TECHNOLOGY REFERENCE GUIDE

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PILOT

2013 Pilot
LX, EX, EX-L, and
EX-L with Rear
Entertainment System

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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 covers the Pilot LX, EX, EX-L, and EX-L with Rear Entertainment System.

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 Manual.

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*if equipped

AUTO DOOR LOCKS

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

Default Lock/Unlock Setting

Default Lock Setting

All doors and the tailgate 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).

Programming the Auto Door Unlock Setting

To program all doors and the tailgate to unlock when you shift to Park:

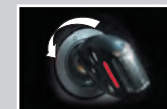1. **Close** the driver's door. **Shift** into Park.

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

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

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

Programmable Auto Door Lock/Unlock Settings

Below are the 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 shift out of Park	**Auto Unlock (all doors)**	When you turn the ignition OFF	When you shift into Park
Turn off Auto Lock	Operate manually		**Auto Unlock (only driver's door)**	When you turn the ignition OFF	When you shift into Park
			Turn off Auto Unlock	Operate manually	

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		(ABS)	ABS (anti-lock brake system)
BRAKE	Low brake fluid, Brake system		VTM·4	VTM-4 (4WD only)
	Low oil pressure			Malfunction lamp (check engine light)
	SRS (supplemental restraint system)			VSA® (vehicle stability assist)
DRL	DRL (daytime running lights)		TPMS	TPMS (tire pressure monitoring system)
TAIL GATE	Power tailgate*			

Condition Indicators
Action is needed by driver

BRAKE	Parking brake on: **Release**			Low fuel: **Refill**
	Door/Tailgate open: **Close door(s) / tailgate**		(!)	Low tire pressure: **Add air**
	Seat belt reminder: **Fasten seat belt(s)**			Maintenance Minder: **Make dealer appointment**

STARTER SYSTEM	Starter system: **Hold ignition switch in START (III) for up to 15 seconds**		Immobilizer (blinks): **Use correct key**
A/T TEMP	A/T temperature (4WD only): **Pull over and let engine idle**		

On/Off Indicators

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PASSENGER AIRBAG OFF	PASSENGER AIRBAG **OFF** (located on center panel)		‡D	Fog lights **on***
SIDE AIRBAG OFF	SIDE AIRBAG **OFF**			Headlights **on**
VSA OFF	VSA **OFF**			Turn signals/hazards **on**
CRUISE MAIN	CRUISE MAIN **on**			High beams **on**
CRUISE CONTROL	CRUISE CONTROL **on**			
ECO	Fuel economy **on**			

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INFORMATION DISPLAY

Consists of several displays that provide you with useful information.

Accessing the Information Display

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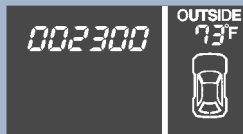
When you start the engine, the display shows your last active selection from the previous drive cycle.

To toggle between the different displays, **press and release** the select/reset knob repeatedly.
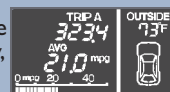
Information Displays

Odometer — **002300** OUTSIDE 73°F

Fuel range — **002300** RANGE **200** mi OUTSIDE 73°F

Engine oil life — **002300** OIL LIFE% **100** OUTSIDE 73°F

Trip meter A or B, Average fuel economy, Instant fuel economy — TRIP A **3234** AVG **21.0** mpg OUTSIDE 73°F

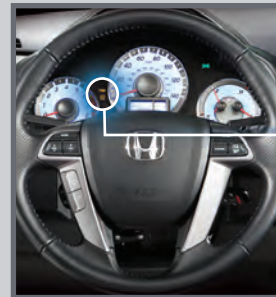**Note:** Outside temperature indicator not available on LX.

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.

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

What to Do

1. **Visually inspect** the tires for damage.
2. **Use** a tire air pressure gauge 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.

