



THE BMW X3. QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE.

BMW EfficientDynamics
Less emissions. More driving pleasure.

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Your BMW X3 at a glance

Welcome on board

Your BMW X3 offers you a wide range of equipment to make driving an enjoyable experience.

This Quick Reference Guide informs you about the most important basic functions of your BMW X3.

For safety reasons, please read the integrated Owner's Manual for Vehicle.

Any updates made after the editorial deadline of the printed or integrated Owner's Manual are located in the appendix of this Quick Reference Guide.

BMW hopes you get off to a good start and that you enjoy your BMW X3.

This Quick Reference Guide also describes and depicts equipment that may not be contained in your vehicle because of the selected special equipment or market-specific version.

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4 Opening and closing Remote control

Unlocking

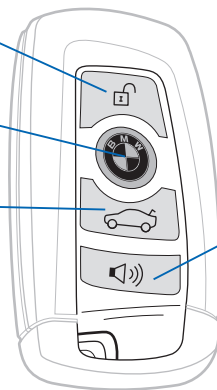
Locking

Unlocking the tailgate

Press the button on the remote control for approx.
1 second.

Tip

Depending on the equipment and the country variant, it is possible to set whether the doors are also unlocked when the tailgate is opened.



Convenient opening

Press and hold the Open button to open the side windows and the glass sunroof after unlocking.

Switching on the headlamp courtesy delay feature

Press briefly.

Panic mode

Press the button for at least 3 seconds to set off the alarm system.
Switch off by pressing any button.

Personal Profile

Individual settings in the vehicle are saved in personal profiles. Every remote control is assigned a profile.

Three personal profiles and a guest profile can be created. Changes to the settings are automatically saved in the profile currently activated. For example, the following settings can be stored in a profile:

- Driver's seat position.
- Exterior mirror position.
- Assignment of the programmable memory buttons.
- Stored stations, station listened to last.

The settings are retrieved and implemented in the vehicle depending on the remote control that is detected when unlocking the vehicle.

Only one remote control should be used per person.

The personal settings can be taken to another vehicle with the Personal Profile function.

Comfort Access

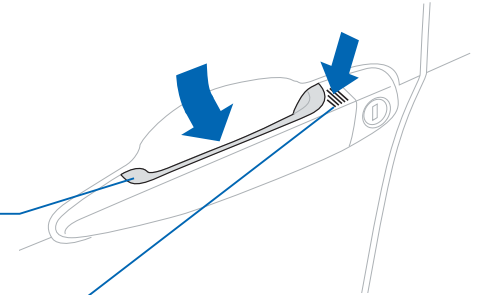
The Comfort Access system allows you to gain access to the vehicle and start the engine without pressing the remote control. The remote control is automatically detected in the immediate vicinity or inside the vehicle.

Unlocking

Take a firm hold of the door handle.

Locking

Press the surface for approx. 1 second with your finger, without grasping the door handle.



Tip

With Comfort Access and automatic tailgate operation, the tailgate can be opened and closed with no-contact activation using the remote control you have with you. Additional information can be found in the integrated Owner's Manual of the vehicle.

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Central locking/tailgate

Central locking

Door opener

To open, pull the door opener.

It is possible to set whether just the driver's door or all doors should be unlocked.

Opening the tailgate from the inside

Press the button.

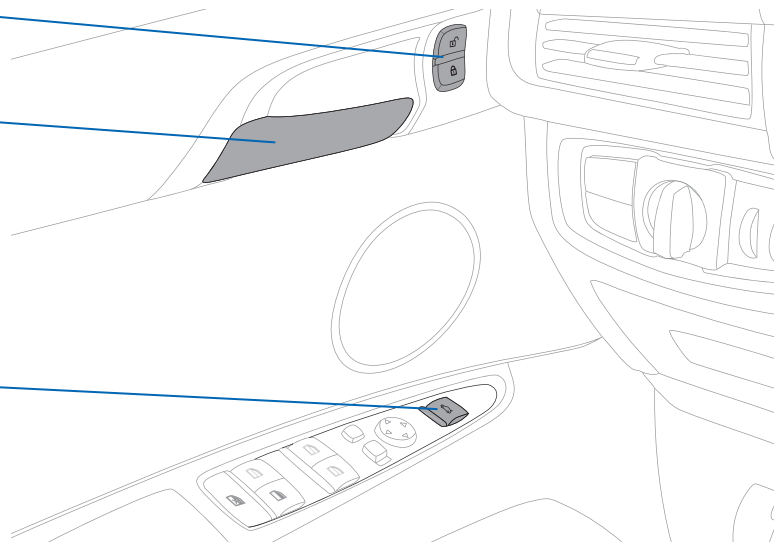
Unless it is locked, the tailgate opens if the vehicle is stationary.

Closing the tailgate from the inside

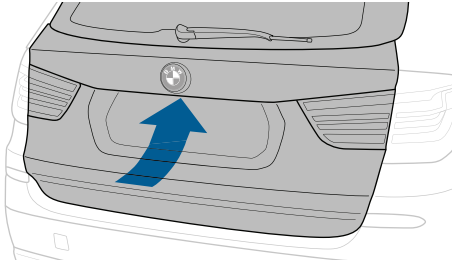
Pull the button and hold it.

An acoustic signal sounds and the tailgate closes.

Releasing the button stops the motion.

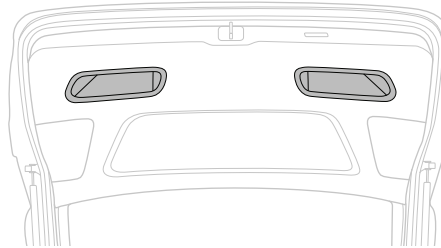


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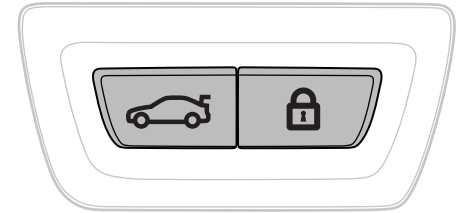
Opening the tailgate from the outside

Press the button on the exterior of the tailgate.
Pressing again stops the motion.



Closing the tailgate from the outside

Recessed grips on the inside trim of the tailgate can be used to conveniently pull down the tailgate.



Automatic tailgate operation

 Press the button on the inside of the tailgate. The tailgate closes by itself.
Pressing again stops the motion.

 With Comfort Access, press the button.
The tailgate closes automatically and the vehicle is locked.

8 Seat, mirrors, and steering wheel

Manually adjustable seat

Backrest tilt

Height

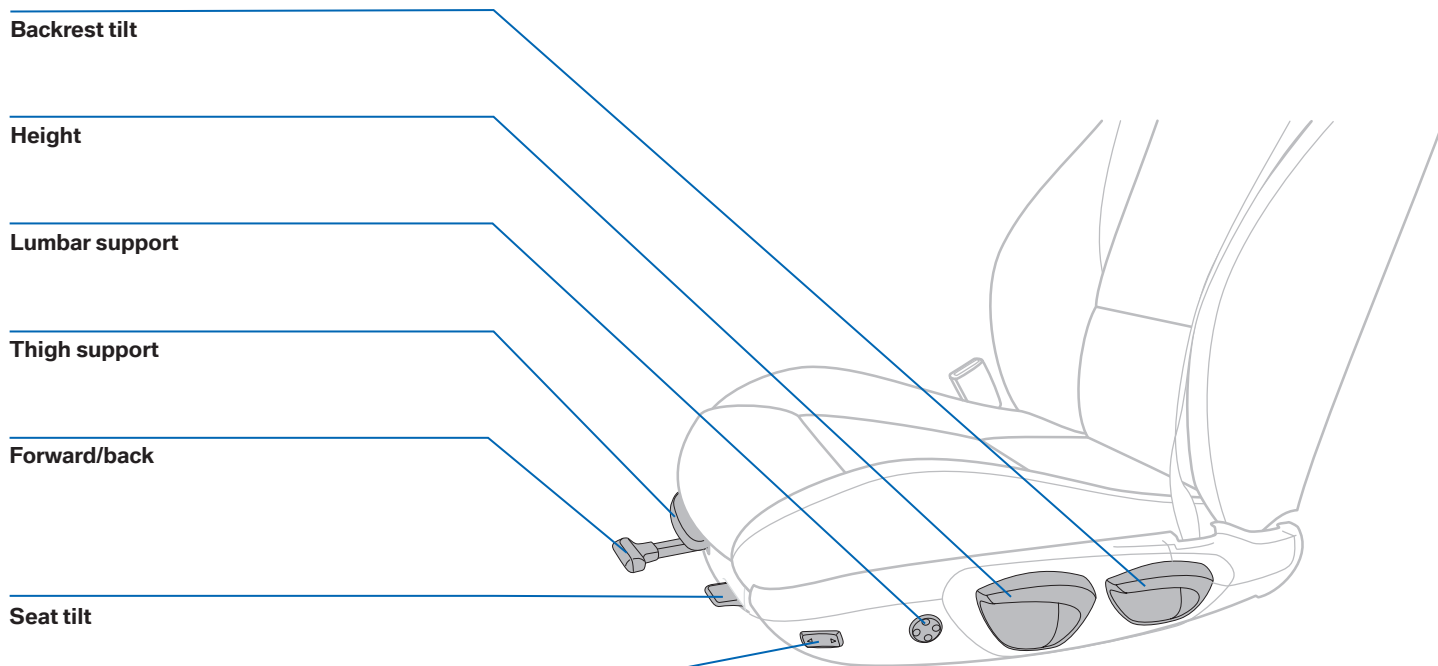
Lumbar support

Thigh support

Forward/back

Seat tilt

Backrest width



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Electrically adjustable seats

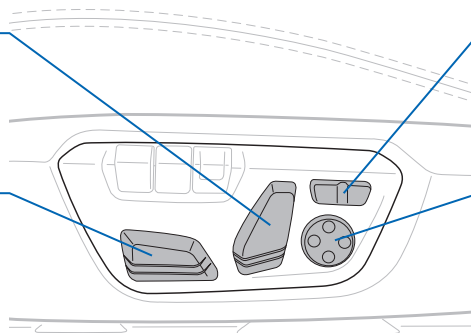


Backrest tilt

Backrest width

**Forward/back
Height
Seat tilt**

Lumbar support



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Mirrors

Mirror adjustment

Folding the mirrors in and out

Mirrors, Automatic Curb Monitor

To select the mirror: left/right.

