This Advanced Technology Guide is designed to help you get acquainted with your new Acura RDX with Technology Package and provide basic instructions on some of its technology and convenience features.

This guide is not intended to be a substitute for the Owner’s Manual. For more detailed information on vehicle controls and operation, please refer to the respective sections in the Owner’s or Navigation Manual.

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**KEYLESS ACCESS SYSTEM**

Operate certain functions of your vehicle by simply having the remote transmitter within operating range.

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**Unlocking the Doors**

Grab either one of the front door handles when the vehicle is off.

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**Locking the Doors**

Press the door lock button on either front door handle when the vehicle is off.

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**Opening the Tailgate**

Press the tailgate release button under the tailgate handle when all doors are unlocked. The vehicle can be on or off.

See page 13 for more information on opening the tailgate.

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**Engine Start/Stop Button**

**Accessory or On Mode**

Operate audio or other electrical features without turning the engine on.

Press ENGINE START/STOP once without pressing the brake pedal to turn on Accessory mode. Press it again for On mode.

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**Starting the Engine**

Press and hold the brake pedal, then press ENGINE START/STOP.

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**Turning the Vehicle Off**

Shift to Park, then press ENGINE START/STOP.

**Note:** If you press ENGINE START/STOP when the vehicle is stopped and the shift lever is not in Park, the vehicle goes into Accessory mode.
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. See your Owner’s Manual for more information.

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

- Charging system
- Low brake fluid
- Low oil pressure
- Supplemental Restraint System (SRS)
- Anti-lock Brake System (ABS)
- Keyless Access System

- AWD
- Malfunction lamp (check engine light)
- Vehicle Stability Assist® system (VSA)
- Tire Pressure Monitoring System (TPMS) (blinks and stays on)
- Brake system
- Electric Power Steering system (EPS)

Door/tailgate open:
Close door/tailgate

Immobilizer (blinks):
Use other vehicle key and see your dealer

Low tire pressure (stays on):
Add air

On/Off Indicators

- PASSENGER AIRBAG OFF
- SIDE AIRBAG OFF
- VSA OFF
- CRUISE MAIN on
- CRUISE CONTROL on

- Fog lights on
- Exterior lights on
- Turn signals/hazards on
- High beams on

Condition Indicators
Action is needed by driver.

- Parking brake on:
  Release
- Seat belt reminder:
  Fasten seat belt(s)
- Message indicator:
  See MID
- Low fuel:
  Refill

*if equipped
MULTI-INFORMATION DISPLAY (MID)

Consists of several displays that provide you with useful information.

Accessing the MID

When you start the engine, the MID shows the last active lower display from the previous drive cycle.

Main Displays

- Instant fuel economy A
- Average speed A
- Range
- Elapsed time A
- Tire pressure monitor
- Oil life
- Customize settings
- Main display

To toggle between the different displays:
- Press either Info button (▲/▼) for the main displays.
- Press SEL/RESET for the lower displays.

Lower Displays

- Outside temperature, Odometer
- Outside temperature, Trip A
- Outside temperature, Trip B
Customizing Settings Using the MID

Program various vehicle settings using the MID. One example is shown below. See your Owner’s Manual for other customizable settings.

Programming the Auto Door Unlock Setting

Only the driver’s door is preset to unlock when you shift into Park (P). You can change this to a different setting.

1. Select DOOR SETUP.

2. Select AUTO DOOR UNLOCK.

3. Select the option you want.

4. The setting is displayed, and the display returns to the AUTO DOOR UNLOCK menu.

Press either Info button (▲/▼) on the steering wheel to toggle to the Customize Settings display, then press SEL/RESET to activate the menu.

Press either Info button (▲/▼) to exit the menu.

Note: The driver’s and front passenger’s doors can be opened by pulling the inner front door handle, regardless of the setting. Changing the setting to “All Doors” is useful for rear passengers and opening the power tailgate.

Tire Pressure Monitoring System

Alerts you when one or more of your tires have significantly low pressure. Toggle to the tire pressure monitor display to view pressure readings on the MID.

How It Works

If the tire pressure drops significantly below recommended levels:
• The low tire pressure indicator comes on.
• A “CHECK TIRE PRESSURE” message appears on the MID, showing which tire(s) have low pressure.

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.
DRIVING POSITION MEMORY SYSTEM (DPMS)

Store up to two driver’s seat and mirror positions into memory for each corresponding remote transmitter (1 or 2).