REARVIEW 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 center display.
- Yellow parking guide lines also appear to help you judge distance.
- The rearview display turns off when you shift out of Reverse.
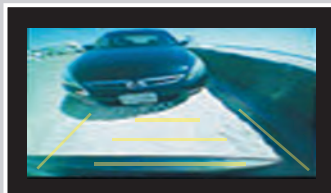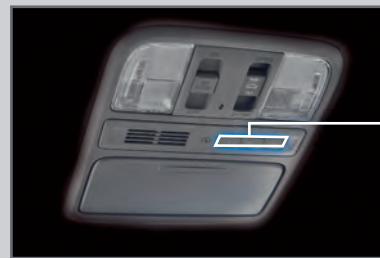
Turning the Guide Lines On or Off

Press and hold RETURN for about 3 seconds.

HOMELINK® (if equipped)

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?

NO | YES

a **Press and hold** the button on the remote and the HomeLink button at the same time. Then, while continuing to hold the HomeLink button, **press and release** the button on the remote every 2 seconds.
Does the LED blink at a faster rate within 20 seconds?

NO | YES

3 **Press and hold** the programmed HomeLink button for about a second.
Does the device (garage door opener) work?

NO | YES

4 **Press and hold** the HomeLink button again.

YES → **Training complete**

HomeLink indicator flashes for 2 seconds, then remains on. | HomeLink LED remains on.

a The remote has a rolling code. **Press** the "learn" button on the remote-controlled device (e.g., garage door opener).

b Within 30 seconds, **press and hold** the programmed HomeLink button for 2 seconds.

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*.

BLUETOOTH® HANDSFREELINK® (HFL)

Place and receive phone calls through your vehicle's audio system. Visit *handsfreelink.honda.com* to check if your phone is compatible.
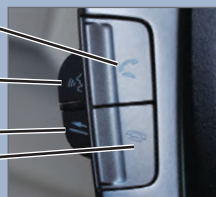
How to Use HFL

Pick-Up button: Go directly to the Phone screen, or answer an incoming call.

Talk button: Use to call speed dial entries with stored voice tags.

Back button: Cancel a selection.

Hang-Up button: End a call.

Use these buttons to navigate through the HFL menus.

PHONE button: Go directly to the phone screen.

Audio selector knob: Rotate to scroll through selections and press to make a selection.

Return button: Press to cancel an operation or return to the previous screen.
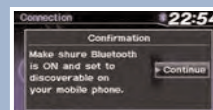
Pairing Your Phone

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

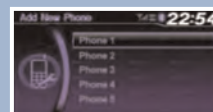Use the audio selector knob to make and enter selections.

1. **Press** the Pick-Up button to go to the Phone screen. A prompt appears. **Select** Yes.
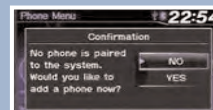
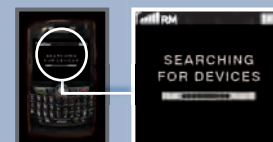2. Make sure your phone is in discovery mode, and **select** Continue.

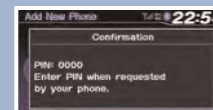3. HFL searches for your phone. **Select** it when it appears on the list.

If your phone does not appear:

Select "Phone Not Found?" and **search** for a HandsFreeLink device from your phone. **Connect** to HFL.

4. HFL gives you a four-digit code. **Enter** it on your phone when prompted. **Select** OK to complete.
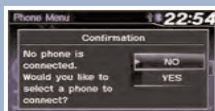
Pairing Your Phone (continued)

Use this pairing method when a phone has already been paired to the system, or when you want to pair an additional phone.
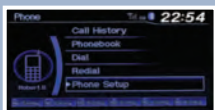
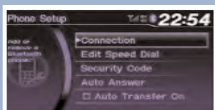1. **Press** the Pick-Up button to go to the Phone screen.

If a prompt appears asking to connect to a phone, **select** No.

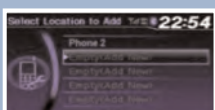2. **Select** Phone Setup.

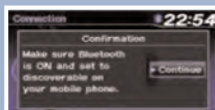3. **Select** Connection.

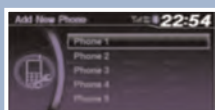4. **Select** Add a New Phone.

5. **Select** an empty location for the phone.

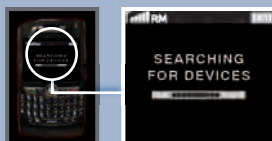6. Make sure your phone is in discovery mode, and **select** Continue.

