Getting to Know Your

2017 Sonic

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Review this Quick Reference Guide for an overview of some important features in your Chevrolet Sonic. More detailed information can be found in your Owner Manual. Some optional equipment described in this guide may not be included in your vehicle. For easy reference, keep this guide with your Owner Manual in your glove box.
Instrument Panel

Symbols

- Low Fuel
- Door Ajar
- Traction Control Off
- Engine Coolant Temperature
- Brake System
- Cruise Control Set
- StabiliTrak Active
- StabiliTrak Off
- Speed Sensitive Power Steering
- Low Tire Pressure
- Reduced Engine Power
- Code Set
Refer to your Owner Manual to learn about the information being relayed by the lights, gauges and indicators on the instrument cluster.

See In Brief in your Owner Manual.
Unlock
Press to unlock the driver’s door and liftgate/trunk. Press again to unlock all doors.

Lock
Press to lock all doors and liftgate/trunk.

Trunk
(Sedan model only)
Press twice (Keyless Open) or press and hold (Key Access) to open the trunk.

Note: To change the remote lock and unlock settings, go to the Lock and Unlock menus in the Vehicle Settings.

Vehicle Locator/Panic Alarm
Press and release to locate your vehicle. The turn signal lamps will flash and the horn will sound.
Press and hold for 3 seconds to activate the alarm.

Remote Vehicle Start✦
Press and release the Lock button and then press and hold the button until the turn signal lamps flash to start the engine from outside the vehicle. After entering the vehicle, turn the ignition to the On position before driving.
• During a remote start, the engine will run for 10 minutes.
• Press and hold the button until the parking lamps turn off to cancel a remote start.

See Keys, Doors and Windows in your Owner Manual.

Keyless Open✦
Keyless Open enables operation of the doors, liftgate and ignition without removing the Remote Keyless Entry transmitter from a pocket or purse. The transmitter must be within 3 feet of the door being unlocked or the liftgate.

Keyless Unlocking
With the transmitter within range:
► Press the lock button on the driver’s door handle to unlock the driver’s door; press it again within 5 seconds to unlock all doors and the liftgate.
► Press the lock button on the passenger’s door handle to unlock all doors and the liftgate.
► Pull the handle above the license plate to open the liftgate.

Keyless Locking
With the ignition off, the transmitter out of the vehicle, and all doors closed:
► Press the lock button on any door handle to lock all doors and the liftgate immediately.
► If Passive Locking is turned on, all doors and the liftgate will lock automatically after a short delay once all doors and the liftgate are closed.

Note: To change the door lock settings, go to Vehicle > Power Door Locks in the Settings menu.

See Keys, Doors and Windows in your Owner Manual.
Keyless Start

The Remote Keyless Entry transmitter must be in the vehicle to turn on the ignition.

Starting the Engine
► With the transmission in Park or Neutral, press the brake pedal (automatic transmission) or the clutch pedal (manual transmission) and then press the ENGINE START/STOP button. The green button indicator will illuminate.

Stopping the Engine/Off
► Shift to Park (automatic transmission only) and press and hold the ENGINE START/STOP button.

Accessory Mode
► With the engine off and the brake pedal (automatic transmission) or clutch pedal (manual transmission) not depressed, press the ENGINE START/STOP button to place the vehicle in accessory mode. The amber button indicator will illuminate.

See Driving and Operating in your Owner Manual.

Driver Information Center

The Driver Information Center (DIC) on the instrument cluster displays a variety of vehicle system information and warning messages.

DIC Controls
A. MENU
Press to display the Trip menu (may include digital speedometer, trip odometers, fuel range, average fuel economy, average vehicle speed, instantaneous fuel economy, and timer) or the Vehicle Information menu (may include remaining oil life, units and tire learn).

B. ▲▼
Rotate the switch to scroll through the items of each menu.

C. SET/CLR
Press the button on the end of the lever to set a menu item or clear a message. Press and hold the button to reset a menu item.

Note: The CODE Code Set indicator displays with a number on the Driver Information Center when the status of the vehicle has changed and action may be needed to correct the condition. Refer to your Owner Manual for code information.

See Instruments and Controls in your Owner Manual.
Seats

**Manual Driver’s Seat**

A. **Seat Fore/Aft Adjustment**
   Lift the handle under the front of the seat near the center console to slide the seat forward or rearward.

