

GETTING TO KNOW YOUR
2018 COLORADO ZR2

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Review this Quick Reference Guide for an overview of some important features in your Chevrolet Colorado ZR2. Some optional equipment described in this guide may not be included in your vehicle. More information can be found in your Owner's Manual and at **my.chevrolet.com/learn**. For easy reference, keep this guide with your Owner's Manual in your glove box.

Certain restrictions, precautions, and safety procedures apply to your vehicle. Please read your Owner's Manual for complete instructions.

INSTRUMENT PANEL OFF-ROAD FEATURES

The Colorado ZR2 has a variety of features that offer added functionality and performance on varying types of terrain.



SYMBOLS

2↑	2WD High		Off-Road Mode		StabiliTrak Off
AUTO	Auto 4WD High		Hill Descent Control		Low Tire Pressure
4↑	4WD High		Traction Control/StabiliTrak Active		Locking Front Axle
4↓	4WD Low		Traction Control Off		Locking Rear Axle

Refer to your Owner's Manual to learn about the information being relayed by the lights, gauges, and indicators on the instrument cluster.

See In Brief in your Owner's Manual.

OFF-ROAD MODE

Off-Road Mode changes the anti-lock brake, traction control, and stability control calibrations for different conditions. It also alters throttle progression and transmission shifts.

In Off-Road Mode:

- The locking rear axle does not have a speed limitation. The rear axle will remain locked up to the maximum vehicle speed.
- The StabiliTrak electronic stability control system is adjusted for off-road performance.
- Powertrain calibrations are optimized for off-road use.

Mode Summary	Standard		Off-Road	
	2 HI/4 HI	4 LO	2 HI/4 HI	4 LO
Throttle Progression	Normal	Low Range	Performance	Low Range
Transmission Shift Mode	Normal	Low Range	Performance	Low Range
Locking Rear Axle	Up to 25 mph	Up to 25 mph	Unlimited	Unlimited
Locking Front Axle	Not Available	Up to 25 mph	Not Available	Up to 25 mph
Anti-lock Brakes	Normal	Normal	Off-Road	Off-Road
Traction Control	Normal	Driveline Only	Off	Driveline Only
StabiliTrak	Normal	Off	Sport	Off

OFF-ROAD MODE CONTROL



► Press the **Off-Road Mode** control button on the center of the transfer case knob to turn Off-Road Mode on or off.

The Off-Road Mode symbol on the instrument cluster will illuminate when Off-Road Mode is active.

Note: *Off-Road Mode is calibrated for off-road driving conditions. It should not be used when driving on pavement.*

SHIFTING INTO OR OUT OF 4-WHEEL DRIVE

► To shift into or out of 4-wheel drive, rotate the knob to the desired position (2 HI, AUTO, 4 HI, 4 LO, or Neutral). Line up the indicator mark on the knob with the indicator light to command the shift.

The indicator light flashes while the shift is in progress and remains illuminated when the shift is complete. If the shift cannot be completed, the transfer case returns to the last chosen setting. The current four-wheel drive status is displayed on the Driver Information Center.

See Driving and Operating in your Owner's Manual.

LOCKING FRONT AND REAR AXLES

With the electronic locking front and rear axles and AutoTrac transfer case, nine drive configurations are available:

- 2-wheel drive
- 2-wheel drive, locked rear axle
- Auto 4-wheel drive
- Auto 4-wheel drive, locked rear axle
- 4-wheel drive high, locked transfer case
- 4-wheel drive high, locked transfer case and locked rear axle
- 4-wheel drive low, locked transfer case
- 4-wheel drive low, locked transfer case and locked rear axle
- 4-wheel drive low, locked transfer case, locked front and rear axles

LOCKING REAR AXLE

Lock the rear axle to gain additional traction from the rear wheels when driving in off-road conditions, on steep hills and on uneven terrain.



► With the vehicle moving less than 25 mph, press the **Locking Rear Axle** switch to lock or unlock the rear axle.

The rear axle is locked when the indicator light stops flashing and remains illuminated.

Note: *The locking rear axle will disengage when vehicle speed exceeds 25 mph unless Off-Road Mode is active.*

LOCKING FRONT AXLE

Lock the front axle to gain additional traction from the front wheels when driving at low speed in off-road conditions.

1. With the vehicle stopped or moving less than 3 mph and the transmission in Neutral, shift into 4WD LO. Shift the transmission into gear when the indicator light on the transfer case knob stops flashing.
2. With the vehicle moving less than 25 mph, press the **Locking Rear Axle** switch to lock the rear axle. The rear axle must be locked before the front axle can be locked.
3. With the vehicle moving less than 25 mph, press the **Locking Front Axle** switch to lock or unlock the front axle.

The front axle is locked when the indicator light stops flashing and remains illuminated. Locking the front axle also disables Hill Descent Control and the Antilock Brake System, which will cause the (ABS) warning light to illuminate.

