



Getting to Know Your 2005 Colorado

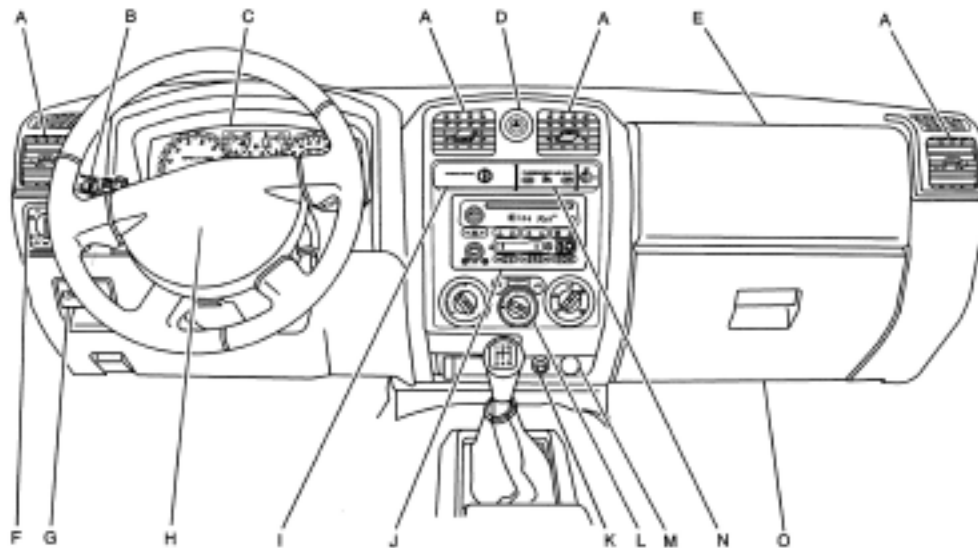


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Congratulations on your purchase of a Chevrolet Colorado. Please read this information and your Owner Manual to ensure an outstanding ownership experience. Note that your vehicle may not include all the features described in this booklet. Place this booklet in your Owner Manual portfolio for easy reference.

Instrument Panel



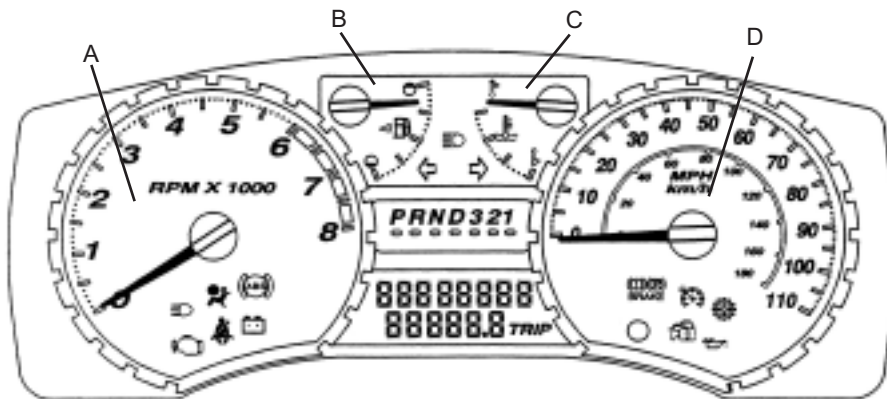
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 N. Air Bag Off Switch (if equipped)
 O. Glove Box

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Instrument Panel Cluster



Your vehicle's instrument panel is equipped with this cluster or one very similar to it.

The instrument panel cluster includes these key features:

- A. Tachometer
- B. Fuel Gauge
- C. Engine Coolant Temperature Gauge
- D. Speedometer

IMPORTANT: The instrument panel cluster is designed to let you know about many important aspects of your vehicle's operation. It is important to read your Owner Manual and become familiar with the information being relayed to you by the lights, gauges and indicators, as well as what action can be taken to ensure safety and to prevent damage.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Driver Information Center

Your vehicle's Driver Information Center (DIC) is located on the instrument panel cluster. It features a message center that can display information such as the trip odometer, vehicle personalization features and a number of messages or warnings.