Automatic Curb Monitor on: move the mirror switch to the driver's side mirror position.

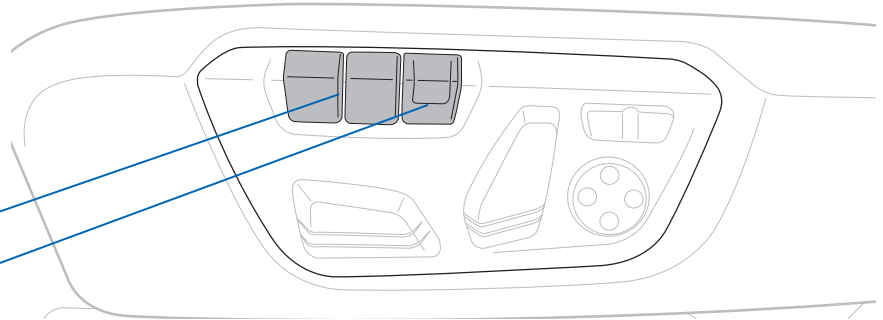
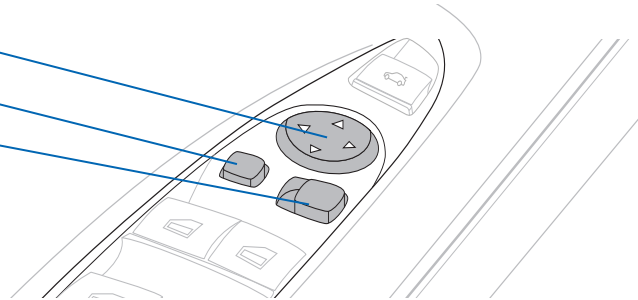
Seat and mirror memory

Two driver's seat and exterior mirror positions can be stored and retrieved per profile. The backrest width and lumbar support settings are not stored.

1. Switch on the ignition.
2. Adjust the seat and mirrors.
3. Press the M button; the LED lights up.
4. Press the desired memory button 1 or 2. The LED goes out.
5. Press memory button 1 or 2 to call up the stored position.

Memory buttons

M button



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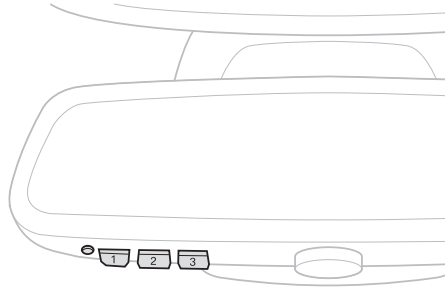
Universal Garage Door Opener

The concept

After programming, elements such as a garage door or lighting system can be operated using one of the buttons on the interior rear view mirror.

Programming

1. Switch on the ignition.
2. Press the two outer memory buttons 1 and 3 for approx. 20 seconds until the LED flashes.
3. Hold the hand-held transmitter for the system to be controlled approx. 1 to 3 in/2.5 to 8 cm from the buttons on the interior rearview mirror. The required distance depends on the manual transmitter.
4. Simultaneously press and hold the button of the desired function on the hand-held transmitter and the button to be programmed on the interior rearview mirror. The LED on the interior rearview mirror will begin flashing slowly.
5. Release both buttons as soon as the LED flashes more rapidly. If the LED is flashing faster, this indicates that the button on the interior rearview mirror has been programmed.



With alternating-code radio systems

For systems with an alternating-code system, the universal garage door opener and the system also have to be synchronized.

1. Park the vehicle within range of the remote-controlled device.
2. Program the relevant button on the interior rearview mirror as described.
3. Locate and press the synchronizing button on the system being programmed. You have approx. 30 seconds for the next step.
4. Press the programmed memory button of the Universal Garage Door Opener for approx. 3 seconds. If necessary, repeat this work step up to three times in order to finish synchronization.

Note the additional information contained in the integrated Owner's Manual for Vehicle.

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Steering wheel

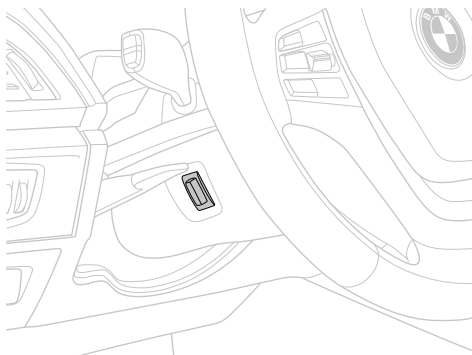
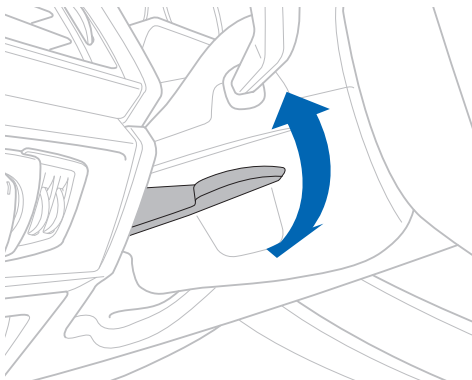
Manual transmission: locking the electric steering wheel

The steering wheel locks automatically when the driver's door is opened.

To unlock it, switch on the ignition.

Adjusting the steering wheel

1. Move the lever down.
2. Adjust the steering wheel to the seating position in longitudinal direction and height.
3. Move the lever back up.



Steering wheel heating

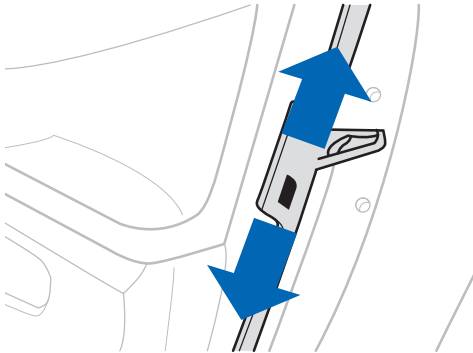
Press the button.

The LED in the button lights up when the steering wheel heating is switched on.

Transporting children safely

Locking the rear doors

Move the safety lever in the rear doors to the downward position. The respective door can only be opened from the outside.



Child safety lock for rear side windows

Press the button on the driver's door if children are being transported in the rear. The child safety lock in the driver's door can be used, for example, to prevent children from opening and closing the rear windows using the switches in the rear.

LATCH child restraint mounting system

To install and use the LATCH child restraint mounting systems, observe the operating and safety information from the system manufacturer; otherwise, the level of protection may be reduced.

Mounts for the lower LATCH anchors

The lower anchors may be used to attach the CRS to the vehicle seat up to a combined child and CRS weight of 65 lb/30 kg when the child is restrained by the internal harnesses. Before installing the LATCH child restraint mounting system, pull the belt away from the child seat fastening area. Make sure that the lower LATCH anchors are properly engaged and that the child restraint system is resting snugly against the backrest. Firmly press the installation guide into the gap between the seat upholstery and backrest. Continue to press until the two funnel-shaped guides snap into place in the LATCH support brackets. The installation guide can be removed simply by pulling.

Refer to the following section in the Owner's Manual: Transporting children safely.