Programming the DPMS

1. Turn the vehicle on. Shift into Park (P).
2. Adjust the seat and outside mirrors to your preferred positions.
3. Press SET. You will hear a beep.
4. Within 5 seconds, press the memory button corresponding to the remote (1 or 2) you are using. You will hear two beeps.

Notes:
- Once set, stored positions can be recalled by pressing one of the memory buttons (1 or 2) on the door.
- Lumbar position cannot be stored.

MULTI-VIEW REAR CAMERA

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.
- Yellow parking guidelines also appear to help you judge distance.
- The rearview display turns off when you shift out of Reverse.

Adjusting the View

Turning the Guidelines On or Off

Press and hold CANCEL for about 3 seconds. If the guidelines are turned off, they remain off until turned on again.

Switching Views

There are three rearview modes: wide, normal, and top down.
- Press ENTER to toggle between views.
- Rotate the Interface Dial to adjust the screen brightness.

REVERSE TILT DOOR MIRRORS

When you shift into Reverse (R), either door mirror can be tilted downward to improve your view as you parallel park. Shifting out of Reverse returns the tilted mirror to its original position.

How It Works

- To tilt the driver’s door mirror, push the mirror selector switch to the left (L) position when in Reverse.
- To tilt the passenger’s door mirror, push the mirror selector switch to the right (R) position when in Reverse.
- To turn the feature off, push the switch to the middle position.
ONE-TOUCH TURN SIGNAL
Use this quick and convenient method to signal a lane change.

**How It Works**
- Lightly push the turn signal lever up or down for a three-blink sequence.
- For a continuous signal, push the lever up or down until it locks into place.

AUTO HEADLIGHTS WITH WIPER INTEGRATION
For your convenience, your vehicle’s headlights automatically turn on when the windshield wipers operate.

**How It Works**
- Make sure your headlights are in the AUTO position.
- Turn on your windshield wipers. The headlights also turn on.
- When you turn off the windshield wipers, the headlights turn off shortly after.

POWER TAILGATE
There are multiple methods to operate the power tailgate.

**Opening the Power Tailgate from Inside the Vehicle**
The vehicle must be in Park (P) with all doors unlocked.
- Press and hold the tailgate button until a beep sounds. The tailgate begins to open.
- To close the tailgate, press the button again at any time.

**Opening the Power Tailgate Using the Remote Transmitter**
The vehicle must be off with the remote in operating range.
- In **ANYTIME mode**: Press and hold the tailgate button for about one second to unlock and open the tailgate.
- In **WHEN UNLOCKED mode**: Press the unlock button twice to unlock all doors and the tailgate. Then press and hold the tailgate button for about one second.

Use the MID to set the power tailgate keyless open mode to your preference. See your Owner’s Manual for instructions, or see page 8 for an example of how to change a setting.
VOICE RECOGNITION

To keep your eyes on the road and hands on the wheel, use the Talk button to say voice commands to operate certain vehicle features.

Functions by Voice Command

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

To reduce the potential for driver distraction, certain manual functions may be inoperable or grayed out while the vehicle is moving. Voice commands are always available.

Voice Command Tips

• When using the Talk button, wait for a beep, then say a command. To bypass the system prompts, simply press the Talk button again to say your command.
• To turn off the system prompts: Press INFO, select Setup, select Other, select Basic Settings, and select OFF for Voice Recognition Tutor.
• When the Talk button is pressed, all available voice commands are highlighted in blue.
• Speak in a clear, natural voice, and reduce all background noise.
• Adjust the dashboard and side vents away from the microphone in the ceiling, and close the windows.
• To hear a list of available commands at any time, press and release the Talk button, then say “Help.” For a list of full commands by category, say “Display information” followed by “Voice Info,” or see your Navigation Manual.
Here are some examples of commonly used voice commands. Try some of these to familiarize yourself with the voice command system.

**Commonly Used Voice Commands**

Press and release the Talk button before you say a command.

### General Commands
[Accepted on most screens to change display]
- Display map
- Display destination
- Display Information
- Display audio
- What time is it?