The odometer is automatically displayed when the engine is started and shows the total distance the vehicle has been driven, in either miles or kilometers.



Scroll through the various DIC modes

- Press and release the control stem located on the DIC.

Display trip odometer information

- Press and hold the control stem for four seconds.

The display shows the distance traveled since you last set the trip odometer to zero.

GM Oil Life System

The GM Oil Life System calculates the estimated percentage of the engine oil's remaining useful life and alerts you, through the DIC, when it's time to change the oil by displaying **CHANGE OIL**. Please remember to always reset the oil life system after an oil change.

Reset the oil life system

- Press and hold the control stem for more than two seconds while **OIL LIFE** is displayed.

When completed, the system will reset and a beep will sound.

Note: The Oil Life System does not replace the need to follow the maintenance schedule in the Owner Manual, and will not detect dusty conditions or engine malfunctions that may affect the oil. It also does not measure how much oil is in the engine. For full engine oil information, see Section 5 of your Owner Manual.

Warnings and Messages

The following are examples of some of the warnings or messages that may appear in the DIC. Have your vehicle serviced as soon as possible:

- **BRAKE FLUID** (Brake fluid may be low)
- **BRAKE SYSTEM** (Service the brake system)
- **ABS** (Brake system operates normally without the antilock brake system benefit)
- **SERVICE TRACTION** (Service the Traction Control System)
- **ENG HOT** (Check your engine coolant temperature gauge)
- **SERVICE VEH** (Service vehicle)
- **LO FUEL** (Check the fuel gauge and fill the fuel tank as soon as possible)
- **BATTERY** (There is a problem with the battery)
- **CHECK FUEL CAP** (Check to ensure that the fuel cap is secure)

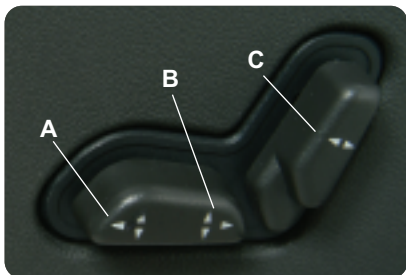
Note: To ensure your own safety and to protect your vehicle warranty, it's important not to ignore the preceding warnings. Acknowledge each one and attend to them at your earliest convenience.

Acknowledge and clear a warning or message

- Press and hold the control stem for one second.

See *Section 3 of your Owner Manual*.

Power Seats (if equipped)



On equipped vehicles, the power seat controls are located on the outboard sides of the front seats.

Raise or lower the front of the seat

- Lift or depress the front edge of the control (see "A" above).

Raise or lower the rear of the seat

- Lift or depress the rear of the control (see "B" above).

Move the seat forward or rearward

- Move the entire control forward or rearward.

Raise or lower the entire seat

- Lift or depress the entire control.

Move the reclining front seatback forward or rearward

- Move the recliner control (see "C" left) forward or rearward.

See *Section 1 of your Owner Manual*.

Heated Seats (if equipped)



On equipped vehicles, the lower and back cushions of the driver and front passenger seats can be heated.

The controls are located on the outboard sides of the seats. (The ignition must be on for this feature to work.)

Activate the heated seats

- Press the lower part of the switch to turn the heater to the "Low" setting.
- Press the upper part of the switch to turn the heater on "High."
- Place the switch in the center position to turn the heater off.

Note: In order for the passenger heated seat to operate, the passenger safety belt must be buckled.

See *Section 1 of your Owner Manual*.

Manual/Power Lumbar (if equipped)

The manual lumbar control knob is located on the outboard side of the driver's seat. Turn the knob counterclockwise to increase lumbar support and clockwise to decrease lumbar support.

The power lumbar control switches for the driver and passenger seats are located on the outboard side of the seats.

See *Section 1 of your Owner Manual*.

Rear Seat Folding Operation (if equipped)

Fold down forward-facing rear seat on Extended Cab models

- Pull down on the bottom of the seat until it is in place. (Note: The rear seat storage compartments must be in the rearward position before folding the seat down.)

Store the seat

- Push the entire seat up until it is flush with the trim panel.