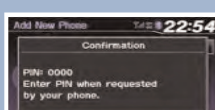7. HFL searches for your phone. **Select** your phone when it appears on the list.

If your phone does not appear:

Select "Find Another Phone" and **search** for HandsFreeLink from your **phone. Connect** to HFL.

8. HFL gives you a four-digit code. **Enter** it on your phone when prompted. The phone is now paired.
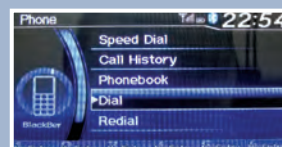

Dialing a Number

Use the audio selector knob to make and enter selections.

1. **Press** the Pick-Up button to go to the Phone screen.
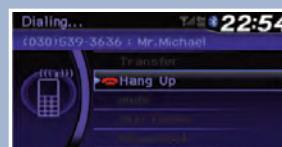

2. **Select** Dial.

3. **Enter** the phone number. **Select** the green Dial icon or **press** the Pick-Up button to call.
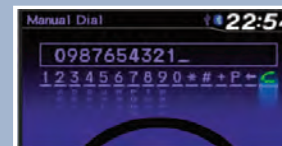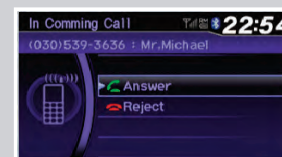

4. The call is connected and heard through the vehicle speakers.

Receiving a Call

A notification is heard and the following screen appears:

Press the Pick-Up button to accept the call.

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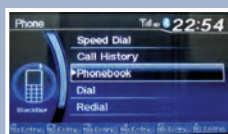
Using the Phonebook

When your phone is paired, its entire phonebook is automatically imported to the system.

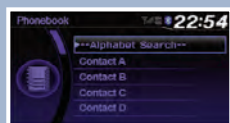**Use the audio selector knob to make and enter selections.**

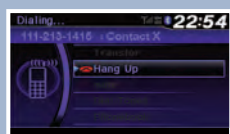1. **Press** the Pick-Up button to go to the Phone screen.

2. **Select** Phonebook.

3. **Scroll** the list to find the name you want to call, and **press** ENTER to begin the call.

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

Using Speed Dial

Up to 15 numbers can be stored with voice tags*.

Use the audio selector knob to make and enter selections.

1. **Press** the Pick-Up button to go to the Phone screen.
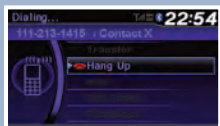
2. **Select** Speed Dial.

3. **Scroll** through the list to find the name you want to call, and **press** ENTER to begin the call.

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

*When a voice tag is stored for a speed dial entry, you can make a call using voice commands. Press the Talk button and follow the prompts. See your Owner's Manual for instructions on storing voice tags.
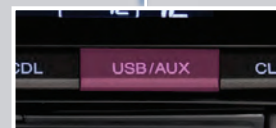
BLUETOOTH® AUDIO

Play audio files from your compatible phone through your vehicle's audio system. Visit *handsfreelink.honda.com* to check if this feature is available on your phone.

Playing *Bluetooth* Audio

1. Make sure your phone is on and paired to *Bluetooth*® HandsFreeLink® (see **page 11**).

2. **Press** USB/AUX until "Bluetooth Audio" appears on the screen.

3. From your phone, **open** the desired audio player or app and begin playing. Sound is redirected to the audio system. Make sure the volume on your phone is properly adjusted.

4. **Press** (◄◄) (►►) or (+) (-) to change tracks.
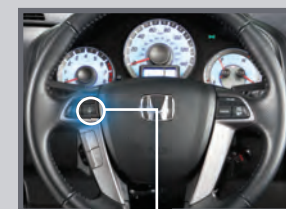
Notes:
- You may need to enable additional Bluetooth settings on your phone for playback.
- The play/pause function and remote audio controls may not be supported on all phones.
- Operate your phone only when your vehicle is stopped.

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 center console, and **pull out** the USB adapter cable.

