

Modifying your vehicle, or installing some non-Honda accessories, can make your vehicle unsafe. Before you make any modifications or add any accessories, be sure to read the following information.

Accessories

Your dealer has Honda accessories that allow you to personalize your vehicle. These accessories have been designed and approved for your vehicle, and are covered by warranty.

Although aftermarket accessories may fit on your vehicle, they may not meet factory specifications, and could adversely affect your vehicle's handling and stability. (See "Modifying Your Vehicle" on page [106](#) for additional information.)

WARNING

Improper accessories or modifications can affect your vehicle's handling, stability, and performance, and cause a crash in which you can be hurt or killed.

Follow all instructions in this owner's manual regarding accessories and modifications.

When properly installed, cellular phones, alarms, two-way radios, and low-powered audio systems should not interfere with your vehicle's computer controlled systems, such as the SRS and anti-lock brake system.

Before installing any accessory:

- Make sure the accessory does not obscure any lights, or interfere with proper vehicle operation or performance.
- Be sure electronic accessories do not overload electrical circuits (see page [170](#)) or interfere with proper operation.
- Have the installer contact your Honda dealer for assistance before installing any electronic accessory.

Accessories and Modifications

Modifying Your Vehicle

Removing parts from your vehicle, or replacing components with non-Honda (aftermarket) components could seriously affect your vehicle's handling, stability, and reliability.

Some examples are:

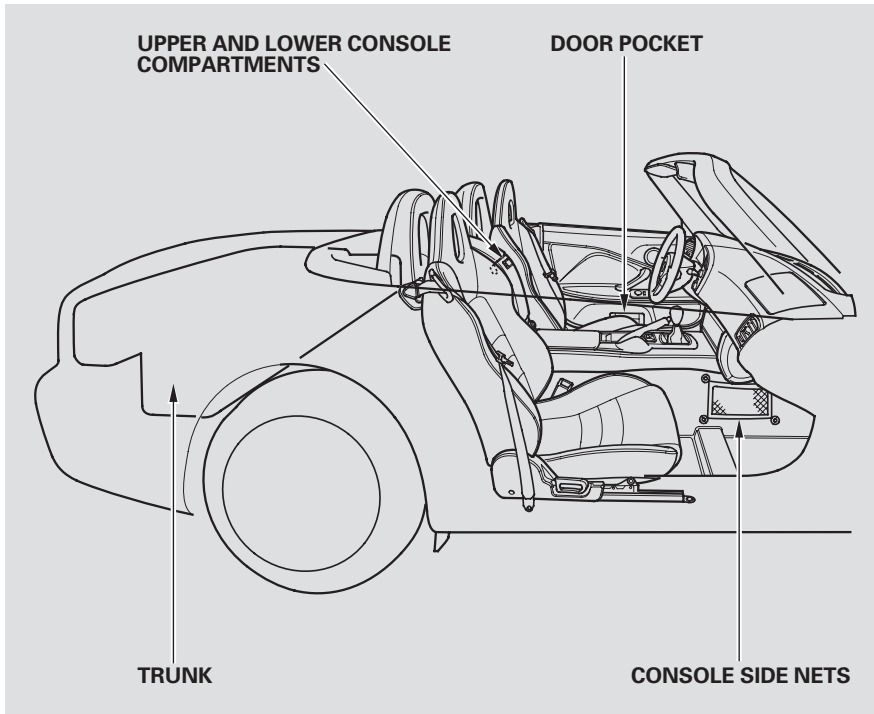
- Lowering the vehicle with an aftermarket suspension kit that significantly reduces ground clearance can allow the undercarriage to hit speed bumps or other raised objects, which could cause the airbags to deploy.
- Raising your vehicle with an aftermarket suspension kit can affect handling and stability.
- Aftermarket wheels, because they are a universal design, can cause excessive stress on suspension components.

- Larger or smaller wheels and tires can interfere with the operation of your vehicle's anti-lock brakes and other systems.

Do not modify your steering wheel or any other part of your Supplemental Restraint System. Modifications could make the system ineffective. See the safety precautions on page [15](#).

If you plan to modify your vehicle, consult your Honda dealer.

Carrying Cargo



Your vehicle has several convenient storage areas:

- Upper and lower console compartments
- Door pockets
- Console Side Nets

However, carrying too much cargo, or improperly storing it, can affect your vehicle's handling, stability, stopping distance, and tires, and make it unsafe. Before carrying any type of cargo, be sure to read the following pages.

Carrying Cargo

The maximum load limit for your vehicle is 400 lbs (185 kg). This figure includes the total weight of all occupants, cargo, and accessories.

To determine the correct cargo and luggage load limit:

1. Locate the statement, “the combined weight of occupants and cargo should never exceed 400 lbs (185 kg)” on your vehicle’s placard (on the driver’s doorjamb).
2. Determine the combined weight of the driver and passenger that will be riding in your vehicle. (Two is the seating capacity of your vehicle.)

3. Subtract the combined weight of the driver and passenger from 400 lbs (185 kg).

4. The resulting figure equals the available amount of cargo and luggage load capacity.

For example, if there will be two 150 lbs (70 kg) occupants in your vehicle, the amount of available cargo and luggage load capacity is 100 lbs (45 kg).

$$2 \times 150 \text{ lbs (70 kg)} = 300 \text{ lbs (140 kg)}$$

$$400 \text{ lbs (185 kg)} - 300 \text{ lbs (140 kg)} = 100 \text{ lbs (45 kg)}$$

5. Determine the combined weight of accessories, luggage, and cargo being loaded in the vehicle. The weight may not safely exceed the available cargo and luggage load capacity calculated in step 4.

WARNING

Overloading or improper loading can affect handling and stability and cause a crash in which you can be hurt or killed.

Follow all load limits and other loading guidelines in this manual.

Carrying Items in the Passenger Compartment

- Store or secure all items that could be thrown around and hurt someone during a crash.
- Be sure items placed on the floor behind the seats cannot roll under the seats and interfere with the pedals or vehicle operation.

Carrying Cargo in the Trunk

- Distribute cargo evenly on the floor of the trunk, placing the heaviest items on the bottom and as far forward as possible.