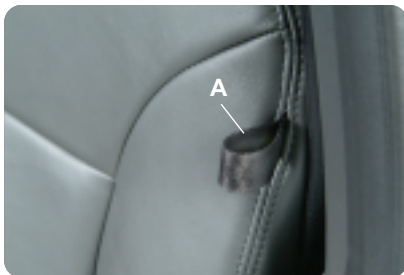
Note: To ensure that the hinges or latches do not damage the safety belt or cause the belt buckle to rattle, fold and store the belt between the seat cushion and seatback using the Velcro attachments provided on the lower portion of the seat.

Fold the Crew Cab's rear seatbacks

One or both of the Crew Cab's rear seatbacks can be folded forward.

Fold seatbacks forward

- Insert a small-tipped tool into the slot to unlatch the center safety belt buckle and move the belt to the side, out of the way.



- Grasp the loop located on the side of the seatback (see "A" above) and pull it until you hear a click.
- Fold the seatback down.

Repeat the process to fold the other seatback.

Return the Crew Cab's rear seatbacks to upright position

- Lift the seatback up and push it into place.
- Reconnect the center safety belt latch plate with the buckle.
- Push and pull on the seatback to ensure that it is secured.

Repeat these steps for the other seatback as necessary.

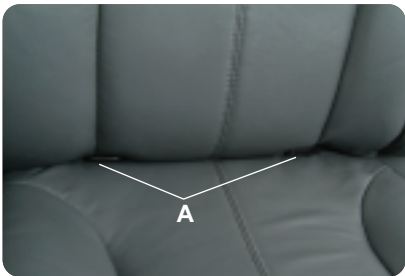
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Using Child Seat Restraints

On Regular and Extended Cab models with no rear seat, the Lower Anchorages and Top Tethers for CHildren (LATCH) system is located in the front passenger seat cushion (lower anchorages) and back panel of the cab (top tether anchorage).

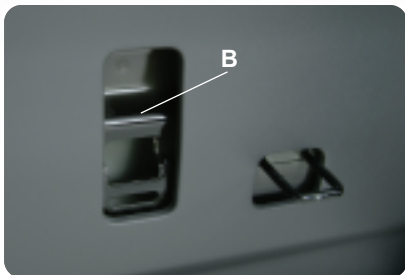
On Crew Cab and Extended Cab models, the LATCH system is located in the second-row outboard seat cushions (lower anchorages) and back panel of the cab (top tether anchorage).

IMPORTANT: Whenever possible, place the child restraint in the rear seat. To place a child restraint in the front seat, you must turn off the passenger side air bag. (See the Air Bag Off Switch section of this booklet and Section 1 of your Owner Manual for more information.)



Secure a child restraint designed for the LATCH system

- Find the passenger seat LATCH anchorages by placing your hand (palm up) between the seat cushion and the seatback (see “A” above).
- Put the child restraint on the seat.



Crew Cab top tether anchor location

- On forward-facing child restraints, attach and tighten the top tether to the top tether anchorage, if your vehicle has one (see “B” above). The child restraint instructions will show you how.
- Attach and tighten the LATCH attachments on the child restraint to the LATCH anchorages in the vehicle. The child restraint instructions will show you how.
- Move the child restraint in different directions to ensure it is secure.

Remove the child restraint

- Unhook the top tether from the top tether anchorage (if equipped).
- Disconnect the LATCH anchorages.

Note: Do not secure a child restraint in the center rear seating position if a federal or local law requires that the top strap be anchored, or if restraint manufacturer instructions say that the top strap must be anchored. Do not attempt to secure a child restraint in the center front seat position, as the restraints won't work properly.

See Section 1 of your Owner Manual.

Air Bag Off Switch

Colorado Regular Cab and Extended Cab models without rear seats are equipped with a front passenger air bag OFF switch located on the instrument panel.

The air bag should be turned off if the front passenger seat's occupant is one of the following: an infant less than 1 year old, a child between the ages of 1 and 12, or a passenger with a medical condition that poses a special risk if the air bag is left on.

Turn off the front passenger air bag

- Insert your ignition key into the switch, pushing it in and turning the switch to the AIR BAG OFF position. The air bag off light will come on to let you know that the right front passenger's frontal air bag is off.



