

Quick Guide Outback 2019



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Remote Keyless Entry

1 Lock/Arm

- Press to lock all doors and the rear gate and activate the security alarm.
- If any of the doors or the rear gate are not fully closed, five rapid chirps will sound and the hazard lights will flash to alert you that the doors or the rear gate are not properly closed.
- To activate the vehicle finder function, press three times (within five seconds). If you are within 30 feet of the vehicle, the horn will sound one time and the hazard lights will flash three times.

2 Unlock/Disarm

- Press once to unlock the driver's door.
- Press twice (within five seconds) to unlock all doors.
- When the "Unlock/Disarm" button is pressed, the dome and map lights will illuminate if the dome light switch is in the middle position.

3 Unlocking the Rear Gate

- Press the button to unlock the rear gate.

4 Panic Alarm

- Press once and the horn will sound and the hazard lights will flash.
- Press any button on the remote to deactivate.

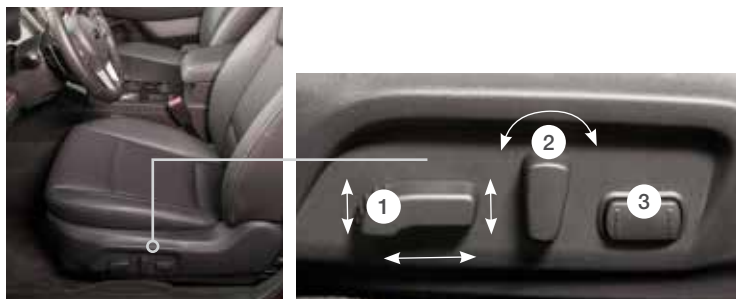


Keyless Access and Push Button Start (if equipped)

By simply carrying the access key in your pocket, you can lock and unlock doors, open the rear gate and start your car without having to take the key fob out of your pocket.



Seating



Power Driver's Seat (if equipped)

Do not adjust the seat while driving.

① Forward/Backward, Angle and Height

Move the switch toward the front or rear to move the seat forward or backward. Pull the switch up or push down on the front of the switch to adjust the angle of the seat cushion. Pulling the switch straight up or pushing the switch straight down will adjust the height of the entire seat cushion.

② Seatback

Move the switch in the corresponding direction to adjust the angle of the seatback.

③ Lumbar Support

Press the front part of the switch to increase lumbar support; press the rear part of the switch to decrease lumbar support.

Memory Driver's Seat (if equipped)

While pressing the "SET" button, press and hold the desired button "1" or "2". A beep sounds when the seat position is registered. Press button "1" or "2" to retrieve the seat positions.



Seating

Seat Controls

Do not adjust the seat while driving.

① Forward/Backward

Pull up on the lever below the front of the driver's seat to move the seat forward or backward.

② Raise/Lower Seat Cushion

To adjust the height of the driver's seat, pull up or push down the seat height adjustment lever, located on the lower left front of the seat.

③ Recline Seatback

To adjust the seatback to the desired position, pull up on the recline lever, located on the lower left rear of the driver's seat or lower right rear of the passenger's seat.



Heated Seats (if equipped)

Press the front seat heater switch. Each time you press the switch, the mode will change as follows: High, Mid, Low, Off.



Rear Seat Heater (if equipped)

Press the rear seat heater switch. Each time you press the switch, the mode will change as follows: High, Low, Off.



Folding the Rear Seat

From Inside the Vehicle

Push the release button on the top of the seatback that you want to fold down. To return the seatback to its original position, raise the seatback until it locks into place, making sure that it is securely locked.