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Steering wheel



Reducing the distance

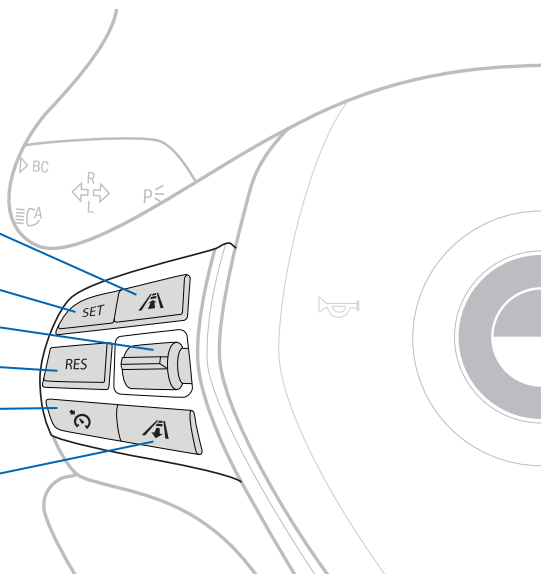
Storing the speed

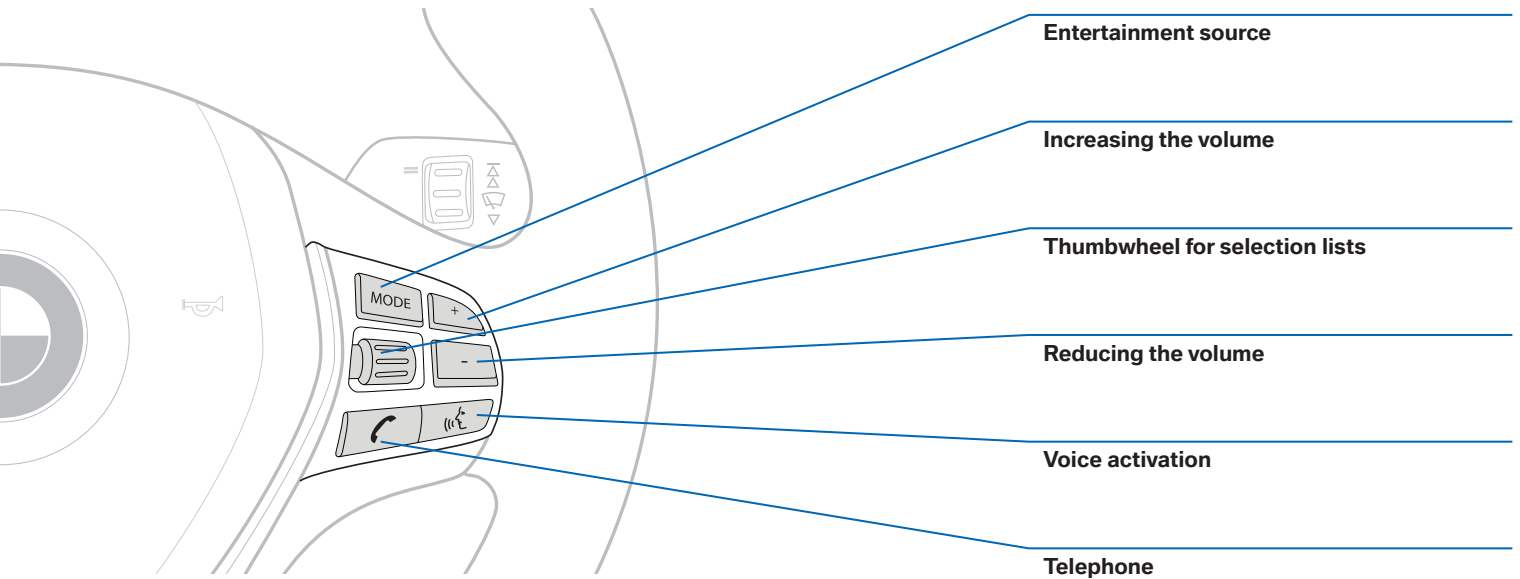
Rocker switch for cruise control

Retrieving the speed

Switching cruise control on/off, interrupting
Switching active cruise control on/off, interrupting

Increasing the distance





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Around the steering wheel

Activating turn signals

Pressing beyond the resistance point.

Turn signal canceling/one-touch flashing

Press up to the point of resistance.

Signaling briefly

Press up to the resistance point and hold there.

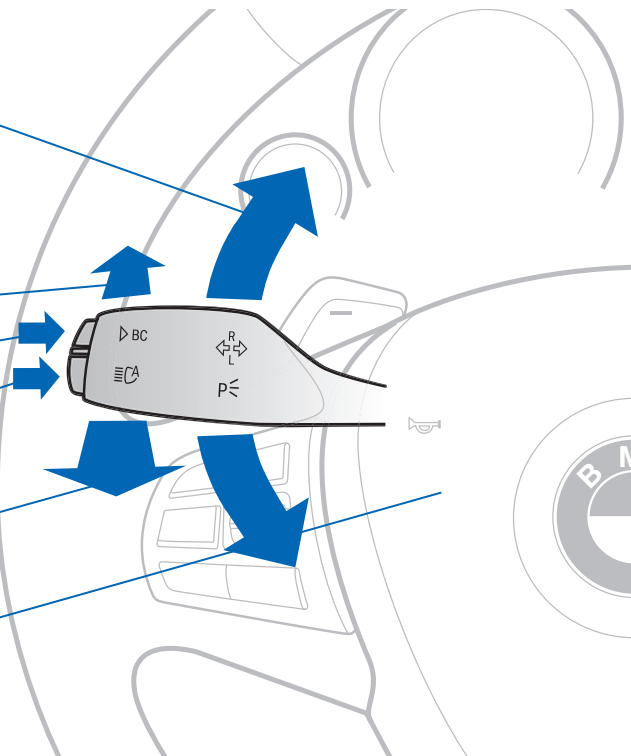
High beams

Computer

High-beam Assistant

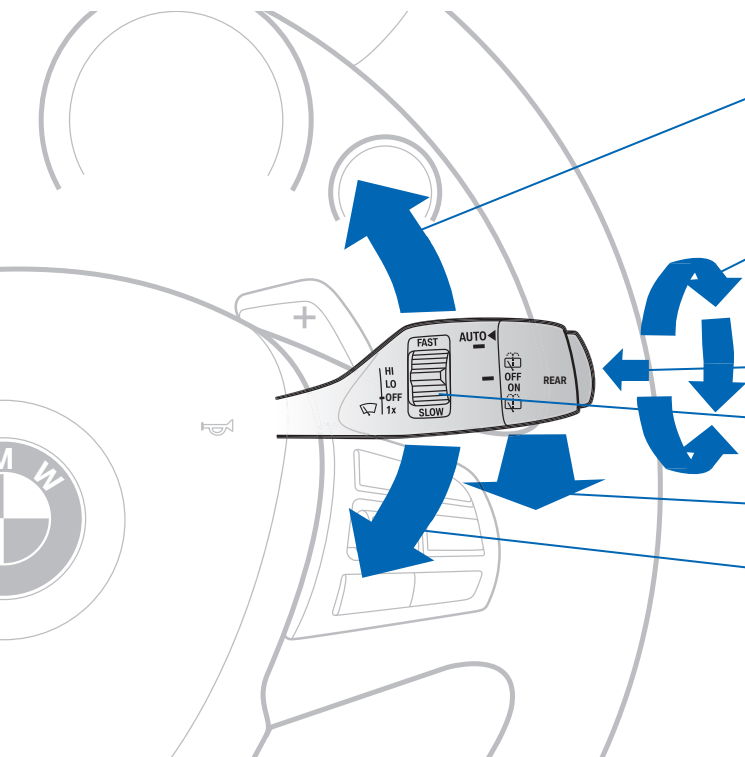
Headlamp flasher

Horn



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Around the steering wheel



Switching on the wipers

Normal: press once.

Rapid: press twice.

Switching on the rear window wiper

Intermittent operation: rotate once upward from rest position 0.

Cleaning the rear window

Intermittent operation: rotate further upward.

In idle position: turn downward.

Rain sensor

Sensitivity of the rain sensor

Cleaning the windshield and headlamps

Switching off the wipers

Normal: press once.

Rapid: press twice.

Brief wipe

Press once.

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Around the center console

Control Display

Hazard warning flashers

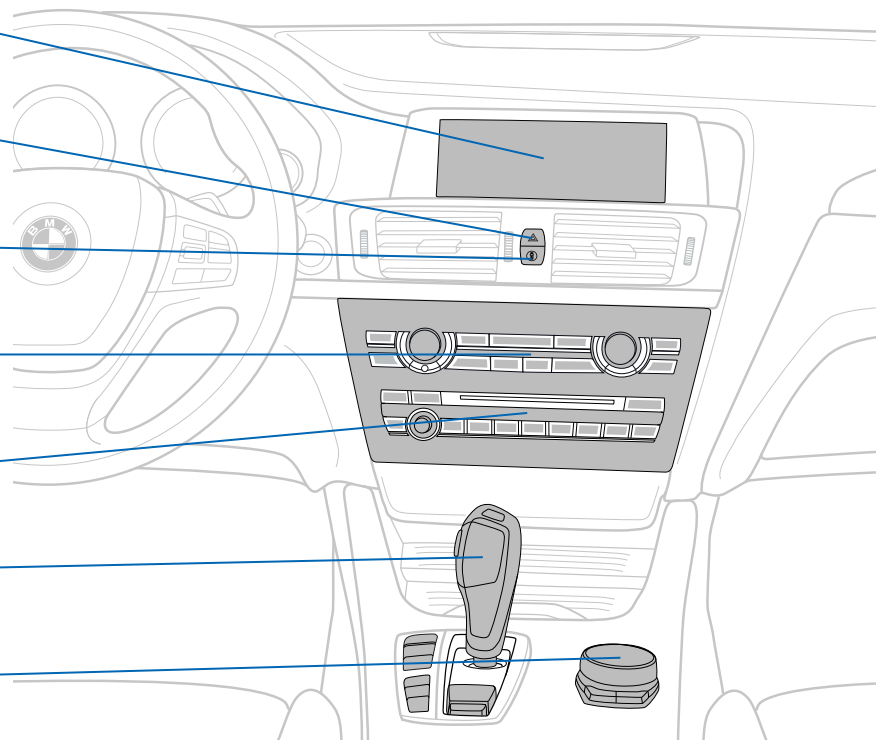
Intelligent Safety button

Automatic climate control

Radio/CD/Multimedia

Selector lever

Controller with buttons and touchpad





The concept

Depending on the vehicle equipment, Intelligent Safety consists of one or more of the following systems, which can help prevent an impending collision.