Reactivate the front passenger air bag

- Insert the ignition key into the switch, push it in and turn it to the ON position.

See Section 1 of your Owner Manual.

Child Comfort Guide (Extended Cabs and Crew Cabs only)



This feature provides added safety belt comfort for smaller adults and for older children who have outgrown booster seats. When installed on a shoulder belt, the comfort guide better positions the belt away from the neck and head. One comfort guide is provided for each rear seat outboard position.

Install a comfort guide on a shoulder belt

- Pull the elastic cord out from between the seatback and the interior body to remove the guide from its storage clip.
- Slide the guide under and past the safety belt (the elastic cord must be under the belt).
- Place the guide over the belt and insert the two edges of the belt into the slots of the guide. (Be sure that the belt is not twisted and that it lies flat. The elastic cord must be under the belt and the guide on top.)
- Buckle, position and release the safety belt as described in Section 1 of your Owner Manual. Make sure the belt crosses the passenger's shoulder.

See Section 1 of your Owner Manual.

Rear Door Security Locks (Crew Cabs)



Crew Cab models are equipped with rear door security locks that allow you to lock the rear doors so they cannot be opened by passengers from the inside.

The lock switch (shown above) is located on the inside edge of each rear door.

Engage the rear door security locks

- Open a rear door and insert your ignition key into the lock.
- On the driver's side rear door, turn the key clockwise to engage the rear door security lock (turn it counter-clockwise on the opposite side rear door).
- Close the door.

Open the rear door when the security lock is on

- Unlock and open the door from outside the vehicle.

Return the rear doors to normal use

- On the driver's side rear door, insert the key and turn the lock counter-clockwise (turn it clockwise on the opposite side rear door).

See Section 2 of your Owner Manual.

Headlamp Controls

The exterior lamps control is located on the instrument panel to the left of the steering wheel.



Turn off all exterior lamps, including the Daytime Running Lamps

- Turn the knob to the OFF position (O).

Activate the automatic headlamp system that illuminates all exterior lamps and the instrument panel/radio lights when they are needed

- If not already in the AUTO position, turn the knob clockwise to AUTO.

Manually illuminate the parking lamps, exterior tail/side-marker lamps and instrument panel/radio lights

- Turn the knob clockwise to this position (⤵⤴).

Activate the headlamps, exterior tail/side-marker lamps and instrument panel/radio lights

- Turn the knob clockwise to this position (⤵⤴).

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Automatic Headlamp System

During daytime driving, your vehicle's Automatic Headlamp System may temporarily switch the headlamps and interior light system, including the radio display, to the nighttime mode. This occurs when encountering darker conditions, such as under a bridge or overpass, or inside a parking garage.

When you start the vehicle at night, the automatic headlamps will come on immediately. The system uses a light sensor located on top of the instrument panel. To ensure proper headlamp system operation, avoid placing objects or stickers on or near the sensor.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Fog Lamps (if equipped)

The fog lamp button is located near the exterior lamps control.

Turn on the fog lamps

- Press the button once while the headlamps or parking lamps are on.

The button's indicator light will glow when the fog lamps are on.

Turn off the fog lamps

- Press the button again.



The fog lamps will turn off whenever the high beam headlamps are turned on, and will reactivate when the high beam headlamps are dimmed or turned off.

The fog lamps are cancelled each time the ignition is turned off, and, when needed, must be turned on manually after restarting the vehicle.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Cargo Lamps



The cargo lamps provide illumination of the cargo area and the interiors of the top-box storage units. The controls are located near the exterior lamps control.

Turn on the cargo lamps

- Press the button once.

The button's indicator light will glow when the lamps are on.

Note: To turn your cargo lamps on, the dome lamp override must not be activated, and the dome lamps must be on.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Dome Lamp Override

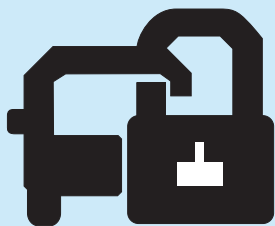


To prevent your vehicle's dome lamps from illuminating when a door is opened, press the dome lamp override button located below the exterior lamps knob.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Content Theft-Deterrent System (if equipped)

If your vehicle has the Remote Keyless Entry system, the vehicle has a Content Theft-Deterrent alarm system.