Note: The locking front axle will disengage when vehicle speed exceeds 25 mph or the transfer case is shifted out of 4WD LO. Do not drive the vehicle on pavement with the front or rear axle locked. Do not try to lock the front or rear axle while the vehicle is stuck and the tires are spinning. This may damage the vehicle.

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HILL DESCENT CONTROL



Hill Descent Control sets and maintains vehicle speed when descending a very steep hill. It can maintain vehicle speeds from 3–19 mph on an incline greater than or equal to a 10% grade (or an incline of 6 degrees).

- Press the **Hill Descent Control** switch on the center of the instrument panel. Vehicle speed must be below 37 mph to enable the system. The symbol will illuminate on the instrument cluster.
- Increase or decrease speed by applying the accelerator or pressing the Cruise Control +/– buttons. The adjusted speed becomes the new set speed.

The symbol flashes when the system is actively applying the brakes to maintain vehicle speed.

Hill Descent Control will remain enabled between 19 and 37 mph, but vehicle speed cannot be set or maintained in this range. It will automatically disable if the vehicle speed is above 50 mph or above 37 mph for 30 seconds.

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TRACTION CONTROL AND STABILITRAK SYSTEMS



The traction control system limits wheelspin and the StabiliTrak electronic stability control system assists with directional control of the vehicle in difficult driving conditions. Both systems turn on automatically when the vehicle is started.

- To turn off traction control, press the **Traction Control/StabiliTrak Off** switch. The Traction Control Off symbol and StabiliTrak Off symbol on the instrument cluster will illuminate. Press the switch again to turn on traction control.
- To turn off traction control and StabiliTrak, press and hold the switch until the StabiliTrak Off message is displayed on the Driver Information Center. The Traction Control Off symbol and StabiliTrak Off symbol on the instrument cluster will illuminate. Press the switch to turn on both systems.

Note: *StabiliTrak will turn on automatically if the vehicle exceeds 35 mph unless Off-Road Mode is enabled and active.*

See Driving and Operating in your Owner's Manual.

OFF-ROAD INFORMATION

The Driver Information Center on the instrument cluster displays a variety of vehicle operating information.

Use the controls on the right side of the steering wheel to move between the display zones and menus.



OFF-ROAD PAGE

The Off-Road Page under the Info menu shows the traction, 4WD, and steering states. It also displays a lock icon when the front or rear axle is locked.



INFO PAGES

The Off-Road Page and other pages can be selected/deselected in the Options menu.

1. Select the Options menu. Press ✓ to enter the menu.
2. Scroll △▽ to view Info Pages. Press the ▷ button.
3. Select Edit List. Press ✓.
4. Scroll through the list of info pages and highlight the desired page. Press ✓ to select the item to be displayed.
5. Go to the Info menu to scroll through the selected pages.



See Instruments and Controls in your Owner's Manual.

OFF-ROAD DRIVING BASICS

BEFORE YOU GO

- Keep the vehicle in good condition by completing all necessary maintenance and service work.
- Fuel the vehicle, fill fluids, and check inflation pressure in all tires, including the spare tire. Inflate or deflate tires, if necessary, to the appropriate pressure.
- Make sure all cargo is securely stored in the vehicle. Secure cargo in the truck bed as far forward as possible.
- Always use established trails and roads. Know and comply with the local laws where you will be off-roading.
- Do not use the AUTO (Automatic 4WD) mode for off-roading, which sends power to the front and rear wheels automatically, based on driving conditions, if traction conditions are constantly changing. This may damage the transfer case clutch.

DRIVING ON HILLS

Before driving on a hill, assess the steepness, traction, and obstructions. Turn on the headlamps to make the vehicle more visible in all conditions.

When driving, use a low gear and maintain a slow speed. When possible, drive straight up or down the hill. Slow down when approaching the top of the hill.

DRIVING IN MUD, SAND OR SNOW

Use a low gear when driving in mud. Keep the vehicle moving to avoid getting stuck.

On loose sand, traction changes can occur and the tires may sink into the sand, affecting steering, acceleration, and braking. Drive at a reduced speed and avoid abrupt maneuvers.

On hard-packed snow and ice, traction is reduced and vehicle speed should be lowered accordingly.

DRIVING THROUGH WATER

If the standing water is not too deep, drive slowly through it. At faster speeds, splashing water may cause the vehicle to stall. After driving through water, the brakes will be wet and it may take longer to stop.

AFTER OFF-ROAD DRIVING

Remove any debris that has collected on the underbody or chassis. After operating in mud or sand, check and clean the brake linings. Also check under the vehicle and the wheels/tires for any damage.

See Driving and Operating in your Owner's Manual.

OFF-ROAD TIRES

The Colorado ZR2 features specially designed off-road tires for added traction.

TIRE PRESSURE MONITOR

The (!) Low Tire Pressure warning light on the instrument cluster illuminates when one or more of the vehicle's tires is significantly underinflated. Fill the tires to the proper tire pressures listed on the Tire and Loading Information label, located below the driver's door latch. Current tire pressures can be viewed on the Driver Information Center.



See Vehicle Care in your Owner's Manual.

We recommend always using ACDelco or genuine GM service parts.

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