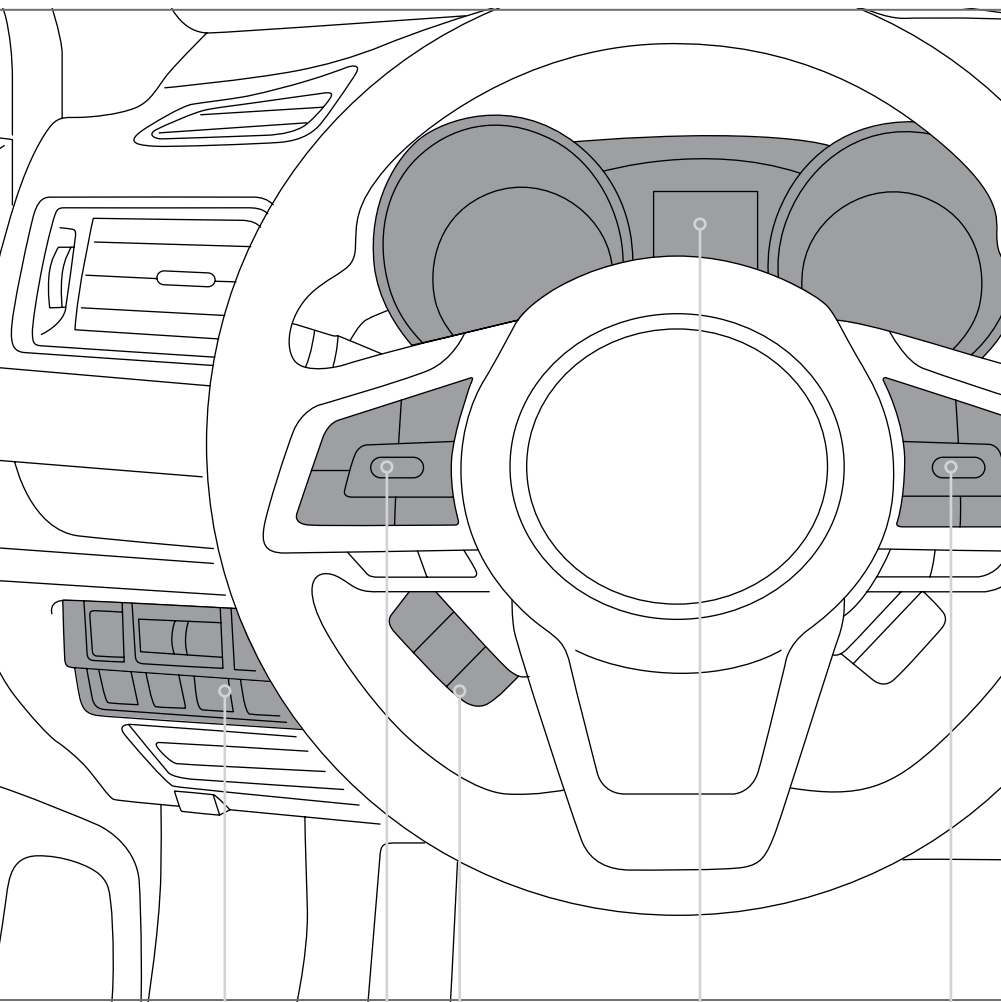


From the Rear of the Vehicle

Pull the release lever on the seat side that you want to fold down. To return the seatback to its original position, raise the seatback until it locks into place, making sure that it is securely locked.