To remind you to activate the system, a security light (shown above) flashes when you open the door if the ignition is off.

Activate the system using one of these two methods

- Open the driver door and lock it with the power door lock switch or Remote Keyless Entry transmitter, or
- Press the power door LOCK switch when the door is open.

The alarm is not armed until the Security light darkens (after a delay of approximately 30 seconds).

Alarm System

The alarm sounds whenever a locked door is opened without using the key or the Remote Keyless Entry transmitter. If the alarm is tripped, the horn sounds for 30 seconds, and the headlamps and parking lamps flash for two minutes.

PASSlock®

Your vehicle is also equipped with the PASSlock® theft-deterrent system that requires a valid key to turn on the ignition. If a wrong key is used, the fuel system is disabled. If the engine is running and the security light comes on, you will be able to restart the engine if you turn it off, but your PASSlock system needs servicing. You can first check the fuse (see Owner Manual, Section 5) or see your dealer for service.

See Section 2 of your Owner Manual.

Audio Systems

AM/FM Stereo (if equipped)

Set the clock on the AM/FM stereo radio

- Press and hold the HR button until the correct hour appears.
- Press and hold MIN until the correct minute appears.

Display the time with the ignition off

- Press RCL, HR or MIN.

Presetting Radio Stations

You can set up to 18 station presets (six AM, six FM1 and six FM2) using the process shown below.

Set a station

- Turn the radio on.
- Press AM-FM to select the band (AM, FM1 or FM2).
- Tune to the desired station using the seek function or tune knob.
- Press AUTO EQ or AUTO TONE (on equipped audio systems, as applies to your radio) to select the sound equalization best suiting the type of station selected.
- Press/hold a numbered button until a beep confirms storage of the station.
- Repeat the previous steps for each pushbutton.

AM/FM Stereo with CD and Radio Data System (if equipped)



Set the clock on RDS-equipped radios

- Press and hold HR and MN simultaneously for two seconds until UPDATED and the clock symbol appear on the display.

If the time is not available from the station, NO UPDAT will appear.

Using the RDS

Radios equipped with RDS mode allow you to:

- Seek only stations with your preferred programming type.
- Seek stations with traffic announcements.
- Receive announcements of local and/or national emergencies.
- Receive and display messages from radio stations.

RDS features are available only on FM stations that broadcast RDS information. When tuned to an RDS station, the radio displays the station name instead of the frequency. Most RDS stations broadcast their station name, time of day and a Program Type (PTY).

Access the traffic announcement feature

- Press the TRAF button.

TRAF appears on the display if the station you're currently on broadcasts traffic announcements. If the station doesn't, the radio seeks one that does. If no station is found, the radio displays NO TRAF. When a traffic announcement is being broadcast on the tuned station, you will hear it, even if the volume is muted or a CD is playing.

Access radio station messages

- Press the INFO button when INFO appears in your radio display.

After the message is displayed, INFO disappears from the display. Longer messages appear in three-second intervals. To scroll through the message at your own speed, press the INFO button repeatedly.

Turn the Program Type selection on or off

- Press the P-TYPE LIST knob.
- Turn the P-TYPE LIST knob to select the Program Type you want.
- Press the SEEK or SEEK TYPE button (as it applies to your radio) and the radio seeks to the first RDS broadcast of the selected Program Type.

AM/FM (Alternate Frequency)

This feature allows the radio to switch to a station with a stronger signal and of the same PTY.

Activate the Alternate Frequency feature

- Press and hold the button for two seconds to turn it on; repeat to turn it off.

When turned on, AF ON appears on the radio display and the radio may switch to stronger stations of the same PTY.

ALERT!

This message appears in the display when a local or national emergency announcement is available. If a CD is playing, the announcement will override it. ALERT! announcements cannot be turned off, but are also not affected by tests of the Emergency Broadcast System.