B. **Seat Height Adjustment**
   Ratchet the middle lever up or down repeatedly to raise or lower the seat.

C. **Seatback Recline Adjustment**
   Lift the rear lever to recline or raise the seatback.

**Power Driver’s Seat**

D. **Seat Adjustment**
   Move the control to move the seat forward or rearward and to tilt, raise or lower the seat.

E. **Seatback Recline Adjustment**
   Lift the lever to recline or raise the seatback.

**Folding Rear Seats**

1. Make sure the safety belt is in the retainer hook.
2. Pull the lever on top of the seatback (F). When the red marking is visible, the seatback is unlatched.
3. Fold down the seatback.

   *See Seats and Restraints in your Owner Manual.*

**Tilt/Telescopic Steering Wheel**

- With the vehicle parked, push down the lever on the left side of the steering column to adjust the steering wheel. The steering wheel can then be moved up or down and in or out. Pull up the lever to lock the steering wheel in place.

   *See Instruments and Controls in your Owner Manual.*
**Lighting**

**Automatic Headlamp System**

- **Off/On**

**AUTO Automatic Headlamp System**
Automatically activates the Daytime Running Lamps (DRLs) or the headlamps and other exterior lamps depending on outside light conditions.

- **Parking Lamps**
- **Headlamps**
- **Fog Lamps**

Press to turn the fog lamps and parking lamps on or off.

**Instrument Panel Brightness**
Rotate and hold the thumbwheel to adjust the instrument panel lighting.

*See Lighting in your Owner Manual.*

**Wipers and Washers**

**Windshield Wipers and Washer**
Move the lever up or down to operate the windshield wipers.

- **HI High Speed**
- **LO Low Speed**
- **INT Intermittent**

Rotate the band to adjust the delay between wipes. The wipers activate more often as the band is rotated upward.

- **OFF**
- **1x Single Wipe**

**Washer Fluid**
Pull the lever toward you to spray washer fluid on the windshield.

**Rear Wiper and Washer**
*(5-door model only)*
Press the switch on the end of the lever to operate the rear wiper.

*Note: The rear wiper will automatically activate when the vehicle is in Reverse and the windshield wipers are turned on.*

- **ON Low Speed**
- **OFF**
- **INT Intermittent**

**Washer Fluid**
Push the lever away from you to spray washer fluid on the rear window.

*See Instruments and Controls in your Owner Manual.*
Infotainment System

Refer to your Owner Manual for important safety information about using the infotainment system while driving.

Chevrolet MyLink

Chevrolet MyLink uses a Bluetooth or USB connection to link to a compatible device, such as a smartphone, cell phone, USB flash drive or portable audio player/iPod®. For assistance with the MyLink system, contact Customer Assistance at 1-855-4-SUPPORT (1-855-478-7767) or visit my.chevrolet.com/learn.

Chevrolet MyLink Infotainment System

Setting the Time
1. Touch Settings on the home screen.
2. Touch Time and Date.
3. Touch Set Time.
4. Touch the screen buttons to adjust the hours, minutes and AM or PM.
5. Touch to exit the menu.

Storing Favorites
Radio stations from all bands (AM, FM or SiriusXM®) can be stored in any order.
1. Select Audio on the Home screen.
2. Tune in the desired radio station.
3. Select the desired page of favorite screen buttons.
4. Touch and hold one of the favorite screen buttons until a beep is heard.
5. Repeat the steps to store another favorite item.

Portable Audio Devices
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► An iPod®, iPhone®, MP3 Player, a USB flash drive or a USB mass storage device can be connected to the USB port. Search for music on-screen.
► Touch Audio > Source to select a portable device as the audio source.

Apple CarPlay™ and Android Auto™
Apple CarPlay or Android Auto capability may be available through a compatible smartphone. If available, a Projection icon will appear on the home screen of the infotainment display.
1. No app is required for Apple CarPlay. Download the Android Auto app to your phone from the Google Play Store.
2. Connect your Apple iPhone or Android phone by plugging the compatible phone USB cable into a USB data port. Use your device’s factory-provided USB cable. Aftermarket cables may not work.
3. The Projection icon will change to Apple CarPlay or Android Auto, depending on the phone. Apple CarPlay or Android Auto may launch automatically upon USB connection. If not, touch the Apple CarPlay or Android Auto icon on the home screen.

For more information on using Apple CarPlay or Android Auto, call 1-855-4-SUPPORT (1-855-478-7767) or visit my.chevrolet.com/learn.

Bluetooth® System

Before using a Bluetooth-enabled device in the vehicle, it must be paired with the in-vehicle Bluetooth system. The pairing process is disabled when the vehicle is moving. Not all devices will support all functions. Visit my.chevrolet.com/learn for more information.