Connect the USB connector to your iPod dock connector or flash drive.
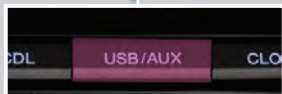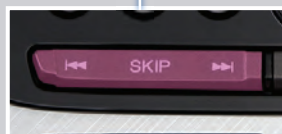
2. **Press** USB/AUX until iPod or USB appears.

3. **Press** (◄◄) (►►) or (+) (-) to change tracks.

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

CD LIBRARY
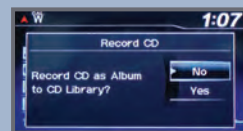
Store up to 18 audio CDs in the system memory.

Recording an Audio CD

Use the audio selector knob to make and enter selections.

1. **Insert** an audio CD.

2. The system asks if you want to record the CD to memory. **Select** Yes.

3. **Select** the location to store the CD.
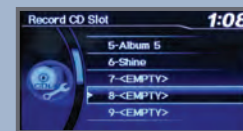
4. The CD records. If available, album information is displayed.
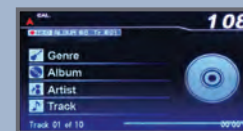
Note: Albums can be selected from the CD library only if recorded in their entirety. Partially recorded albums may appear, but they cannot be played.

Using the CD Library

Use the audio selector knob to make and enter selections.

1. **Press** CD/CDL. The last album recorded begins playing.
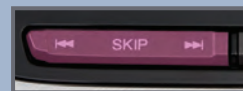
Press (◄◄) (►►) or (+) (-) to change tracks.

Press CATEGORY (+) (-) to change albums.

2. **Press** the selector knob to view the CD library.

3. A list of recorded CDs appears. **Select** the album and track you want to hear.

REAR ENTERTAINMENT SYSTEM (RES) (if equipped)

With the rear entertainment system and headphones, rear passengers can enjoy a different entertainment source than the front seat occupants.

RES Front Panel Controls

Rear Entertainment System

Press OPEN to release the overhead screen.

Pivot the overhead screen to fully open it.

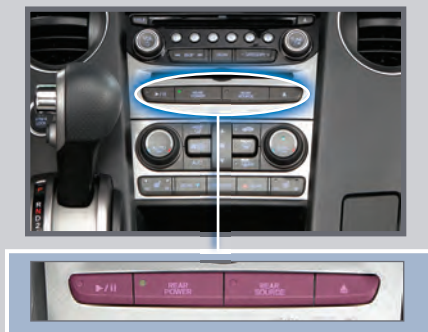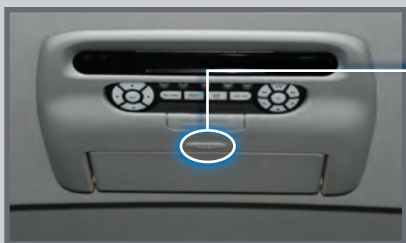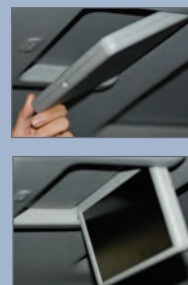**Pivot** the earpieces to turn on or off. Wireless headphones only work in the rear seats.

Wired headphones may also be used.

Operating the RES from the Front

1. **Press** REAR POWER. Rear passengers will hear audio through the headphones.

2. **Press** REAR SOURCE. **Select** an entertainment source for the rear passengers.

3. **Press** REAR SOURCE again to return to the front audio controls.

Operating the RES from the Rear

1. **Press** REAR POWER on the front audio panel. **Open** the overhead screen.

2. **Press** DVD/AUX, CD/CDL, XM, or FM/AM.

3. **Press** the (▲) (▼) (◄) (►) buttons to navigate the menu options. **Press** ENTER to select an option.

4. The rear control panel can be detached and used as a remote control. **Press** RELEASE to remove it.

OWNER LINK

Owner Link allows you to explore features and technologies specific to your vehicle, obtain and update maintenance and service records, and access other useful information. Register at *owners.honda.com* to ensure that you continue to enjoy the experience of owning a Honda. For added convenience, Owner Link can also be accessed on a mobile device.

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*.

• For further important information on fuel and lubricants for your car and information on gasoline that does not contain MMT, contact your dealer or visit Owner Link at *owners.honda.com*.