MP3 Capability (if equipped)

The AM/FM Stereo with CD has MP3 playing capability. A CD-R or CD-RW containing MP3 audio tracks will play automatically when inserted into the CD player. An MP3 symbol will be displayed.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

AM/FM Stereo with Six-Disc CD Changer (if equipped)



Load one CD into the six-disc CD changer

- Turn the ignition on; then press and release the LOAD side of the LOAD CD button.
- Wait for the green indicator light at the right side of the slot to turn green.
- Insert the disc partway into the slot, label side up; the player will pull the disc in.

Load *multiple* CDs into the six-disc CD changer

- Turn the ignition on; then press and hold the LOAD button for two seconds. The unit beeps and the light to the right of the slot begins to flash.
- When the light stops flashing and turns green, insert a disc partway, label side up.
- The indicator light will begin blinking and turn green. Load another disc at this time.
- When more than one disc is loaded, a number for each disc is displayed.
- To load more than one but fewer than six discs, press the LOAD button again after loading the final CD.
- For every CD loaded, a number appears on the radio display.
- To play a specific CD, press the CD AUX button and then the number of the CD you want to hear.
- A small bar appears under the CD number that is playing, and the track number appears.

TheftLock

When TheftLock is activated, your radio will not operate if it is stolen. This feature works by learning a portion of your vehicle's VIN (Vehicle Identification Number). If the radio is installed on a different vehicle, it will not operate and LOC will appear on the display.

A blinking red light indicates that the system is armed.

XM Satellite Radio (if equipped)

XM Satellite Radio offers more than 120 channels of digital quality sound that goes wherever you go — coast to coast. XM displays song title, artist and entertainment genre.

For more information, contact XM on the Internet at www.XMradio.com or call 1-800-852-XXMX (9696).

Access XM Satellite Radio on equipped vehicles

- Press the BAND button until XM1 or XM2 appears on the display.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

OnStar® (if equipped)

If your vehicle is OnStar-equipped, the OnStar system provides in-vehicle safety, security, and communications services, available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. These services are easily accessed through the three OnStar buttons in your vehicle.

- Press the Blue OnStar Button to connect to an OnStar Advisor for services such as GM Goodwrench Remote Diagnostics or routing and location assistance.*
- Press the Phone Button to access OnStar Personal Calling, a hands-free, voice-activated communications service.**
- Press the Red Emergency Button to connect to an OnStar Advisor who can contact a nearby emergency services provider to dispatch ambulance, police, fire, or other emergency services to your location.

For more information about OnStar features, refer to the OnStar Owner's Manual and Audio Tour CD, located in your glove box.

*Routing and location assistance may require service upgrade

**Available in most markets

See Section 2 of your Owner Manual.

Starting Your Engine

With your foot off the accelerator pedal, turn the ignition key to START. When the engine starts, release the key. Avoid holding your key in the START position for longer than 15 seconds at a time. Excessive starter operation can drain your battery much sooner and excessive heat can damage your starter motor. If more than one try to start the engine is necessary, wait about 15 seconds between the first and second attempts.

See *Section 2 of your Owner Manual*.

Four-Wheel Drive System (if equipped)

With four-wheel drive, you can send power to all four wheels for extra traction. The controls are located on the instrument panel, to the right of the steering wheel.



Four-Wheel Drive Modes

2↑ (2H): This setting is used for most street and highway driving conditions. The front axle is not engaged in this mode.

N (Neutral): Shift the vehicle's transfer case to N only when towing your vehicle. Caution: Placing the transfer case in Neutral can cause the vehicle to roll, even if the automatic transmission is placed in the Park (P) position. Set the parking brake before placing the transfer case in Neutral.

4↑ (4H): This setting engages the front axle to provide extra traction on snowy or icy roads and during most off-road situations. Notice: Do not drive on pavement in four-wheel drive for long periods, as it may cause premature powertrain wear.

4↓ (4LO): This setting engages the front axle and sends maximum power to all four wheels for extremely low-traction conditions. You might choose 4LO for driving off-road in sand, mud or deep snow and climbing or descending steep hills.

Indicator lights in the buttons show which setting is currently selected.

