

Quick reference guide
for the vehicle



BMW 3 Series

The Ultimate
Driving Machine®



At a glance. The main functions of your BMW 3 Series.

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Your BMW 3 Series in brief.

Welcome on board

Your BMW 3 Series offers a wide range of equipment to make driving an enjoyable experience.

This quick reference guide provides an initial overview. It contains information to enable you to become familiar with the basic functions of your BMW 3 Series.

For your safety and the safety of others, please read the detailed Owner's Manual.

You will find additional information in other brochures in the vehicle.

BMW hopes you get off to a good start and that you enjoy your BMW 3 Series.

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* Optional extras or country-specific items

Some illustrations show country-specific items or optional extras.



4 Opening and closing

Remote control



Open

Unlocks the entire vehicle.

Close

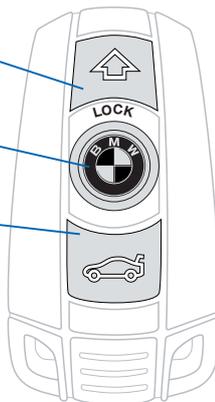
Locks the entire vehicle.

Open the trunk lid/hatch door

Press and hold (approx. 1 second).

Panic Mode*

Press for at least 3 seconds.
Press any button to cancel.



Convenient opening*

Press and hold the Open button to open the windows and glass sunroof*, panorama glass sunroof* or hardtop* after unlocking.

Convenient closing*

Convertible:
Using the remote control for Comfort Access*, press and hold the Close button to close the windows and hardtop after locking.

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Personal Profile and Comfort Access*

Personal Profile

Some of the vehicle's functions can be individually tailored and stored for several remote controls.

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

Keyless driving pleasure*

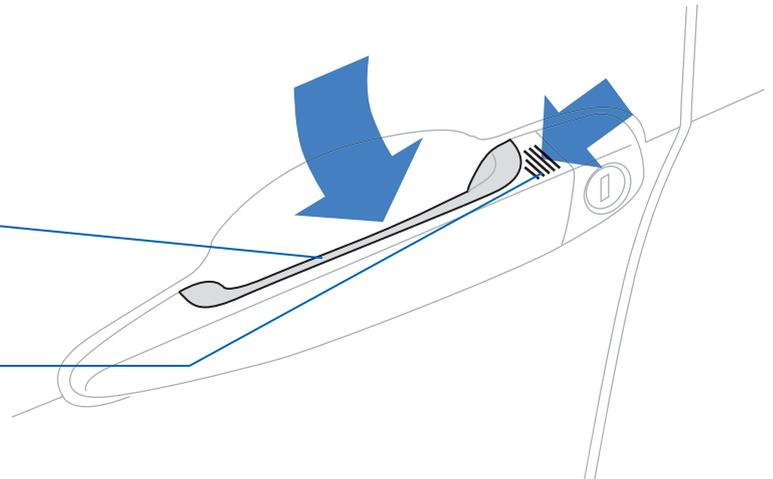
The Comfort Access system allows you to gain access to the vehicle and start the engine without holding the remote control. The remote control is automatically detected in the immediate vicinity or inside the vehicle.

Open

Take a firm hold of the door handle.

Close

Touch the panel for approx. one second.



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Mirrors

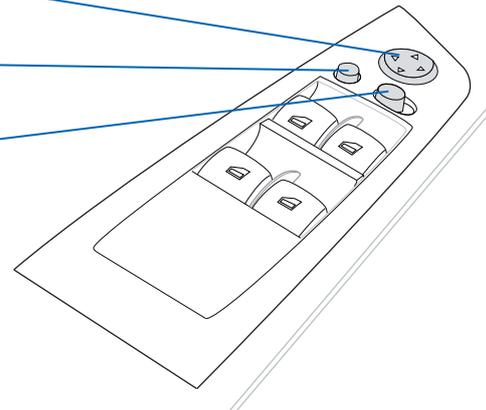
Mirror adjustment

Folding mirrors in and out*

Mirror left/right, automatic curb monitor*

Select mirror: left/right.

Automatic curb monitor on: switch in driver's mirror position.