Pair a Phone
1. Select the Phone screen and touch Search Device.
2. Start the pairing process on the phone. Locate Your Vehicle or Chevrolet MyLink on the phone.
3. Confirm the codes that appear on the touch screen and the phone.
4. When pairing is complete, the phone screen is displayed. Your phone book may be downloaded depending on the phone.


OnStar® with 4G LTE and Wi-Fi®

With OnStar 4G LTE and Wi-Fi®, up to seven devices (smartphones, tablets and laptops) can be connected to high-speed Internet through the vehicle’s built-in Wi-Fi hotspot.

To retrieve the SSID and password for the hotspot, press the OnStar Voice Command button on the overhead console or rearview mirror, wait for the prompt, and then say “Wi-Fi settings.” The information will be displayed on the screen.

For assistance, press the blue OnStar button or call 1-888-4-ONSTAR (1-888-466-7827).

Note: See onstar.com for a detailed instruction guide, vehicle availability, and system limitations.


Audio Steering Wheel Controls

Next/Previous
Rotate the thumbwheel up or down to go to the next or previous favorite radio station or track.

Push to Talk
Press to answer an incoming call or interact with the Bluetooth or OnStar® system.

End Call/Mute
Press to end or reject a call. Press to mute the vehicle speakers.

See Instruments and Controls in your Owner Manual.
Vehicle Personalization

Some vehicle features can be customized using the audio controls and menus. The Settings may include Time and Date, Language, Radio, Vehicle, Bluetooth, Apple CarPlay, Android Auto, USB Auto Launch, Rear Camera and Return to Factory Settings.

1. Press the \( \text{Home} \) button.
2. Touch \( \text{Settings} \).
3. Touch the desired screen menu to access the various menu items and settings.
4. Touch the \( \text{screen} \) button to move back within a menu.

See Instruments and Controls in your Owner Manual.

Cruise Control

Setting Cruise Control

1. Press the \( \text{On/Off} \) button. The \( \text{Cruise Control} \) symbol will illuminate in white on the instrument cluster.
2. When traveling at the desired speed, rotate the thumbwheel down to the SET/− position to set the speed. The \( \text{symbol} \) will illuminate in green on the instrument cluster.

Note: Cruise control does not operate at speeds below 25 mph. The automatic transmission may downshift to maintain the set speed when traveling down a steep grade.

Adjusting Cruise Control

RES/+ Resume/Accelerate
Rotate the thumbwheel up to resume a set speed. When the system is active, rotate the thumbwheel up to increase speed.

SET/− Set/Coast
When the system is active, rotate the thumbwheel down to decrease speed.

Cancel
Press to cancel the cruise control but retain the set speed in memory. Pressing the brake pedal or clutch pedal (manual transmission only) also will cancel the cruise control.

The cruise control set speed is erased when cruise control or the vehicle ignition is turned off.

See Driving and Operating in your Owner Manual.
**Recirculation Mode**

The Recirculation Mode can help quickly cool the air inside the vehicle or prevent outside odors from entering the vehicle. When the Recirculation Mode is used without air conditioning, the air humidity increases and the windows may fog.

**Defog and Defrost Mode**

When the Defog or Defrost Mode is selected, the air conditioning also will run when above certain ambient temperatures to help reduce air humidity.

*See Climate Controls in your Owner Manual.*
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The traction control system limits wheelspin and the StabiliTrak stability control system assists with directional control of the vehicle in difficult driving conditions. Both systems turn on automatically every time the vehicle is started.

Traction control should be turned off if the vehicle is stuck and rocking the vehicle is required.

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Automatic Transmission

Manual Mode

Manual Mode allows the driver to shift gears manually. This feature can be used to drive the vehicle in a sportier manner or to downshift when driving on a downhill grade to provide engine braking.

1. Move the shift lever to the Manual (M) position.
2. Press the + (plus) or – (minus) button on the side of the shift lever to upshift or downshift. The current gear will be displayed on the Driver Information Center.

If vehicle speed is too high or too low for the requested gear, the shift will not occur. When coming to a stop, the transmission will downshift automatically.

Note: On turbo engine-equipped vehicles, the transmission has a fuel-saving Neutral shift feature. It shifts into Neutral when the vehicle comes to a stop and the brake pedal is applied. It shifts back to Drive when the brake pedal is released.

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Driver Assistance Systems

Lane Departure Warning✦
The ▶️ Lane Departure Warning indicator on the instrument cluster is green when a lane marking is detected. If a detected lane marking is crossed without using a turn signal, the system flashes an amber ➡️ indicator and sounds three low-pitched beeps on the right or left, depending on the lane departure direction.