Instrument Panel



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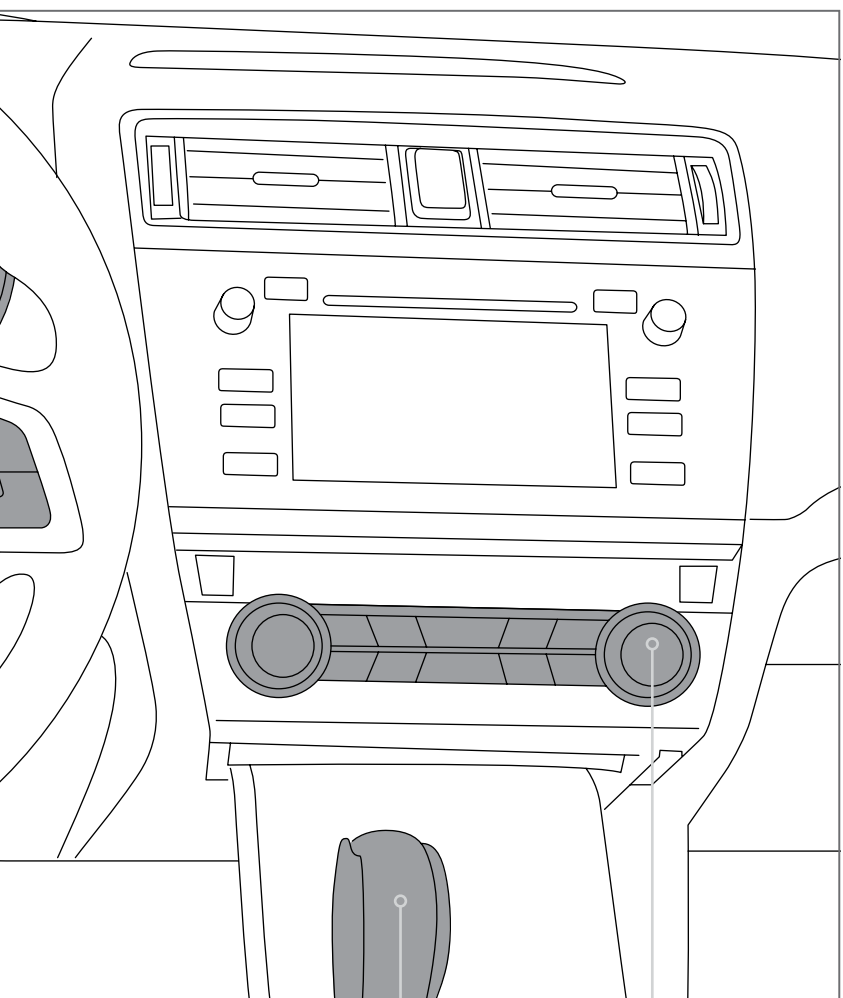
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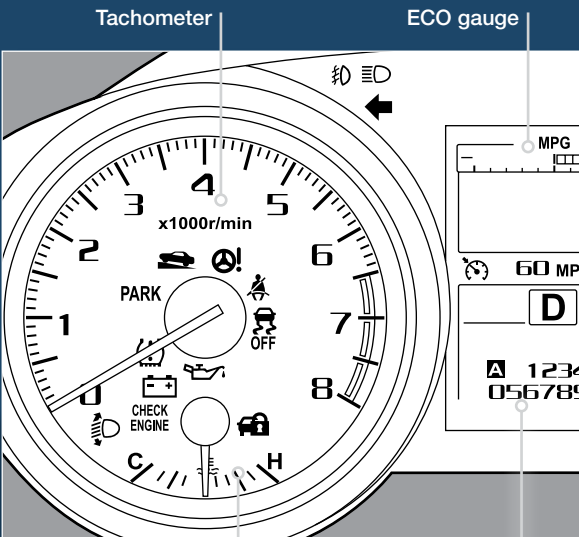
Gauges

Outback 2.5 L

- Immediate Attention
- Caution
- Informational



Trip meter reset button



Temperature gauge

Trip meter and odometer



Seatbelt warning



High beam indicator light



Front passenger seatbelt warning
(Located on overhead console)



AT OIL TEMP
(Automatic Transmission)



SRS airbag system



ABS warning



Security indicator light



Low fuel



Charge warning



All-Wheel Drive
(Automatic Transmission)



