HandsFreeLink™

Your vehicle is equipped with the HandsFreeLink (HFL). HFL uses Bluetooth technology as a wireless link between it and your Bluetooth compatible cell phone. When you are in your vehicle and your phone is linked to the HFL, you'll enjoy hands-free phone use. The HFL is available in both English and French (Canadian models only). To change the language, see page 292 .

Here are the main features of the HFL. Instructions for using the HFL begin on page 279 .

Voice Control
HFL recognizes simple voice commands, such as phone numbers and names. It uses these commands to automatically dial, receive, and store numbers. For more information on voice control, see Using Voice Control on page 281 .

Bluetooth® Wireless Technology
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Bluetooth is the wireless technology that links your phone to the HFL. The HFL uses a Class 3 Bluetooth, which means the maximum range between your phone and vehicle is 30 feet (10 meters).

To use the HFL, your phone must have approved Bluetooth capability along with the Hands Free Profile. This type of phone is available through many phone makers and cellular carriers. You can also find an approved phone by visiting *www.acura.com/handsfreelink. (*In Canada, visit *www.acura.ca.) or by calling the Hands Free Link customer support at (888) 528-7876.*

Incoming/Outgoing Calls
With a linked phone, the HFL allows you to send and receive calls in your vehicle without holding the phone.

Phonebook
The HFL can store up to 50 names and phone numbers in its phonebook. With a linked phone, you can then automatically dial any name or number in the phonebook.
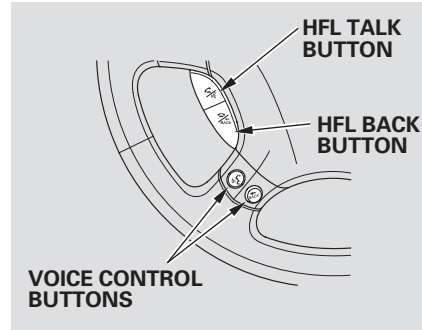
Here are the main components of the HFL system:

Microphone
The HFL microphone is on the ceiling console. The microphone is shared with the navigation system.

Audio System

When the HFL is in use, the sound comes through the vehicle's front audio system speakers. If the audio system is in use while making a call, the HFL over-rides the audio system. To change the volume level, use the audio system volume knob.

HFL Buttons

HFL TALK BUTTON
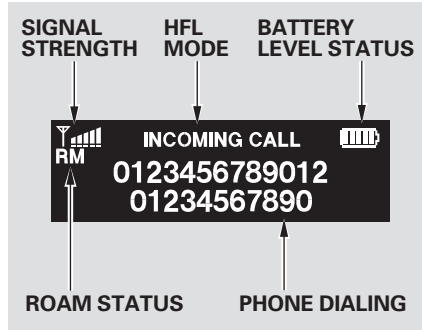
HFL BACK BUTTON

VOICE CONTROL BUTTONS

To operate the HFL, use the HFL Talk and Back buttons on the left side of the steering wheel. Below the HFL buttons is another set of voice control buttons for the navigation, climate control, and audio systems.

Here is the function of each HFL button:

HFL Talk: This button is used before you give a command, to answer incoming calls, and to confirm system information.

HFL Back: This button is used to end a call, go back to the previous voice control command, and to cancel an operation.

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Multi-Information Display

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SIGNAL          HFL         BATTERY
STRENGTH        MODE        LEVEL STATUS

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  RM     0123456789012
          01234567890

ROAM STATUS      PHONE DIALING
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When you are operating the HFL, or when you manually select HFL on the multi-information display, you will see this information on the screen:

• Signal Strength* — Indicates the network signal strength of the current phone call. Five bars equals full strength.

• ROAM Status* — Indicates your phone is roaming.

• Battery Level Status* — Indicates the power remaining in your phone's current battery charge. Five bars equals full battery strength.

• HFL Mode — Indicates when you are dialing and receiving calls.

• Phone Dialing — Indicates the number you entered or the number of the incoming call.

∗ : Some phones do not send this information to the HFL.

How to Use the HFL
The HFL is operated by the HFL Talk and Back buttons on the left side of the steering wheel. The next few pages provide instructions for all basic features of the HFL.

NOTE: All phones may not operate identically, and some may cause inconsistent operation of the HFL.

Using Voice Control
Here are some guidelines for using voice control:

- To enter a command, press the Talk button. Then, after the beep, say your command in a clear, natural tone.

- For best system operation, set the climate control fan speed to low, and direct the center vents away from the microphone in the ceiling.

- If the HFL does not recognize a command, its response is, "Pardon." If it doesn't recognize the command a second time, its response is, "Please repeat." If it doesn't recognize the command a third time, it plays the Help prompt.

- To hear a list of available options at any time, press the Talk button, wait for the beep, and say, "Hands free link help."

- Many commands can be spoken together. For example, you can say, "Dial 123-456-7891."

- To enter a string of numbers in a Call or Dial command, you can say them all at once, or you can separate them in blocks of 3, 4, 7, 10, or 11.

- To skip a voice prompt, press the Talk button while the HFL is speaking. The HFL will then begin listening for your next command.

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- To go back one step in a command process, say, "Go back," or press the Back button.
  If nothing is said while the HFL is listening for a command, the HFL will time out and stop its voice recognition. The next time you press the Talk button, the HFL begins listening from the point at which it timed out.

- To end a command sequence at any time, press and hold the Back button, or press the Talk button, wait for the beep, and say, "Cancel." The next time you press the Talk button, the HFL begins from its main menu.

- When you finish a command sequence, the HFL goes back to its main menu. For example, when you store the name, "Eric," the HFL response is, "Eric has been stored." The next time you press the Talk button, you will be at the main menu.

Setting Up the System
The voice of the HFL can be set to male or female (U.S. models only). Also, the incoming notification can be set to a ring tone, a prompt, or no notification.

To set up the system, do this:
1. Press and release the Talk button. After the beep, say "System." The HFL response is, "System options are setup and clear."

2. Press and release the Talk button. After the beep, say "Setup." The HFL response is "Would you like male or female prompts?"

3. Press and release the Talk button. After the beep, say "Male" or "Female," depending on the system voice you want. The HFL response is, "Male (Female) prompts have been selected. Would you like an audible notification of an incoming call?"

4. Press and release the Talk button. If you say "Yes" after the beep, the HFL response is, "Would you like a ring tone or a prompt?" If you say "No" after the beep, the HFL returns to its main menu. Saying "No" will result in no ring tone or prompt playback during an incoming call. The audio system will still mute, and a message will be displayed.

5. Press and release the Talk button. After the beep, say "Ring tone" or "Prompt." If you choose "Ring tone" you will hear a ring tone through the audio speakers to announce an incoming call. If you choose "Prompt," you will hear this message to announce an incoming call: "You have an incoming call."

Pairing Your Phone
Your Bluetooth compatible phone with HandsFree Profile must be paired to the HFL before you can make and receive hands-free calls.

NOTE:
• HFL does not allow you to pair your phone if the vehicle is moving.
• For pairing, your phone must be in its Discovery mode.
• Up to six phones can be paired to the HFL.
• The following procedure works for most phones. If you cannot pair your phone to the HFL with this procedure, refer to your phone's operating manual, talk to your phone retailer, or call the HandsFreeLink customer support at (888) 528-7876.
• During the pairing process, turn off any previously paired phones before pairing a new phone.

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