▶️ Press the ▶️ Lane Departure Warning button on the center console to turn the system on or off.

Forward Collision Alert✦
The 🚩 Vehicle Ahead indicator on the instrument cluster is green when a vehicle is detected. When approaching a vehicle directly ahead too rapidly, the system flashes a visual alert and sounds several high-pitched beeps. The visual alert will stay illuminated when tailgating a vehicle ahead.

▶️ Press the 🚩 Forward Collision Alert button on the left side of the steering wheel to set the alert timing to Far, Medium, Near, or Off.

Rear Vision Camera
When the vehicle is in Reverse, a view of the area behind the vehicle appears on the infotainment screen.

▶️ To turn the Rear Camera Guidance Lines or Rear Park Assist Symbols on or off, go to Rear Camera in the Settings menu.

Note: Clean the camera lens, located above the license plate, with water and a soft cloth.

Rear Park Assist✦
When the vehicle is in Reverse, detected objects are indicated by audible beeps. The interval between beeps becomes shorter as the vehicle gets closer to an object. When the distance is less than 12 in. (30 cm), the beeps are continuous. The system operates only at speeds less than 5 mph.

▶️ To turn the system on or off, go to Vehicle > Collision/Detection Systems in the Settings menu.

See Driving and Operating in your Owner Manual.

Hill Start Assist
When stopped on a steep hill, the Hill Start Assist feature prevents the vehicle from rolling before driving off, whether facing uphill or downhill. During the transition between when the driver releases the brake pedal and starts to accelerate, Hill Start Assist holds the brake pressure (for up to 2 seconds) to ensure the vehicle doesn’t roll.

Note: Hill Start Assist will not operate if StabiliTrak is disabled.

See Driving and Operating in your Owner Manual.
Storage Features (5-Door Model Only)

**Remove the Floor Cover**
1. Lift up the cover and pull it out.
2. Store the cover on the bottom of the load compartment.

**Install the Cover**
1. Align the front corners of the cover with the front slots (A) on both sides of the load compartment.
2. Lower the cover onto the lip around the load compartment.

**Cargo Floor Load Compartment**
Additional storage space is available under the rear cargo floor cover.

**Remove the Cargo Cover**
1. Unhook the cords from the liftgate and push up on the underside of the cover at the front pins (B).
2. Slide the cover along the channels to store it behind the rear seats.

**Install the Cover**
1. Install the cover onto the front pins.
2. Hook the cords to the liftgate.

**Tire Pressure Monitor**
The Low Tire Pressure warning light on the instrument cluster illuminates and a message displays on the Driver Information Center when one or more of the vehicle’s tires is significantly underinflated. The message shows the location of the low tire and the approximate pressure. Fill the tires to the proper tire pressures, which are listed on the Tire and Loading Information label located below the driver’s door latch.

**Engine Oil Life System**
The Oil Life System calculates oil life based on vehicle use and displays Change Engine Oil Soon on the Driver Information Center when it’s necessary to change the engine oil and filter. The system should be reset to 100% only following an oil change.

*See Vehicle Care in your Owner Manual.*

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**Roadside Assistance**

1-800-CHEV-USA  
(1-800-243-8872)

As the owner of a new Chevrolet, you are automatically enrolled in the Chevrolet Roadside Assistance program for up to 5 years/60,000 miles, whichever occurs first, at no expense to you. Chevrolet’s Roadside Assistance toll-free number is staffed by a team of trained advisors who are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to contact a service provider for light services (fuel delivery, jump-starts, flat tire and lock-outs) or make arrangements to tow your vehicle to the nearest Chevrolet dealer for any repairs.

**Roadside Assistance and OnStar®**

If you require roadside service and have a current OnStar subscription, press the OnStar button and the vehicle will send your current GPS location to an OnStar Advisor who will speak to you, assess your problem, contact Roadside Assistance and relay your exact location so you will get the help you need.

**myChevrolet and OnStar® Mobile Apps**

The myChevrolet mobile app connects owners to a variety of vehicle information and services, such as a searchable Owner Manual, real-time fuel information and Roadside Assistance.

Download the OnStar RemoteLink mobile app and enjoy select features for 5 years from date of vehicle delivery. With a compatible mobile device, owners can access many services, including locking/unlocking the doors, and locating the vehicle on a map (on properly equipped vehicles). To learn more about OnStar services, press the blue OnStar button, call 1-888-466-7827, visit onstar.com or refer to your Owner Manual.

Download the mobile apps from your compatible mobile device’s app store.

**Chevrolet Owner Center**

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