Oil pressure warning

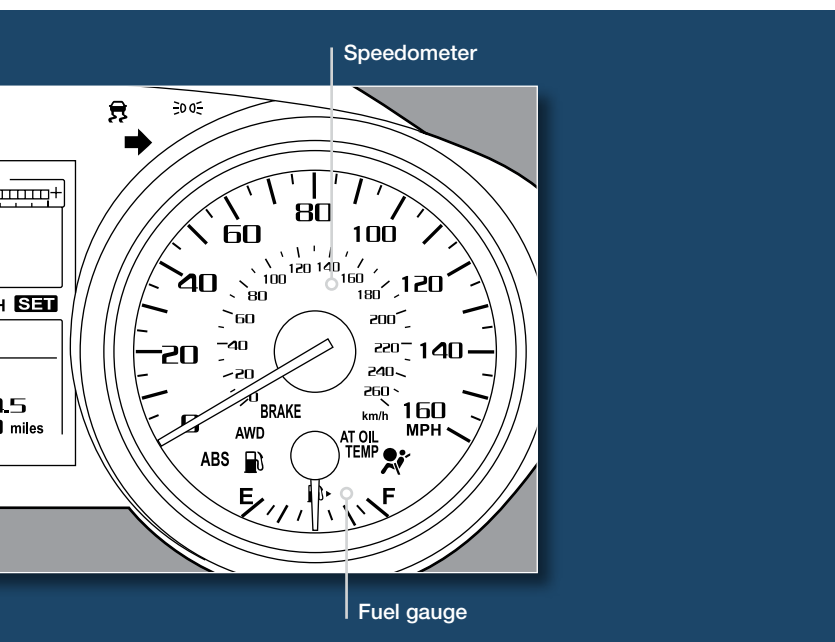


Headlight leveler
(if equipped)

BRAKE / Brake system



Power steering warning



Vehicle Dynamics Control/
Vehicle Dynamics Control
operation



Hill holder



Vehicle Dynamics Control OFF



Turn signals



CHECK ENGINE/
Malfunction indicator



Front fog light indicator
light (if equipped)



Tire pressure warning light



Headlight indicator light



Front passenger airbag ON
(Located on overhead console)



Front passenger airbag OFF
(Located on overhead console)

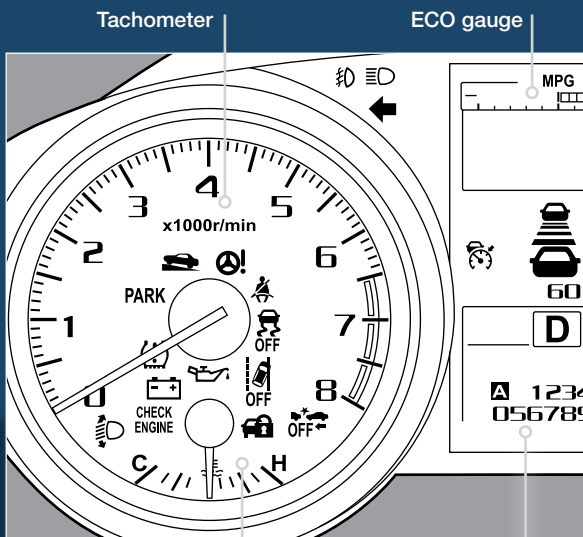
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Outback 2.5 L Limited
Outback 2.5 L Touring
Outback 3.6 L Limited
Outback 3.6 L Touring

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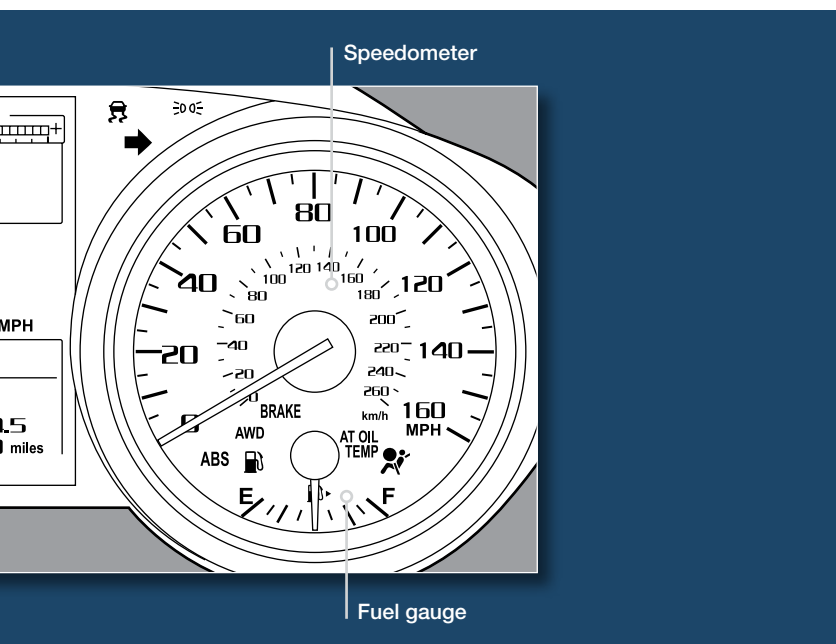


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Lane Departure Warning
OFF light



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Front passenger airbag OFF
(Located on overhead console)



Pre-Collision Braking System
OFF light

Personalize

Tilt and Telescopic Steering Column

Pull the lever down firmly to adjust the height and lengthwise position of the column; firmly push the lever back up to lock the column in place. Do not adjust while driving.