### Find Place Commands
[Accepted on Map screen]
- Find nearest:
  - ATM
  - gas station
  - Mexican restaurant
  - post office
  - bank
  - Acura dealer
  - airport
  - hospital

### 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

### Navigation Commands
[Accepted on Map screen after a destination is entered]
- How long/far to the destination?
- Display destination
- Display entire route

### Help Commands
[Accepted on most screens]
- Help (list of available commands for current screen)
- Voice command help (from the INFO screen - list of all available navigation, audio, and climate control commands)

### 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
- DISC play
- DISC play track #
- DISC skip forward/back
- iPod/USB/HDD/Pandora play

### 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

### Phone Commands
[Accepted on Cellular Phone screen]
- Call history
- Phonebook
- Dial
- Text message
- Redial
- Phone setup
- Dial by voice tag
- Dial by number

### Traffic Commands
[Accepted on Map screen]
- Display traffic
- Display traffic speeds
- Display traffic icons
- Display traffic incidents/list

### Weather Commands
[Accepted on map screen]
- Display weather
- Display weather icons
- Display weather warning icons

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**NAVIGATION**

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 Talk button before you say a command.

1. Say “Display destination.”
   Say “Address.”

2. Say “Street,” then say the street name on the next 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.

4. Say the entire street address number. For example, “1-2-3-4.” If necessary, say “OK” 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.

**Note:** It is recommended that you enter your destination before driving or when the vehicle is stopped.

### Using the “Find Nearest” Command

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

Press and release the Talk button before you say 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

- **Direction of destination**
- **Distance to go**
- **Time to go**
- **Calculated route**
- **Current vehicle location**
- **Not on a digitized road**
**AcuraLink Real-Time Traffic™**

Provides continuously updated information, including traffic speed, incidents, and construction in major metro areas.

Press and release the Talk button before you say a command.

**Displaying Traffic Information**
Say “Display traffic” to view traffic flow and icons.

*Heavy traffic*
*Moderate traffic*
*Free-flow traffic*

**Incident Icons**
- Incident
- Road closed
- Congestion
- Weather
- Construction

**Traffic Rerouting™**
When a destination is set, you can create a detour to avoid traffic incidents or congestion.

1. Say “Display traffic list” to view a list of incidents on your route.
2. Say the number of the incident you want to avoid. When the incident appears, say “Traffic detail.”
3. Say “Avoid.”
4. Say “Reroute” to set the new route.

**Note:** Traffic flow and incident icons are only displayed on map scales of 5 miles (8 km) or less.

**Displaying Traffic Information**
Say “Display traffic” to view traffic flow and icons.

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**AcuraLink Real-Time Weather™**

Provides continuously updated weather conditions, warnings, and forecasts in major metro areas.

Press and release the Talk button before you say a command.

**Displaying Weather Icons**
Say “Display weather” to view weather icons for each city.

*Weather Icons*
- Clear
- Fog
- Partly Cloudy
- Rain
- Cloudy
- Snow

**Weather Icons**
Note: Weather icons are available on all map scales.

**Displaying Weather Information**
Say “Display information,” then “Weather info” for the following options:

**Weather Forecast**
Say “Weather forecast” to view a 1-day or 3-day forecast of your current position or city vicinity.

**Weather Warning List**
Say “Warning list sorted by distance” to view a list of all U.S. weather warnings by distance.

**Weather Warning Map**
Say “Warning map” to view color-coded severe weather systems.

**Radar Image Map**
Say “Radar map” to view color-coded rain or snow systems.

**Weather Forecast**

**Weather Warning List**

**Weather Warning Map**

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**Bluetooth® HandsFreeLink®**

Make and receive phone calls through your vehicle’s audio system. Visit www.acura.com/handsfreelink to check if your phone is compatible.

*To reduce the potential for driver distraction, certain manual functions may be inoperable or grayed out while the vehicle is moving. Voice commands are always available.*

**Using HFL**

- **Pick-Up button**: Answer an incoming call, or go directly to the Cellular Phone screen.
- **Hang-Up button**: End a call or decline a call.
- **Talk button**: Give HFL commands.
- **Back button**: Cancel a command and return to the previous screen.

**Pairing Your Phone**

Use this pairing method if no phone has ever been paired to the system. You can pair your phone only when the vehicle is stopped.

Press and release the Talk button before you say a command.

1. Press the Pick-Up button to go to the Cellular Phone screen. A prompt appears. Say “Yes.”
2. Make sure your phone is in discovery mode, and say “OK.”
3. HFL searches for your phone. Say the number next to the phone when it appears on the list.
4. HFL gives you a four-digit code. Enter it on your phone when prompted. Say “OK” to complete.
5. Make sure your phone is in discovery mode, and say “OK.”
6. HFL searches for your phone. Say the number next to the phone when it appears on the list.
7. HFL gives you a four-digit code. Enter it on your phone when prompted. Say “OK” to complete.