- Collision warning.
- Pedestrian warning.
- Lane departure warning.
- Lane change warning.

Switching on/off

Some Intelligent Safety Systems are activated automatically every time the engine is started using the Start/Stop button, and others are activated according to the last setting.



Press the button:

A panel appears on the Control Display. Settings can be made that are stored on the remote control currently in use.

Press the button briefly:

Intelligent Safety Systems are switched off individually according to the setting. The LED lights up orange or goes out.

Press the button again:

All Intelligent Safety Systems are switched on. The LED lights up green.

Press the button for several seconds:

All Intelligent Safety Systems are switched off. The LED goes out.

Note the additional information contained in the integrated Owner's Manual for Vehicle.

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Automatic climate control with enhanced functions



Air volume
Residual heat

Display

Defrosting windows, removing condensation

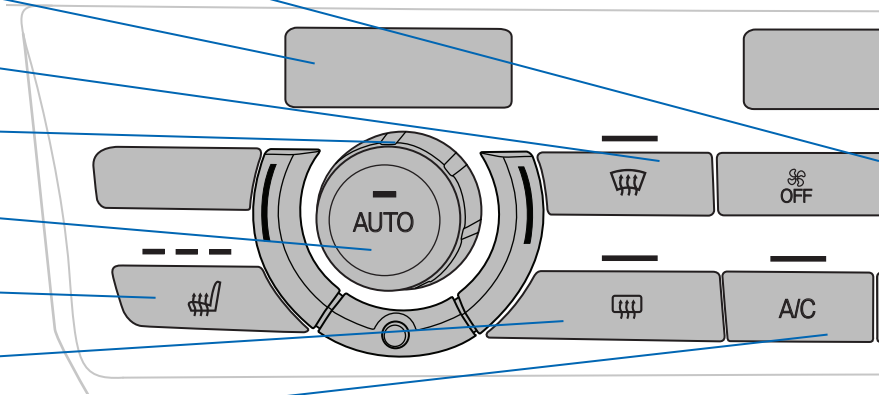
Temperature, left

AUTO program

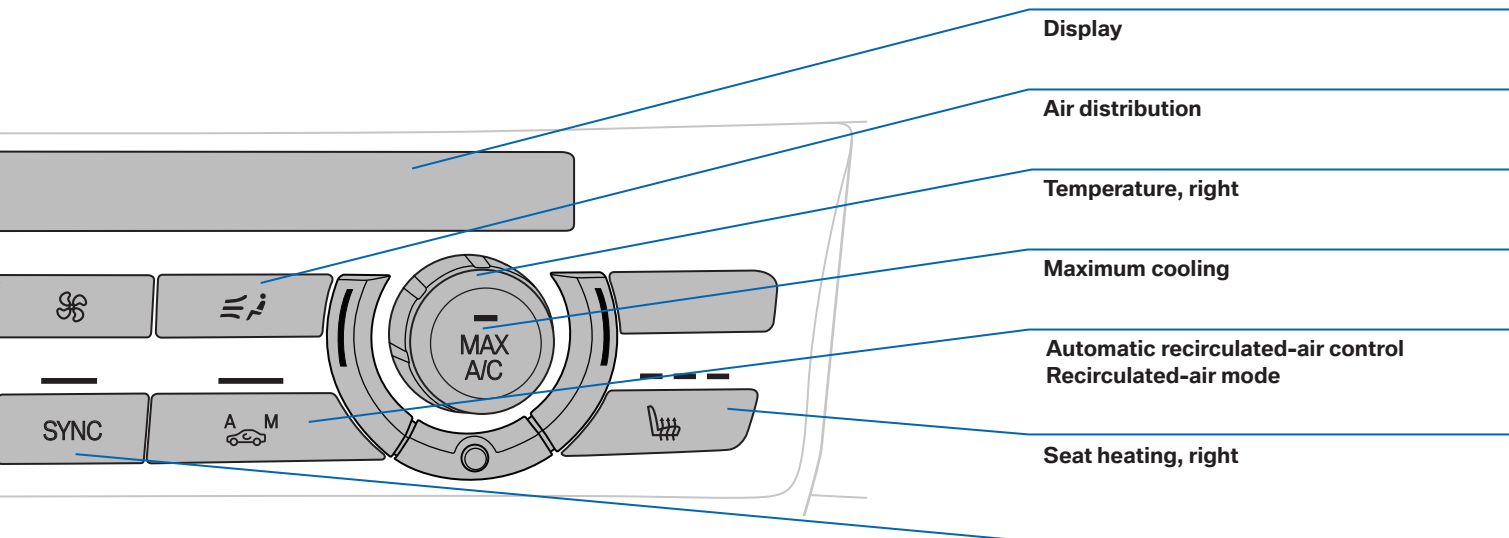
Seat heating, left

Air conditioning

Rear window defroster



Automatic climate control with enhanced functions



SYNC program

Driver's settings are transferred to the passenger side.