Heated Steering Wheel (if equipped)

To activate, pull the Heated Steering Wheel switch while the ignition is in the ON position. The indicator light on the switch will illuminate.

To deactivate, pull the Heated Steering Wheel switch again.



Power Exterior Mirrors

Turn the knob to the “L” side to adjust the left-hand mirror or to the “R” side to adjust the right-hand mirror. Move the knob in the direction you want to move the mirror. Then return the knob to the neutral/center position.



i/SET Combination Meter Display Controls (if equipped)

Use the i/SET controls to display and switch selected items in the Combination Meter Display located between the tachometer and odometer. Please refer to your Owner's Manual for details on these controls.



Controls

Light Controls

Push forward to change from low beam to high beam. Pull the lever back to center to return to low beam.

Push slightly up for lane change or fully up for right turn signal.

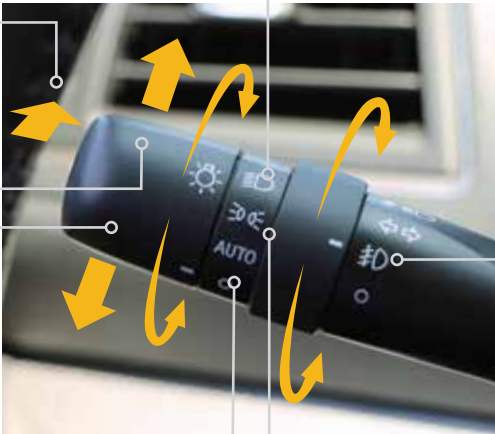
Push slightly down for lane change or fully down for left turn signal.

AUTO: The vehicle's lights are automatically on or off, depending on the level of outside light.

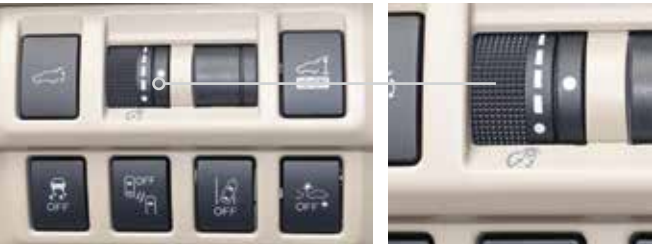
Turns on headlights, instrument panel illumination, parking lights, tail lights and license plate lights.

Rotate to turn on fog lights (if equipped).

Turns on instrument panel lights, tail lights, parking lights and license plate lights.



While the light switch is on, rotate the dial downward to dim the instrument panel illumination. Rotate the dial upward to make the illumination brighter. When the dial is fully rotated upward (dots aligned), the instrument panel illumination stays at full brightness.





Windshield Wipers

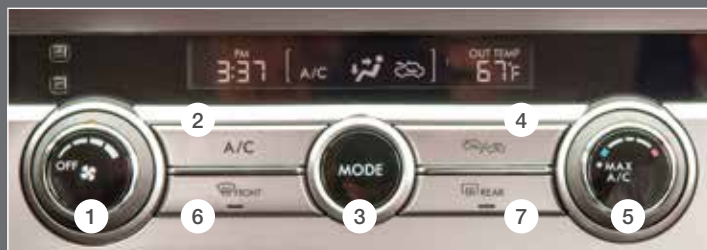
To turn on the wipers, press the wiper control lever down one level for intermittent, two levels for low, or three levels for high speed. Return the lever to the “OFF” position to stop the wipers. For a single wipe, move the lever up. To spray washer fluid, pull and hold the lever toward you. Rotate the dial to adjust the intermittent wiper speed.

To operate the rear wiper, rotate the end of the knob upward to the intermittent, continuous, or wash position. When the rear wiper is off, rotate the knob downward to wash and wipe the rear window.