Note: The indicator lights can flash at two speeds. Fast flashing means the conditions were not met to make the desired shift; typically, the vehicle was going too fast, the automatic transmission was not in Neutral, or the clutch pedal was not fully depressed. Slow flashing means the shift is in progress. If the transfer case is unable to make a requested shift, the indicator light will flash slowly for 30 seconds and then return to the last setting.

Shift from 2H to 4H

- Press the 4H button while driving at any speed.

Shift from 4H to 2H

- Press the 2H button while driving at any speed.

Note: When shifting into and out of 4LO, it is normal to hear and feel positive gear feedback, typically referred to as “clunk” (noise) and seat “bump” (feel). If a shift is made with the vehicle stopped, the indicator light may remain flashing slowly. It may be necessary to shift the transmission momentarily into Reverse and Drive (automatic transmission) or Reverse and 1st (manual transmission) and rock the vehicle slightly to get the light to come on fully.

Shift from 2HI or 4HI to 4LO

- Stop the vehicle or drive at 3 mph (5 km/h) or slower, with the transmission in Neutral (automatic transmission) or the clutch pedal depressed (manual transmission). The preferred method for shifting into 4LO is to have the vehicle moving at just under 3 mph (5 km/h).
- Press and release the 4LO button and wait for the 4LO indicator light to stop flashing and remain illuminated before shifting the transmission into gear or releasing the clutch pedal.

Shift from 4LO to 2HI or 4HI

- Stop the vehicle or drive at 3 mph (5 km/h) or slower, with the transmission in Neutral (automatic transmission) or the clutch pedal depressed (manual transmission). The preferred method for shifting out of 4LO is to have the vehicle moving at just under 3 mph (5 km/h).
- Press and release the 2HI or 4HI button and wait for the 2HI or 4HI indicator light to stop flashing and remain illuminated before shifting the transmission into gear or releasing the clutch pedal.

Shift the transfer case into or out of Neutral

Caution: Shifting the transfer case to Neutral can cause your vehicle to roll even if the transmission is in Park (P) or in gear. You or someone else could be seriously injured. Be sure to set the parking brake before placing the transfer case in Neutral.

Shifting into Neutral

- Set the parking brake.
- Turn the ignition to Run but leave the engine off.
- Press the regular brake pedal and shift the transmission in Neutral (N), or depress the clutch for vehicles with a manual transmission.
- Shift the transfer case to two-wheel high.
- Press and hold the two-wheel high and four-wheel low buttons at the same time for 10 seconds. The Neutral (N) light will come on when the transfer case shift to Neutral (N) is complete.
- Start the engine.
- Press and hold the regular brake pedal and shift the transmission to Reverse (R) for one second; then shift the transmission to Drive (D) for one second, or First (1) for vehicles with manual transmissions and let out the clutch, to ensure the transfer case is in Neutral. If not, repeat this procedure starting at third step.
- Turn the engine off.
- Place the transmission shift lever in Park (P), or First (1) for vehicles equipped with a manual transmission.
- Turn the ignition to LOCK.
- Release the parking brake prior to towing.

Shifting out of Neutral

- Set the parking brake and press and hold the regular brake pedal.
- Shift the transmission to Neutral (N), or press the clutch pedal for vehicles with a manual transmission, and turn the ignition to Run with the engine off.
- Press the button for the desired transfer case shift position (2HI, 4HI, or 4LO).
- After the transfer case has shifted out of Neutral, the indicator light will go out.
- Release the parking brake.
- You may start the engine and shift the transmission to the desired position.

See *Section 2 of your Owner Manual.*

Automatic Locking Differential (if equipped)

Your axle may be equipped with an automatic locking differential feature that helps increase traction when traveling at speeds less than 20 mph.

Once engaged, both rear wheels will “lock” and rotate at the same speed, improving vehicle traction. If one wheel has poor traction, such as when on ice, snow or mud, power will be transferred to the wheel with better traction.

Traction Control System (2WD models)

The Traction Control System (TCS) detects wheelspin at one or both rear wheels and reduces engine power and/or upshifts the transmission to help limit wheelspin. The TCS is designed to come on anytime you start the engine.



