training a Button



If you have any problems programming HomeLink, see the owner's manual included with the device you are trying to program, call HomeLink at (800) 355-3515, or visit www.homelink.com.

OWNER LINK

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Important Information
★★★★★
The Accord Sedan earned a 5-star safety rating in each combined category based on the latest government standards.

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SAFETY REMINDER

Your vehicle is equipped with airbags. Airbags do not replace seat belts; they add to the protection offered by seat belts. Airbags can help protect you in some types of collisions, but they do not provide protection in all collisions.

Always make sure you and your passengers wear seat belts, and that young children are properly secured in a child seat or booster in the rear seat. Never place an infant seat in the front passenger's seat as the force of a deploying airbag can seriously injure an infant.

FUEL RECOMMENDATION

- Only use unleaded gasoline of 87 octane or higher.
- Some gasoline in North America contains MMT, a manganese-based fuel additive. Prolonged and consistent use of gasoline containing MMT can deteriorate your vehicle's performance, fuel economy, and the emission control system. Always use MMT-free gasoline if available. Failures caused by use of gasoline containing MMT may not be covered under warranty.
- "TOP TIER Detergent Gasoline" meets a new gasoline standard jointly established by leading automotive manufacturers to meet the needs of today's advanced engines. In most cases, qualifying gasoline retailers will identify their gasoline as having met "TOP TIER Detergent Gasoline" standards at the retail location. This fuel is guaranteed to contain the proper level of detergent additives and be free of metallic additives. This helps avoid build-up of deposits in your engine and emission control system. Because the level of detergency and harmful metallic additives (such as MMT) in gasoline vary in the market, Honda endorses the use of "TOP TIER Detergent Gasoline" where available to help maintain the performance and reliability of your vehicle. For more information, visit www.toptiergas.com.
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