Daytime Running Lights

Daytime running lights are standard on your vehicle. Only the front daytime running lights will be automatically turned on when the engine has started, the parking brake is fully released and the light switch is in the “OFF”, “AUTO” or “” position. The brightness of the illumination of the high beam headlights is reduced by the daytime running light system. You must always switch on your headlights when it is dark outside by turning the light switch to the “” position or have the switch in the “AUTO” position.

Controls



Manual Climate Control (if equipped)

- ① **Fan Speed Control Dial**
Rotate the fan speed control dial to select the desired fan speed.
- ② **Air Conditioning Button**
Press the “A/C” button to activate the air conditioning. Press it again to turn off the air conditioning.
- ③ **Air Flow Mode Selection Button**
Press the “MODE” button to select the desired air flow mode. The selected air flow mode – either ventilation, bi-level, heat or heat-defrost – is shown on the display.
- ④ **Recirculated/Outside Air Button**
Press the air inlet selection button to prevent outside air from being drawn into the passenger compartment. If the button is pushed in, press it again to draw outside air into the compartment.
TO PREVENT WINDSHIELD FOGGING, DO NOT REMAIN IN THE RECIRCULATED MODE FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME.
- ⑤ **Temperature Control Dial**
Rotate the temperature control dial from blue for cool, to red for warm. Rotate the dial all the way left for MAX A/C.
- ⑥ **Defrost/Defog**
To clear the windshield and front door windows of fog or frost, press the defrost button, set the temperature control to the red position, and set the fan speed control to the fastest speed.
While in defrost mode, the air inlet selection and A/C will operate automatically (although the A/C indicator will illuminate if the button was depressed prior to or during defrost mode).
- ⑦ **Rear Window Defogger Button**
Press the rear window defogger button to turn on the defogger. The defogger will automatically shut off after about 15 minutes. If the window clears before that time, you can press the button again to turn it off.



Dual Zone Automatic Climate Control System (if equipped)

- ① **Automatic On and Off**
This system automatically controls outlet air temperature, fan speed, air flow distribution, air inlet control, and air conditioner compressor operation. Press "AUTO" to activate. Press "OFF" to turn off the system.
- ② **Temperature Control Dial**
Rotate the dial clockwise to increase the temperature or rotate the dial counterclockwise to decrease the temperature. The temperature is displayed digitally on the screen.
Separate temperature settings can be adjusted for the driver's side and passenger's side.
- ③ **SYNC Button**
Press the button to synchronize both the driver's side and passenger's side temperatures using the driver's side temperature control.
- ④ **Air Conditioner Button**
Press the "A/C" button to activate the air conditioning. Press it again to turn off the air conditioning.
- ⑤ **MAX Air Conditioner Button**
For quicker cooling, press the MAX A/C button.
- ⑥ **Air Flow Mode Selection Button**
Press the button to select the desired air flow mode. The selected air flow mode – either ventilation, bi-level, heat, heat-defrost or defrost – is shown on the display.
- ⑦ **Fan Speed Control Buttons**
Press the fan speed control buttons to select the desired fan speed.
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- ⑨ **Defroster Button**
Press the button to defrost or dehumidify the windshield and front door windows.
- ⑩ **Rear Window Defogger Button**
Press the button to turn on the defogger. It will automatically shut off after about 15 minutes. If the window clears before that time, you can press the button again to turn it off. If equipped, the outside mirror defogger and windshield wiper deicer will also activate.

Controls

Power Moonroof (if equipped)

With the moonroof in the fully closed position, press the switch ① to tilt the rear of the moonroof up. Press the switch ② to lower the moonroof. Press the switch ③ to open the moonroof most of the way; press it again to fully open it. Press the switch ④ to close the moonroof. To stop the moonroof in a midway position while opening or closing, momentarily press the switch to the ③ side or ④ side.



Vehicles with EyeSight and/or SUBARU STARLINK™ Safety and Security System.