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Automatic climate control



AUTO program

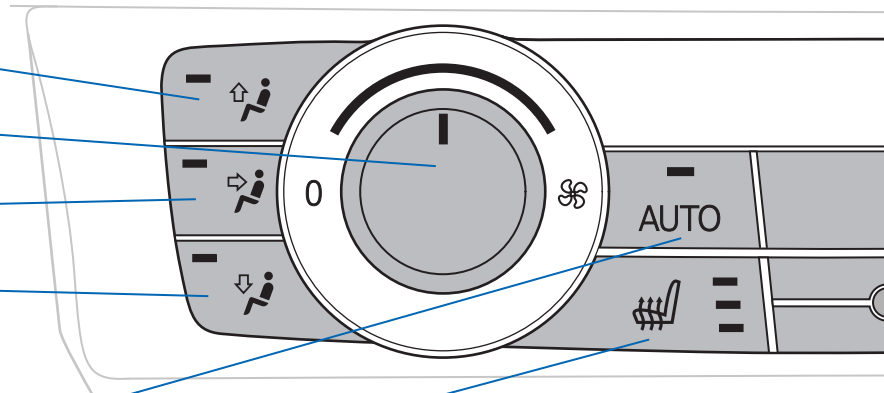
Air volume

Air distribution, windshield, and side windows

Air distribution, upper body area

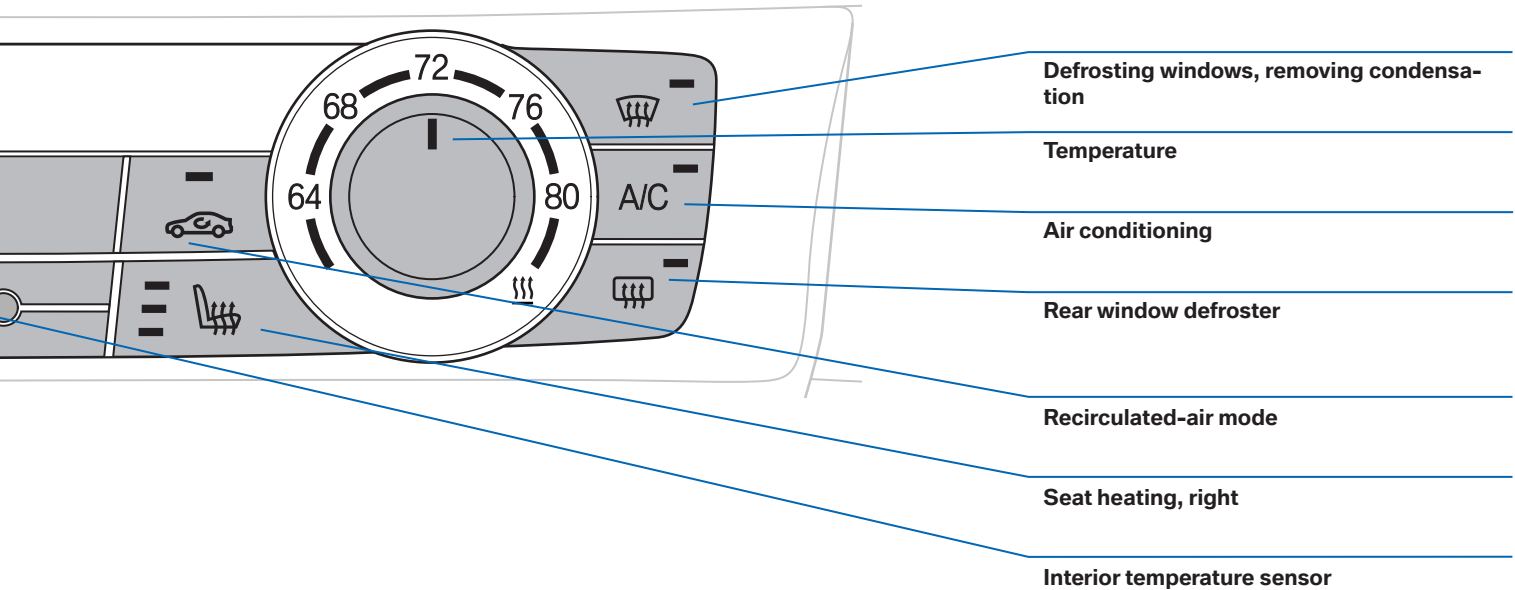
Air distribution, foot area

Seat heating, left



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Automatic climate control



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Ventilation

Changing the airflow direction, left side

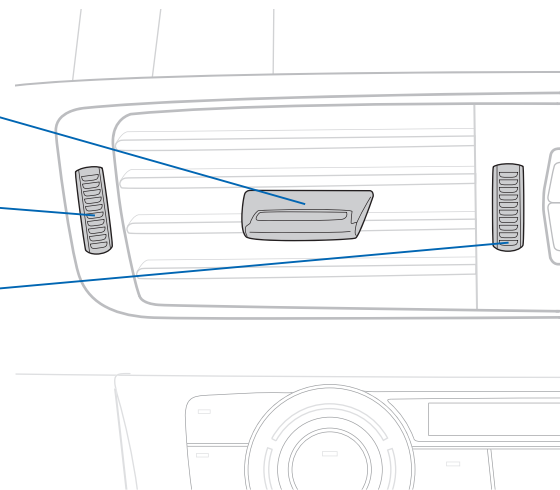
Opening and closing the air vents, left side

Fine adjustment, air temperature, upper body

Toward blue: colder.

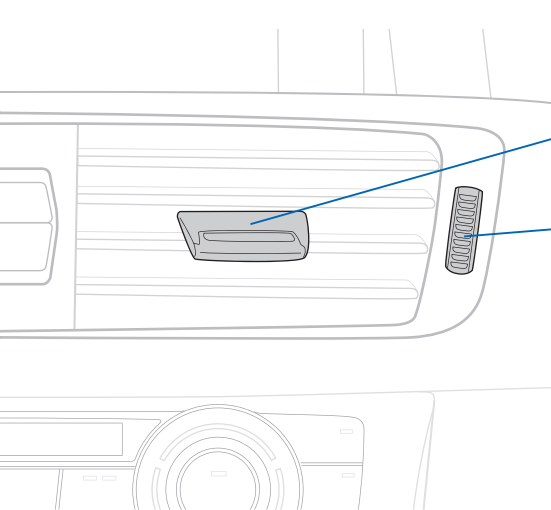
Toward red: warmer.

This does not change the selected interior temperature.



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Ventilation



Changing the airflow direction, right side

Opening and closing the air vents, right side

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Start/Stop button



Switching the ignition on/off

Press the Start/Stop button; while doing this, do not depress the brake pedal.

Starting the engine

Depress the brake pedal and press the Start/Stop button.

Engine off/radio ready state

When the vehicle is stationary, press the Start/Stop button.

If the engine is switched off and the ignition is switched on, the system automatically switches to the radio-ready state when the door is opened if the lights are switched off, or the daytime running lights are switched on.

Auto Start/Stop function

This function helps save fuel. It does this by automatically switching off the engine during stops. A display in the instrument cluster indicates that the Auto Start/Stop function is ready to start the engine automatically.

Automatic engine stop

The engine is switched off automatically during a stop under the following conditions:

- Selector lever in D.
- The brake pedal remains pressed or the vehicle is held by Automatic Hold.
- The driver's safety belt is buckled or the driver's door is closed.

Automatic engine start

Release the brake pedal.



Deactivating/activating the system manually

Press the button.

- The LED lights up: the Auto Start/Stop function is deactivated.
- The LED goes out: the Auto Start/Stop function is activated.

Even if driving away was not intended, the deactivated engine could start up automatically under certain circumstances. Note the additional information contained in the integrated Owner's Manual for Vehicle.

Parking lamps
Daytime running lights

Lamps off
Daytime running lights

Automatic headlamp control
Adaptive Light Control
High-beam Assistant
Welcome lamps
Daytime running lights

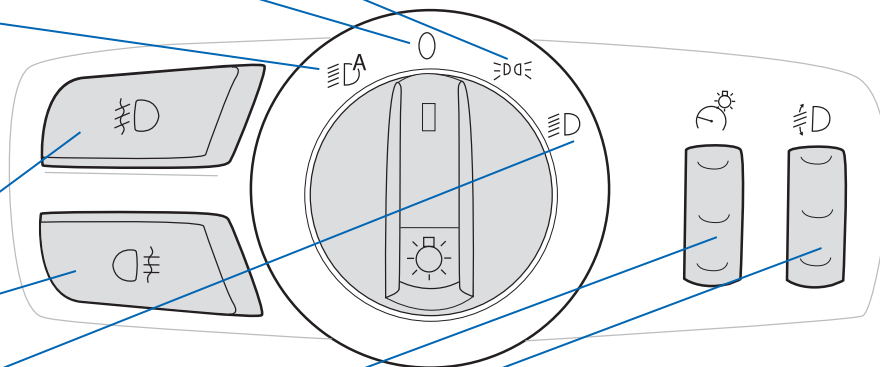
Front fog lamps

Rear fog lamps

Low beams
High-beam Assistant
Welcome lamps

Instrument lighting

Headlamp range control



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Automatic transmission with Steptronic/parking brake

P button

When the vehicle is stationary, press the button to engage transmission position P.

Unlock button

To shift out of P or into R:

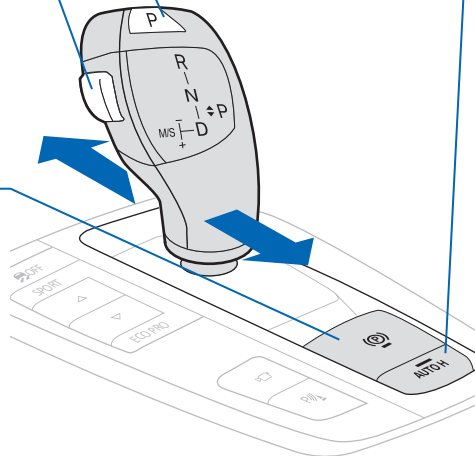
1. Depress the brake pedal while the engine is running.
2. Press the Unlock button.
3. Move the selector lever in the desired direction.

Applying the parking brake

Pull the switch; the LED lights up.

Releasing the parking brake

Press the switch with the brake pedal depressed or selector lever position P engaged; the LED goes out.



Automatic Hold

Automatically sets and releases the parking brake, such as in stop-and-go traffic.

To activate Automatic Hold:

Press the button.

The LED and AUTO H lettering light up.

To deactivate Automatic Hold:

Press the button again.

The LED and AUTO H lettering go out.

To make it possible for the vehicle to roll in an automatic car wash, take the following steps:

1. Drive into the car wash.
2. Engage selector lever position N.
3. Switch off the engine.

The vehicle can roll as long as the ignition remains switched on.

Driving stability control system

Dynamic Stability Control DSC

DSC prevents traction loss in the drive wheels when driving away and accelerating.

DSC also recognizes unstable vehicle conditions, such as fishtailing or nose-diving.

Subject to physical limits, DSC helps to keep the vehicle on a steady course by reducing engine speed and by applying the brakes at individual wheels.

DSC can be activated/deactivated using the Driving Experience Switch.

Dynamic Traction Control DTC

The DTC system is a version of the DSC in which forward momentum is optimized. The system ensures maximum forward momentum on special road conditions, such as unplowed snowy roads, but driving stability is limited.

DTC can be activated/deactivated using the Driving Experience Switch.

Vertical Dynamic Control

This system reduces undesirable vehicle motion when using a dynamic driving style or traveling on uneven road surfaces. This enhances driving dynamics and comfort as required for the road surface and driving style.

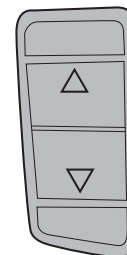
The system offers different programs. They can be selected using the Driving Experience Switch.

Driving Experience Switch

The Driving Dynamics Control can be used to adjust the driving dynamics of the vehicle. For this purpose various programs are available for selection that are activated via the two buttons of the Driving Dynamics Control and the DSC OFF-button.

Operating the programs

DSC OFF
TRACTION



SPORT+
SPORT
COMFORT
ECO PRO

Note the additional information contained in the integrated Owner's Manual for Vehicle.

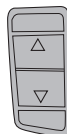
30 Driving ECO PRO



The concept

ECO PRO helps achieve a fuel-efficient driving style by adjusting the engine control and comfort functions such as climate control and the seat and mirror heating temperature.

Activating ECO PRO



Press the button repeatedly until ECO PRO appears in the instrument cluster.

Bonus range and driving style

By using an optimized driving style, you can achieve a better cruising range.

- Blue display: efficient driving style
- Gray display: adjust your driving style, for example by lifting your foot off the accelerator.