If your phone does not appear:
- Say “Phone Not Found” and search for HandsFreeLink from your phone. Connect to HFL.
- Say “Phone setup.”
- Say “Connection.”
- Say “Add New Phone.”
- If a prompt appears asking to connect to a phone, say “No.”

If your phone does not appear:
- Say “Phone Not Found” and search for HandsFreeLink from your phone. Connect to HFL.
- If your phone does not appear:
- Say “Phone Not Found” and search for HandsFreeLink from your phone. Connect to HFL.
Making a Call

Dialing a Number*

Press and release the Talk button before you say a command.

1. Press the Pick-Up button to go to the Cellular Phone screen.
2. Say “Dial.”
3. Say the entire phone number.
4. Say “Dial” to begin the call.

Using the Imported Phonebook*

Press and release the Talk button before you say a command.

1. Press the Pick-Up button to go to the Cellular Phone screen.
2. Say “Phonebook.”
3. Say “Up” or “Down” to find the name you want to call.
4. Say the number next to the entry to begin the call.

Using Speed Dial and Voice Tags

Press and release the Talk button before you say a command.

1. Press the Pick-Up button to go to the Cellular Phone screen.
2. Say the number next to one of the first three entries (for example, “One”). For the complete list of speed dial entries, say “More speed dial.”
3. The call is connected and heard through the speakers.

Note: See your Navigation Manual for instructions on storing speed dial entries and voice tags.

Receiving a Call

When you receive an incoming call, you hear a notification and see the following pop-up message:

Press the Pick-Up button to accept the call.

Press the Hang-Up button to end or decline the call.

*Manual operation is limited while the vehicle is moving. Voice commands are always available.
**SMS TEXT MESSAGING**

Receive and send text messages from your paired and linked phone using Bluetooth® HandsFreeLink®. Visit [www.acura.com/handsfreelink](http://www.acura.com/handsfreelink) to see if this feature is compatible on your phone. Standard message rates apply. This feature is limited while the vehicle is moving.

### Receiving Text Messages

Press and release the Talk button before you say a command.

1. A notification appears on the navigation screen when you receive a text message.
2. Say “Read” to open the message. The message is displayed, and the system reads it aloud.

### Replying to Text Messages

Press and release the Talk button before you say a command.

1. With the message open, say “Reply.”
2. Say the number next to one of the six available reply messages.
3. Say “Send” to send the message.
4. A notification appears after the message is sent.

### Displaying All Messages

Press and release the Talk button before you say a command.

1. Press the Pick-Up button to go to the Cellular Phone menu.
2. Say “Text Message.” The 20 most recent text messages from your phone are displayed.
3. Say the number next to the message you want. The message is displayed, and the system reads it aloud.

### Calling the Sender

Press and release the Talk button before you say a command.

1. With the message open, say “Call.”
2. HFL begins dialing the number.
ACURALINK® MESSAGES

Acura periodically sends you messages on vehicle features, recall and safety information, maintenance reminders, and diagnostic information.

Viewing New Messages

1. When you receive a new message, an envelope icon appears on the map screen.

2. Say “Messages,” and a list of messages appears.

3. Say the number of the message you want to hear.

Scheduling a Dealer Appointment

To use this feature, you must register at owners.acura.com, and make sure your compatible phone is paired and correctly set up (see page 22).

1. Using the Interface Dial, open a maintenance or diagnostic message.

2. Select Schedule Dealer Appt.

3. The system searches for the next available appointment at your dealer. Select Confirm Appointment if you are satisfied with the date.

4. Select OK to set the appointment.

BLUETOOTH® AUDIO

Play audio files from your compatible phone through your vehicle’s audio system. Visit www.acura.com/handsfreelink to check if this feature is compatible with your phone.

Playing Bluetooth Audio

1. Make sure your phone is on and paired to Bluetooth® HandsFreeLink® (see page 22).

2. Press HDD/AUX until Bluetooth Audio appears.

3. From your phone, open the desired audio player or app and begin playback. Sound is redirected to the audio system.

Make sure the volume on your phone is properly adjusted.

Notes:
- You may need to enable additional Bluetooth settings on your phone for playback.
- Remote audio controls and the play/pause function may not be supported on all phones.
- Operate your phone only when your vehicle is stopped.
**HARD DISC DRIVE (HDD) AUDIO**

Record CDs onto your vehicle’s hard disc drive. Songs are automatically recorded once a CD is inserted into the disc slot.