HomeLink® 5 Accessory Mirror (if equipped)

The HomeLink 5 accessory mirror provides three buttons to replace up to three hand-held radio frequency remotes used to activate devices such as garage door openers, gate openers, entry door locks, security systems and home lighting. Please see your Owner's Manual for programming instructions or visit www.subaru.com/homelink to view a how-to video.





Instrument Panel Switches (lower left)

Please refer to your Owner's Manual for details on these switches.

- ① Power rear gate switch (if equipped)
- ② Vehicle Dynamics Control OFF switch
- ③ Blind Spot Detection/Rear Cross Traffic Alert OFF switch (if equipped)
- ④ Lane Departure Warning OFF switch (if equipped)
- ⑤ Power rear gate memory switch (if equipped)
- ⑥ Pre-Collision Braking System OFF switch (if equipped)

Controls

Steering Wheel Audio Controls (if equipped)

With any of the radio modes selected, press the left or right arrow button to toggle through your presets. In CD mode, press the buttons to skip forward or back a track.



Press the button to select the desired audio mode – FM, AM, SXM, CD, AUX, MEDIA.

Push the switch up (+) to increase volume or down (–) to decrease volume.

Voice recognition switch; please refer to your SUBARU STARLINK™ Owner's Manual.

Auxiliary Input Jack

The 3.5mm auxiliary input jack is located in the front of the center console. You can connect a portable music player to the auxiliary jack and hear the music stored on it through the vehicle speakers. Press the “SOURCE” button located on the audio system to select the auxiliary mode.



USB Port

The USB port(s) is/are located in the front of the center console. You can connect a USB-equipped portable music player to the USB port and hear the music stored on it through the vehicle speakers. Press the “SOURCE” button located on the audio system repeatedly until the USB mode is selected.

Adaptive Cruise Control

Press to increase following distance setting while using Adaptive Cruise Control. Press and hold to switch to Conventional Cruise Control.

Press to activate or deactivate Adaptive Cruise Control function.



RES/+ switch

SET/- switch

Press to decrease following distance setting while using Adaptive Cruise Control. Press and hold to switch to Conventional Cruise Control.

Press to activate or deactivate Lane Keep Assist.

RES/+ Switch

Press to resume set speed or increase set speed while in either Adaptive or Conventional Cruise Control.

SET/- Switch

Press to set current speed or decrease set speed while in either Adaptive or Conventional Cruise Control.

While Operating

Electronic Parking Brake

To apply, depress the brake pedal and pull up the parking brake switch. The brake system warning light on the instrument panel and the indicator light on the parking brake switch will illuminate.

To release, make sure all doors are closed and your seatbelt is fastened, then gently push the accelerator pedal. Or, while the ignition switch is in the ON position and the brake pedal is depressed in, push down the parking brake switch.

X-MODE®

X-MODE® is the integrated control system of the engine, AWD and Vehicle Dynamics Control system. Press the X-MODE button to activate. Press it again to deactivate. Please refer to your Owner's Manual for operational parameters and details about this feature.



Hill Holder™ Function

To activate, press the Hill Holder switch. To deactivate, press the Hill Holder switch again. When the Hill Holder function is activated, the parking brake will be automatically applied when stopped on an uphill or downhill slope with the brake pedal pushed down. The brake system warning light on the instrument panel and the indicator light on the parking brake switch will illuminate.

Paddle Shift Control Switches (if equipped)

- Temporary use: Even when the selector is in the “D” (Drive) position, you can temporarily shift the gear by pulling the “+” or “-” paddle shift control switch. The transmission will automatically switch back to Normal Mode.
- When the selector lever is in Manual Mode, shift to the next higher gear by pulling the “+” paddle shift control switch on the steering wheel. Pull the “-” paddle shift control switch to shift into the next lower gear.



Manual Shifting Operation

Arrow-shaped lights in the center of the instrument panel show whether an upshift is possible and whether a downshift is possible.



Automatic Transmission Shift Mode

The Continuously Variable Transmission (CVT) gives you ultimate control with two different driving modes: Normal Mode and Manual Mode.

Normal Mode

When the selector lever is in the “D” (Drive) position, the transmission is in Normal shift mode. The shift position indicator on the instrument panel shows “D” and the transmission automatically shifts into a suitable forward gear.