The bonus range attained can be displayed in the instrument cluster.

After refueling, the bonus range is automatically reset.

ECO PRO tips



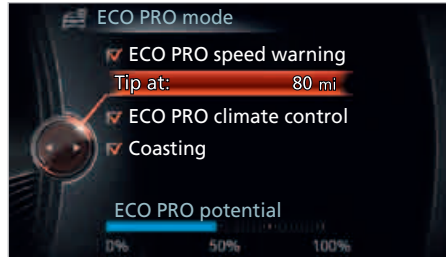
For efficient driving style, back off the accelerator or delay accelerating to allow time to assess road conditions.



Reduce the vehicle speed to the selected ECO PRO speed.



Shift from M/S to D or avoid manual shifting.

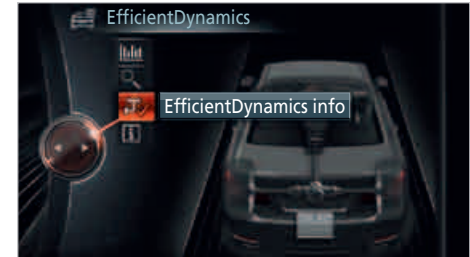


Configuring ECO PRO

Individual settings can be made.

1. "Settings"
2. "Driving mode"
3. "Configure ECO PRO"
4. Configure the program.

When coasting, the engine is automatically disengaged from the transmission in selector lever position D under certain conditions. The vehicle continues coasting in a fuel-saving manner. Selector lever position D remains engaged.



Displaying EfficientDynamics information

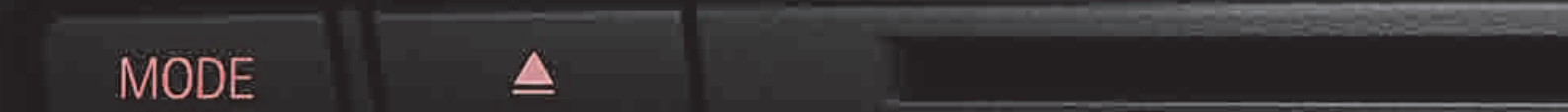
The currently active systems are displayed.

Icon: "EfficientDynamics info"

Vehicle-dependent systems are displayed:

- Auto Start/Stop function.
- Energy recovery.
- Climate control.
- Coasting.

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Ejecting the CD/DVD

Changing the entertainment source

Radio
CD/DVD
Music collection
External devices

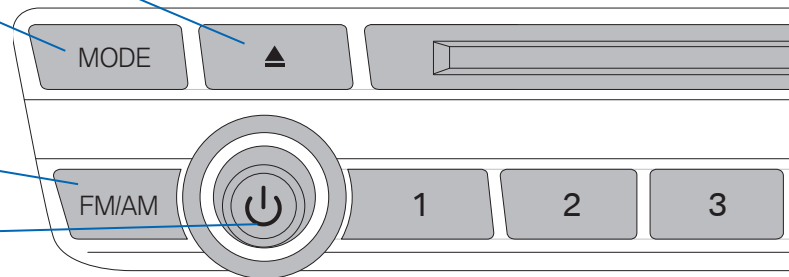
Changing the radio station waveband

Switching the radio on/off

Press the knob.

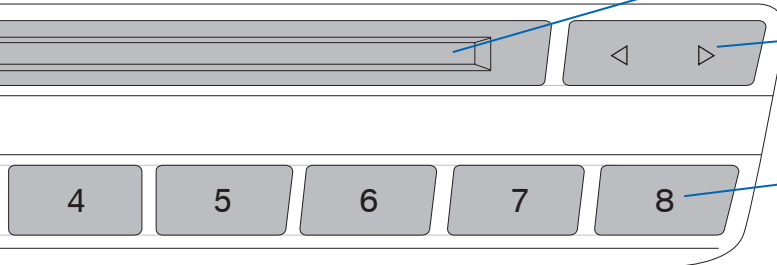
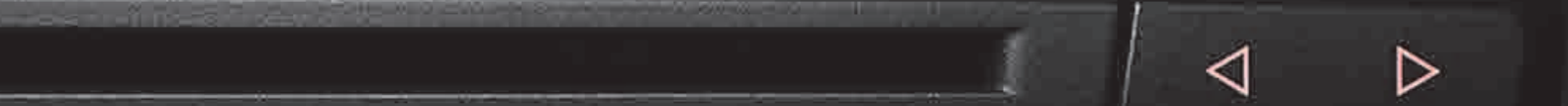
Setting the volume

Turn the knob.



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Controls



CD/DVD drive

Changing the station/track

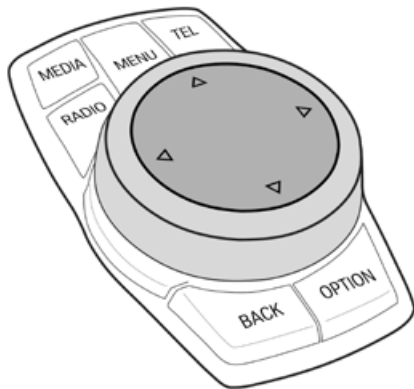
Programmable memory buttons

iDrive functions can be stored by prolonged pressing on the programmable memory buttons and called up directly, e.g., radio stations, navigation destinations, telephone numbers, and shortcuts in the menu.

Touching the buttons displays the stored function on the Control Display.

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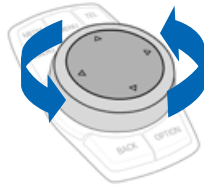
Controller with buttons and touchpad



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Controller/Control Display

Highlighting the menu item



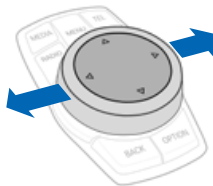
Turn the controller until the desired menu item is highlighted.

Opening the menu item



Press the controller.

Changing between panels



Move the controller.

Tip

After selecting a menu item such as "Radio", a new panel is displayed. Panels are individual menu pages on the Control Display. Panels can overlap.



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Buttons on the controller/touchpad

Opening the menus



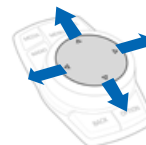
Press the button on the controller.

Touchpad



Some iDrive functions can be operated using the touchpad on the controller.
For example, characters can be entered in the same manner as they appear on the Control Display.

Moving the interactive map or webpages



Swipe with the finger in the appropriate direction.

The **BACK** button



The previous panel is re-opened.

Zooming in/zooming out on interactive maps or webpages



Draw your fingers together or push them apart.

The **OPTION** button



Open the "Options" menu.

Displaying a menu or opening a link in the web



Tap on it once.

Note the additional information contained in the integrated Owner's Manual for Vehicle.

Programmable memory buttons



The concept

iDrive functions can be stored on the programmable memory buttons and called up directly, e.g., radio stations, navigation destinations, telephone numbers, and shortcuts in the menu.

Saving a function

1. Highlight the function via the iDrive.
2. Press the desired button for longer than 2 seconds.

Executing a function

Press the button.

The function is executed immediately. This means, for example, that the number is dialed when a phone number is selected.



Displaying memory button assignments

Use a finger to touch the buttons.

The button assignment is displayed at the top edge of the screen.

To display short information: touch the button.

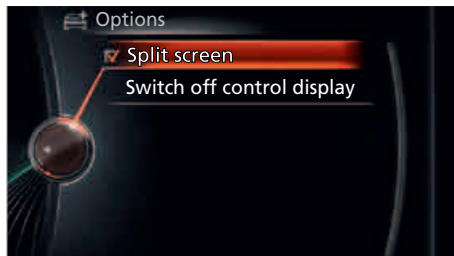
To display detailed information: touch the button for an extended period.

Tip

The content of the integrated Owner's Manual can also be saved on the programmable memory buttons.

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Split screen/voice activation system



Divided screen view, split screen

Additional information, such as information from the computer, can be displayed on the right side of the split screen. You can set which information is displayed.

Switching the split screen on/off

1. Open "Options".
2. "Split screen"

The split screen is activated and the information remains displayed, even if another menu is selected.



Voice activation system

The voice activation system can be used to operate functions by means of spoken commands. Most menu items that are displayed on the Control Display can be voice-activated.

Example: opening the FM waveband

1. Press the button on the steering wheel.
2. Wait for the signal.
3. Say >Radio menu<.



4. Say >F M menu<.

The list of available radio stations is displayed.

Having the possible commands read aloud

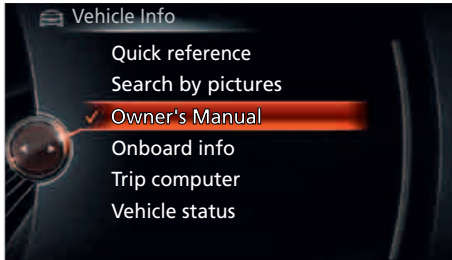
1. Press the button on the steering wheel.
2. Say >commands<.

Tip

The functions can also be opened directly using so-called short commands, such as >Map view with perspective<. To give these commands, speak without hesitation, loudly, and clearly. Avoid background noise such as that caused by open windows.