### Playing HDD Audio

1. Press HDD/AUX until HDD appears.
2. The first song of the last recorded album plays. Press (.isFile) (File) or (+) (-) to change tracks.

### Searching for Music

1. From the audio screen, push the interface dial up to select MUSIC SEARCH.
2. Select one of the categories.
3. Select a track and press ENTER to begin playing.

### iPod® or USB FLASH DRIVE

Play audio files from your compatible iPod or USB flash drive through your vehicle’s audio system.

### Connecting Devices and Playing Audio

1. Open the front console, and pull out the USB adapter cable.
2. Press HDD/AUX until iPod or USB appears.
3. Press (.isFile) (File) or (+) (-) to change tracks.

**Note:** Connect your device only when your vehicle is stopped.

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S O N G  B Y  V O I C E™ (SBV)

Play songs from your iPod® and HDD from most screens using simple voice commands.

**Playing Audio Files Using Voice Commands**

**Using the “Play” Command**

Press and release the Talk button before you say a command.

Say “iPod search” or “HDD search.”

Say “Play” and one of the options on the Search Mode screen. For example, say “Play Artist XYZ.”

The system provides voice feedback and lists possible matches.

Say the number next to the selection you want to play. For example, say “Four.”

The system plays the selection and returns to the Search Mode screen.

**Using the “List” Command**

Press and release the Talk button before you say a command.

Say “iPod search” or “HDD search.”

Say “List” and one of the options on the Search Mode screen. For example, say “List Artist XYZ.”

A list of tracks from the selected artist displays.

The system provides voice feedback and lists possible matches.

Say the number next to the selection you want to play. For example, say “One.”

The system plays the selection and returns to the Search Mode screen.

Say the number next to the selection you want to play. For example, say “Four.”

The system plays the selection and returns to the Search Mode screen.
**PANDORA®**

Play and operate Pandora from your iPhone® through your vehicle’s audio system. Visit www.acura.com/handsfrelink to check if this feature is compatible with your phone. Standard data rates apply.

### Playing Pandora

1. Open the front console, and pull out the USB adapter cable.
2. Open Pandora from your phone. Press HDD/AUX until Pandora appears and streaming begins.
3. From the audio screen, select items such as Station List, Like/Dislike, and Pause/Resume.*

Connect the cable to your iPhone dock connector.

**Notes:**
- If the Pandora app is not selected on your phone, iPod music is played.
- A pop-up may appear on your phone requesting you to allow access for Pandora to be launched.
- If you shut down the Pandora app, you must reopen it on your phone to resume play.
- If you cannot operate Pandora through the audio system, it may be streaming through Bluetooth® Audio. Make sure to select Pandora mode on the audio system. If Pandora still does not operate, you may have to reconnect the cable.
- Connect your phone only when your vehicle is stopped.

*Menu functions not available on all phones

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**HOMELINK®**

Program your vehicle to operate up to three remote-controlled devices around your home, such as garage doors, lighting, or home security systems.

### Training a Button

1. Position the remote transmitter you wish to link 1–3 inches from the HomeLink button you want to program.
2. Press and hold the desired HomeLink button and the button on the remote transmitter. Does the HomeLink indicator (LED) blink at a faster rate after about 10 seconds?
3. Press and hold the programmed HomeLink button for about a second. Does the device (garage door opener) work?
4. Press and hold the programmed HomeLink button again. The remote has a rolling code. Press the “learn” button on the remote-controlled device (e.g., garage door opener).
5. Press the programmed HomeLink button again; the remote-controlled device should operate.

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.
ACURA OWNERS

Visit owners.acura.com and register to explore features and technologies specific to your vehicle, schedule service appointments, obtain and update maintenance and service records, manage your financial services account, and access other useful information.

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

Use of unleaded premium gasoline of 91 octane or higher is recommended.
- Acura recommends TOP TIER Detergent Gasoline where available.
- Do NOT use gasoline containing more than 15% ethanol.
- Do NOT use gasoline containing methanol.
- Do NOT use gasoline containing MMT.
- See your Owner’s Manual for more information.

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 your new vehicle warranty.

TOP TIER Detergent Gasoline (recommended) never contains MMT and has detergent additives to keep your engine clean. For further information on fuel and lubricants for your car and information on gasoline that does not contain MMT, contact your dealer or visit owners.acura.com.