Manual Mode

In Manual Mode, you select the desired gear position to obtain necessary acceleration and engine braking. Moving the selector lever left into the manual gate ① from the “D” (Drive) position causes the transmission to change into Manual Mode. To shift, use the paddle shift control switches. The shift position indicator shows the selected gear position.

Safety/In Case of Emergency



Child Restraint System

Your vehicle is equipped with Lower Anchors and Tethers for Children (LATCH). For maximum safety, first carefully read the LATCH system instructions from the device manufacturer, as well as the installation instructions in your Owner's Manual, to properly install the LATCH compatible restraint system. Use the appropriate seatbelts or anchorages provided in your vehicle. Children age 12 and under must properly occupy the rear seat at all times.

Child Safety Locks

The child safety locks are located on the inside edges of the rear doors. In the locked position, the rear doors can only be opened from the outside.



Location of Spare Tire and Jack

A jack and other maintenance tools are stored in the tool bucket in the center of the spare tire, located in the trunk or cargo area. Raise the center lid and remove the bucket from the center of the spare tire. Take the jack out of the bucket. The jack handle is stowed on the back of the floor cover of the trunk.



Emergency Towing Your All-Wheel Drive Vehicle

Since Subaru Symmetrical All-Wheel Drive distributes engine power to all four wheels, improper towing will severely damage your AWD system. A flatbed truck is the only recommended way to properly transport your AWD vehicle. If towing is necessary, it is best done by your Subaru Retailer or a commercial towing service.

Subaru Roadside Assistance

Subaru Roadside Assistance is free and standard on your vehicle. Coverage is automatic; there are no forms to complete. Subaru Roadside Assistance is available anytime during the 3-year/36,000-mile Subaru Limited Warranty, whichever comes first.* A Subaru Roadside Assistance decal has been affixed to the driver's door window.

Subaru Roadside Assistance:
1-800-261-2155

Exclusions

Specifically excluded from Subaru Roadside Assistance coverage are service requests or claims resulting from: accidents, vandalism, acts of God, violation of any laws, misuse and abuse, or vehicle modifications not recommended by the manufacturer.

*See your Retailer for details.

Additional Information

Fuel

For both the 2.5 liter 4-cyl. engine and the 3.6 liter 6-cyl. engine, use regular unleaded gasoline with an octane rating of 87 AKI or higher. Consult the Owner's Manual for more detailed information.

Fuel Capacity

- 18.5 US gal (70 liters, 15.4 Imp gal)
- When the low fuel indicator light is displayed on the instrument panel, approximately 2.6 US gal (10.0 liters, 2.2 Imp gal) of fuel remain.
- If you have recently fueled your vehicle, the Check Engine light on the instrument panel may stay on due to a missing or loose fuel filler cap (the cap should be tightened until a click is heard).

Fuel Filler Lid Release

The fuel fill lid release is located on the floor to the left of the driver's seat. To open the fuel filler lid, pull the fuel filler lever up and release.



Engine Oil

Use only the following oils:

- API classification SN with the words “RESOURCE CONSERVING.”
 - Or ILSAC GF-5, which can be identified with the ILSAC certification mark (Starburst mark).
- 2.5 L models use 0W-20 synthetic, replacement interval 6,000 miles under normal driving conditions. No requirement at the first 3,000 miles.
- 3.6 L models use 5W-30, replacement interval 6,000 miles under normal driving conditions. No requirement at the first 3,000 miles.

Engine Oil Capacity

- 2.5 L models: 5.1 US qt (4.8 liters, 4.2 Imp qt)
- 3.6 L models: 6.9 US qt (6.5 liters, 5.7 Imp qt)

Engine Compartment

Please refer to your Owner's Manual for more information.

2.5 L Engine



Note: Callouts apply to both engines.

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|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| ① Brake Fluid Reservoir | ⑥ Engine Coolant Reservoir |
| ② Main Fuse Box | ⑦ Radiator Cap |
| ③ Windshield Washer Tank | ⑧ Engine Oil Dipstick |
| ④ Battery | ⑨ Air Cleaner Element |
| ⑤ Engine Oil Filler Cap | |

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