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Operation via iDrive



Integrated Owner's Manual

The BMW X3 comes with an integrated Owner's Manual, which contains all of the information necessary for you to make the best use of your vehicle. For safety reasons, the integrated Owner's Manual is only displayed when the vehicle is stationary.

Selecting the components

1. Open the main menu.
2. "Vehicle Info"
3. Select the desired section:
 - "Quick reference"
 - "Search by pictures"
 - "Owner's Manual"

Getting Help feature via iDrive

The integrated Owner's Manual for the currently selected menu can be displayed.

1. Open "Options".
2. "Display Owner's Manual"

The BACK and OPTION buttons can be used to switch between the integrated Owner's Manual and the currently selected menu. This is particularly helpful for functions with multiple operating steps.

Printed Owner's Manual

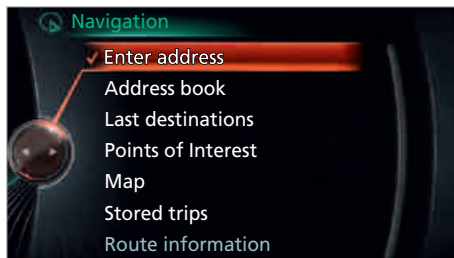
A printed Owner's Manual is contained in the vehicle document portfolio in the glove compartment or in the trunk.

Tip

Complex principles are explained quickly in videos in the integrated Owner's Manual.

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Entering a destination



Entering the address

The address can be entered by way of the building number, the street, and the town or cross-roads location.

Example: entering the address by way of the town

1. "Navigation"
2. "Enter address"

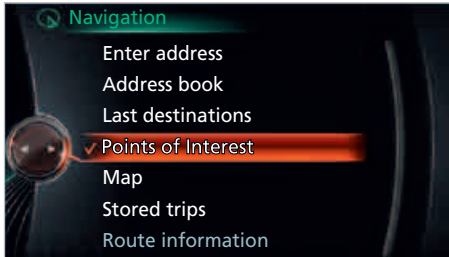
3. Select "State/Province" or the displayed state or province.
4. "Town/City/Postal Code"
5. Enter the town/city.
6. "OK"
7. Select the town from the list.
8. Enter the street as needed.
9. Enter the street as you would the town.
10. Enter the building number as needed.
11. "OK"
12. Select the building number or range of building numbers from the list.
13. "Start guidance"

Ending destination guidance

1. "Navigation"
2. "Map"
3.  "Guidance"
4. "Stop guidance"

Tip

Destination entry can be operated using the voice activation system. Town/city, street, and building number can also be spoken in one command.



Searching for points of interest

Selection of points of interest, such as filling stations or tourist attractions.

1. "Navigation"
2. "Points of Interest"
3. Select the type of search:
 - "Online search"
 - "A-Z search"
 - "Category search".
4. Enter the keyword or select in which town the special destinations are to be searched for.
5. Enter the search term or select a category. A list of the points of interest is displayed.



Setting the map view

Various types of map views may be set.

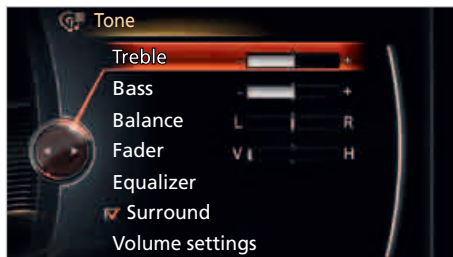
1. "Navigation"
2. "Map"
3.  "Map views"

Displaying additional information

1. "Navigation"
2. "Map"
3.  "Additional Info"
4. For example, "Perspective view in 3D"
Prominent areas present within the navigation data are displayed in 3D on the map.

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Tone/radio



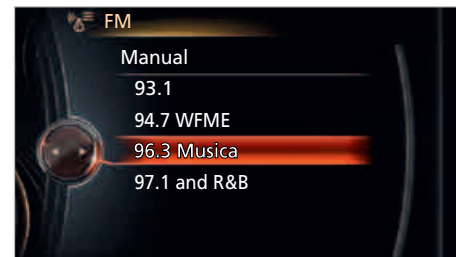
Adjusting the tone

1. "Multimedia", "Radio" or "Settings"
2. "Tone"
3. Select the desired tone settings.
4. To adjust: turn the controller.
5. To store: press the controller.



Selecting a station

1. "Radio"
 2. "FM" or "AM"
- The station played last is played and displayed.



3. "FM stations" or "AM stations"
 4. Select the desired station.
- The selected station is stored for the remote control currently in use.

Tip

The radio stations can be stored on the programmable memory buttons 1–8. Use the iDrive to select the radio station and press the desired button for several seconds.

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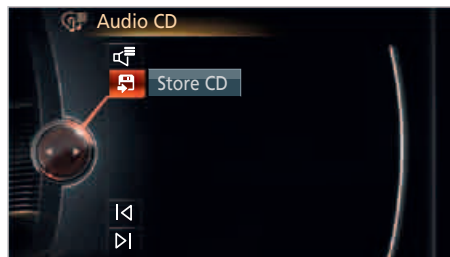
Music collection



Storing from a CD/DVD

Music tracks from CDs/DVDs and USB media may be stored in the music collection on a hard disk in the vehicle.

1. Insert the CD or DVD in the CD/DVD player.
2. "Multimedia"
3. "CD/DVD"
4.  Select the symbol for the CD/DVD player.

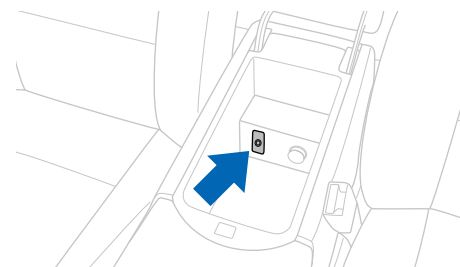


5. "Store CD"

The music collection is displayed and the first track is played. During storage, the tracks are played in sequence.

Observe the following during the storage process:

Do not switch to the CD/DVD drive and do not remove the CD/DVD from the CD/DVD drive as this will interrupt the storage process.



USB interface

Music can be stored via the CD/DVD player and compressed audio files can be stored via the USB interface in the center armrest.

Tip

Other audio sources can be activated without interrupting the storage process. Tracks from the current CD/DVD that have already been stored can be called up.

Additional information can be found in the Owner's Manual on navigation, entertainment, and communication.

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Telephone



Pairing the mobile phone with the vehicle

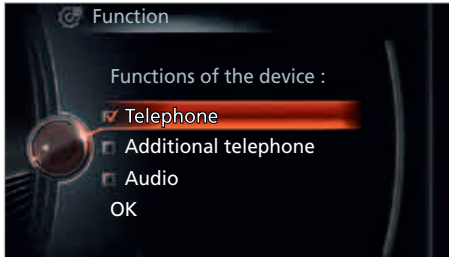
1. Switch on the ignition.
2. Activate Bluetooth on the vehicle and the mobile phone.
3. If necessary, adjust the mobile phone according to the Bluetooth presets, e.g., connection without confirmation or visibility.
4. If necessary, deactivate Bluetooth audio.
5. If necessary, define a 4 to 16-digit number as the Bluetooth passkey. This is only required for the one-time pairing procedure.
6. "Settings"
7. "Connections"
8. "Bluetooth®"
9. "Add new device"
The vehicle's Bluetooth name appears on the Control Display.
10. Perform additional steps on the mobile phone, such as searching for the Bluetooth device.
The Bluetooth name of the vehicle also appears on the mobile phone display.
11. Select the Bluetooth name of the vehicle on the mobile phone display.
12. Enter and confirm the same Bluetooth passkey on the mobile phone and via the iDrive, or compare the control number on the Control Display with the control number on the mobile phone display. Confirm the control number on the mobile phone and on the Control Display.
"OK"

Tip

Please ask your BMW center which mobile phones with a Bluetooth interface are supported. You can obtain additional information on the Internet at:
www.bmwusa.com/bluetooth

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13. Select the functions for which the mobile phone is to be used.

14. "OK"

The mobile phone is connected and displayed at the top of the mobile phone list.



Dialing a number

1. "Telephone"
2. "Dial number"
3. Select the digits individually.
4. Change to letters if necessary.
5.  Select the symbol to establish the call.

The connection is established via the mobile phone to which the telephone function has been assigned.



Dialing a number from the phone book

1. "Telephone"
2. "Phone book"
3. Select the desired entry.

Accepting a call

-  Press the button on the steering wheel.

Tip

Up to three mobile phones can be linked to the vehicle and used as a telephone, an additional telephone, or an audio player. Additional information can be found in the Owner's Manual on navigation, entertainment, and communication.

Tip

A phone number can also be dialed using the voice activation system. The connection is established via the mobile phone to which the telephone function has been assigned.

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Refueling/oil level



Refueling

To open the fuel filler flap, tap on the rear edge.

Fuel quality: gasoline

Only use unleaded gasoline without metal additives.

Fuel quality: BMW recommends AKI 91.

Minimum grade: BMW recommends AKI 89.

Maximum ethanol content: 10%, which corresponds to E10.

The ethanol should meet the following quality standards:

US: ASTM 4806-xx

CAN: CGSB-3.511-xx

xx: Note the standard applicable in each case.