Under most driving conditions, you should leave the TCS turned on. But, if your vehicle ever gets stuck in sand, mud or snow and rocking the vehicle is required, you may want to turn the TCS off. See Section 4 of your Owner Manual for important details.

To turn the TCS off

- Press the button located on the instrument panel just above the radio. The amber light will illuminate when the TCS is turned off.
- Press the button again to turn the TCS back on. The amber light will turn off.

See *Section 4 of your Owner Manual.*

Flexible, Locking Tailgate

The tailgate features a flexible design that allows it to be positioned fully up, fully down, partially lowered, or be removed entirely.



Partially lower the tailgate

- From its fully down position, raise the tailgate high enough to slide the retaining cable bracket forward and off the bottom bolt.
- While still holding the tailgate, raise it slightly in order to place the cable bracket's *rearward* hole onto the *top* bolt.
- Slowly lower the tailgate to allow the cable bracket to slide rearward into position.

Note: The tailgate cannot be closed in this position. The bracket must be anchored on the bottom bolt.



Remove the tailgate

- Raise the tailgate slightly from its fully down position and remove both retaining cables. Do this by pulling upward on the clip and turning the bracket so that the end faces the front.
- Push forward so that the larger part of the hole is over the bolt, and pull the end over the bolt.
- With the tailgate halfway down, pull the tailgate toward you at the left side and move it to the left to release the right side.
- Reverse the process to reinstall the tailgate, and ensure that it is secure.

Tailgate lock

The tailgate also includes a lock that can be used when the tailgate is in a normal, upright position.



See Section 2 of your Owner Manual.

Cargo Tie-Downs and Bed Rails

To secure loads, use the cargo tie-down loops inside the cargo bed area. If your truck is equipped with bed rails, do not attempt to use them to secure loads, as they are for appearance only. Using the bed rails as a load anchor not only can damage them, but may cause the load to loosen, possibly causing injury.

See Section 2 of your Owner Manual.

Two-Tier Loading and Optional Bed Extender

You can create an upper load platform by positioning four 2x6 wooden planks across the width of the pickup box. Insert the planks into the pickup box depressions (shown below), allowing for at least a 3/4-inch (2-cm) bearing surface on each side of the plank.



Cargo bed depressions for two-tier loading

Ensure that the upper-tier load is securely tied down, with its center of gravity in a zone over the rear axle.

Note: An accessory bed extender, available from your dealer, provides even more flexibility for longer loads.

See Section 4 of your Owner Manual.

Roadside Assistance

1-800-CHEV-USA

(1-800-243-8872)

TTY Users: 1-888-889-2438

As the owner of a 2005 Chevrolet, membership in the Roadside Assistance program is free.

Roadside Assistance is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year by calling one of the above numbers. An advisor will provide you with over-the-phone roadside assistance with minor mechanical problems. If the problem can't be resolved over the phone, our advisors have access to a nationwide network of dealer-recommended service providers. Roadside membership is free; however, some services may incur costs.

Roadside offers two levels of service:

Basic Care and *Courtesy Care*.

Roadside **Basic Care** provides:

- Toll-free number (shown above)
- Free towing for warranty repairs
- Basic over-the-phone technical advice
- Available dealer services at reasonable costs (i.e., wrecker services, locksmith/key service, glass repair)

Roadside **Courtesy Care** provides:

- Roadside Basic Care services (as outlined previously)
- Plus:
- FREE Non-Warranty Towing (to the closest dealer from a legal roadway)

- FREE Locksmith/Key Service (when keys are lost on the road or locked inside)
- FREE Flat Tire Service (spare installed on the road)
- FREE Jump Start (at home or on the road)
- FREE Fuel Delivery (\$5 worth of fuel delivered on the road)

Courtesy Care is available to retail and retail lease customers operating 2005 and newer Chevrolet vehicles for a period of 3 years/36,000 miles (60,000 km), whichever occurs first.

For prompt and efficient assistance when calling, please provide the following information to the advisor:

- Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)
- Vehicle license plate number
- Vehicle color and mileage
- Location of the vehicle
- Telephone number where you can be reached
- Description of problem

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