Displaying the oil level

The oil level is monitored electronically and shown on the Control Display.

1. "Vehicle Info"
2. "Vehicle status"
3.  "Engine oil level"

For recommended oil grades, refer to the Owner's Manual.

Note the additional information contained in the integrated Owner's Manual for Vehicle.

Flat Tire Monitor FTM

The system identifies a loss of pressure by comparing the speeds of rotation of the individual wheels as the car is traveling.

The system must be initialized with the correct tire pressure in order for it to reliably respond in detecting a flat tire.

1. "Vehicle Info"
2. "Vehicle status"
3.  "Perform reset"
4. Start the engine; do not drive away.
5. Start the initialization with "Perform reset".
6. Drive away.

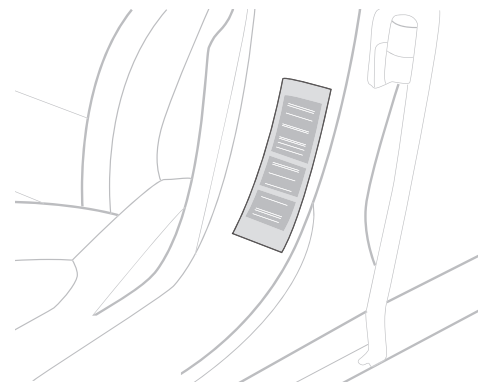
The FTM is not a substitute for carrying out tire pressure checks.

Tire Pressure Monitor TPM

TPM checks the inflation pressures of the four mounted tires. The system notifies you if there is a significant loss of pressure in one or more tires.

In order to assure that a flat tire is reported reliably, the system must be reset while all tire inflation pressures are correct.

1. "Vehicle Info"
2. "Vehicle status"
3.  "Perform reset"
4. Start the engine; do not drive away.
5. Reset the tire pressure using "Perform reset".
6. Drive away.



Tire pressure

The pressure values for approved tire sizes and speeds up to 100 mph/160 km/h can be found on the driver's door pillar.

If the tire's speed rating code is not listed, use the tire pressure for the corresponding size.

Initialize the FTM/TPM again after correcting the tire pressure or changing the tires/wheels.

Check the tire pressure in cold tires at least twice a month and before taking an extended trip.
Note the additional information contained in the integrated Owner's Manual for Vehicle.

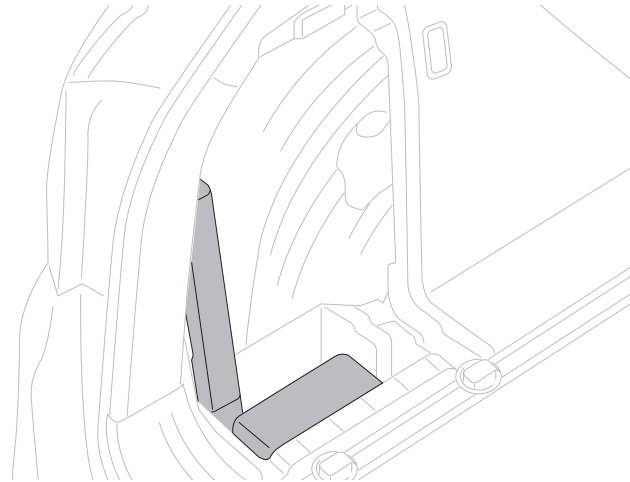
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Warning triangle, first aid kit



Warning triangle and first aid kit

The warning triangle and the first aid kit are located behind the left cover in the trunk. Release the holders to remove it.



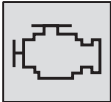
Socket for Onboard Diagnostics OBD

There is an OBD socket on the driver's side for checking the primary components in the vehicle emissions.

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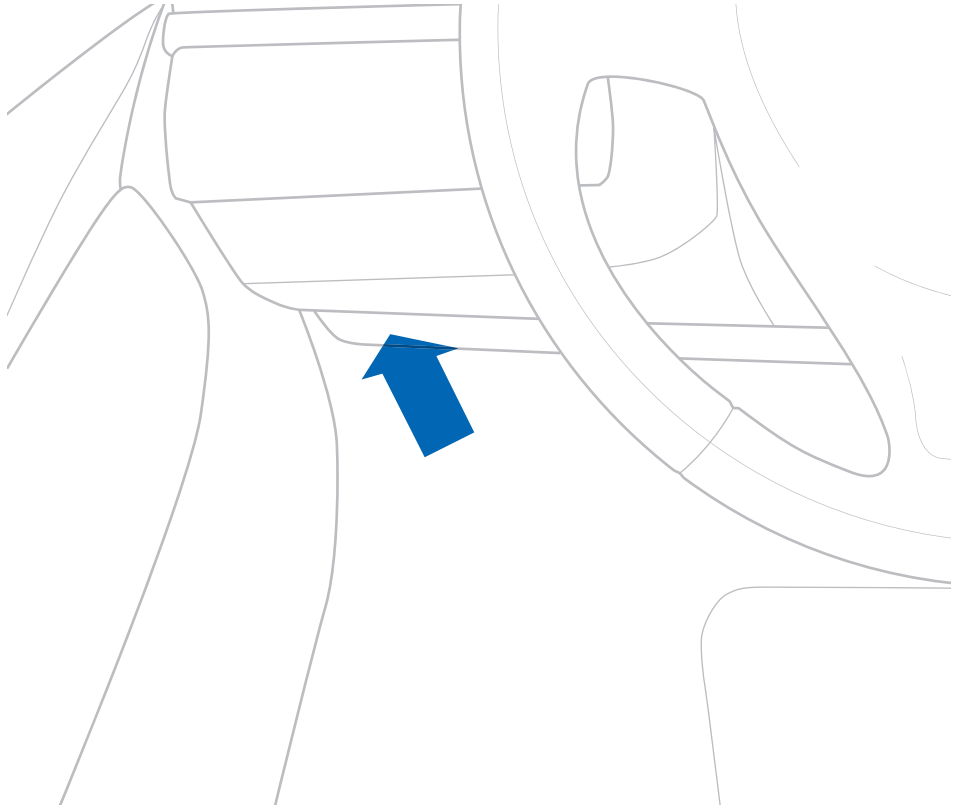
Emissions

The warning lamp lights up:
Emissions are deteriorating. Have
the vehicle checked as soon as
possible.



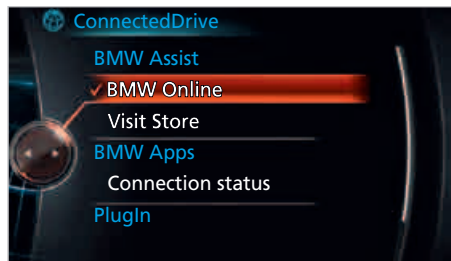
Indicator for the previously de-
scribed malfunctions in Canadian
models.

Note the additional information contained in
the integrated Owner's Manual for Vehicle.



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BMW Assist™ and Bluetooth® system



BMW Assist Safety Plan

Combining GPS location technology with hands-free wireless communication, BMW Assist connects you with a trained response specialist 24/7 to help you with almost everything while on the road.

The BMW Assist Safety Plan provides:

- Automatic Collision Notification
- Emergency Request (SOS)
- Enhanced Roadside Assistance
- Stolen Vehicle Recovery
- TeleService

Easy Access

To initiate the services, just go to "BMW Assist" in the main menu and select the desired service, or push the SOS button on the overhead console.

What You Need To Do

You must complete, sign, and submit a subscriber agreement with your salesperson. To decline services, you must complete, sign, and submit a "Waiver and Release" document. If neither action is taken, your BMW Assist services will be remotely deactivated approximately 60 days after you take delivery of your new vehicle.

Bluetooth hands-free calling

The BMW Assist system includes Bluetooth hands-free calling capability with speech recognition. See page 44 or visit www.bmwusa.com/bluetooth for BMW approved handsets and pairing instructions

Tip

You may even prepare some services offered by BMW Assist in the comfort of your home and send them to your vehicle via the Internet.

Tip

Upgrade to our optional Convenience Plan to receive directions, traffic and weather information, Critical Calling, Concierge services, online access to the Google Maps™ database, news headlines, up-to-date fuel prices and stock indices in your BMW X3 with BMW Search. Push the SOS button, call toll-free 1-888-333-6118, or log on to www.bmwassist.com to learn more.

BMW Roadside Assistance

Can be contacted if assistance is needed in the event of a breakdown.

Telephone

USA: (800) 332-4BMW (4269)

Canada: 1-800-267-8269

If possible, the vehicle and position data are transmitted in the process.

Towing

The safest method approved for transporting vehicles is to use a commercial flatbed carrier truck, dispatched via Roadside Assistance, and to secure the vehicle to the flatbed truck with four nylon wheel straps.

When pulling the vehicle onto a flatbed carrier truck, only use the screw-in tow fitting found in the tool kit.

Refer to the detailed towing instructions in the Owner's Manual.

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Any updates to the Owner's Manual for Vehicle can be found [here](#).

LED front fog lamps

These front fog lamps are made using LED technology. Contact your service center in the event of a malfunction.

Parking assistant

For an optimal parking position, tires approved by BMW of size R 19 or smaller are recommended.

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