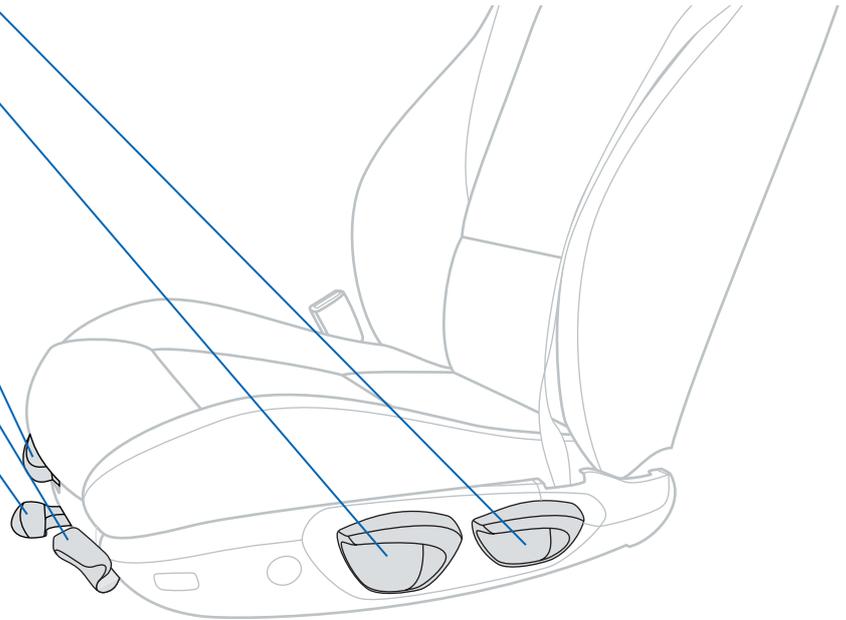
Backrest angle

Height

Thigh support*

Seat tilt*

Forward/back



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Electric* seat adjustment

MEMORY button*

Memory buttons*

Backrest angle

Forward/back*, height, seat tilt*

Lumbar support*

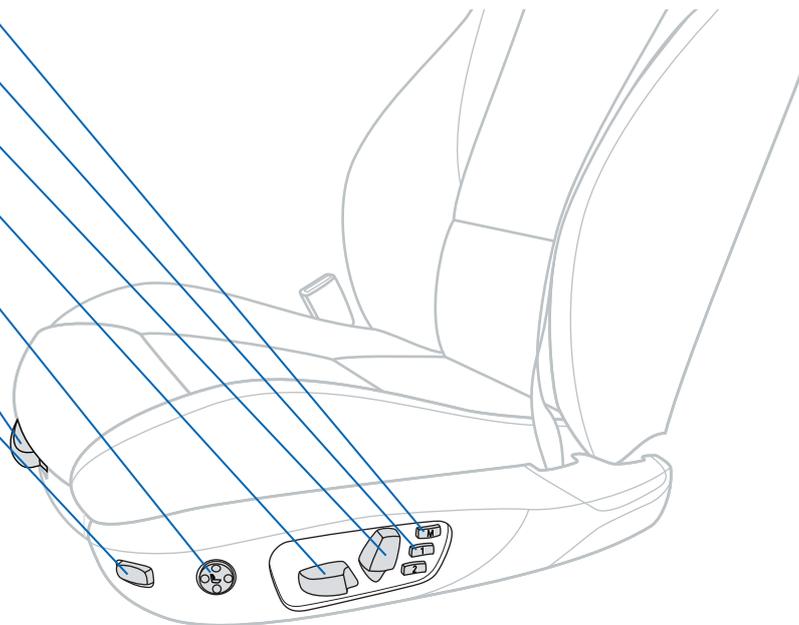
Thigh support*

Backrest width*

Seat and mirror memory*

You can store 2 different driver's seat and exterior mirror positions per remote control used.

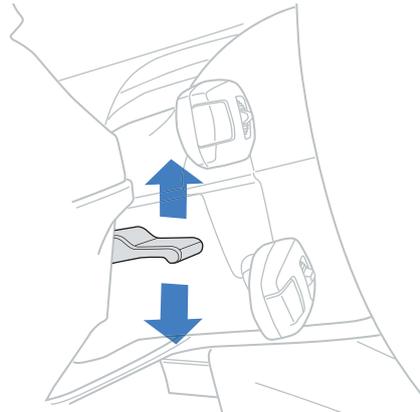
1. Radio readiness or ignition on.
2. Adjust the seat and mirrors.
3. Press the MEMORY button; the LED lights up.
4. Press memory button 1 or 2.





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.



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Around the steering wheel

Activating turn signals

Push the lever up or down past the pressure point.

Canceling turn signals

Push the lever to the point of resistance.

Signaling briefly/one-touch indicating

Push the lever up or down to the pressure point.

High beams

Push the lever.

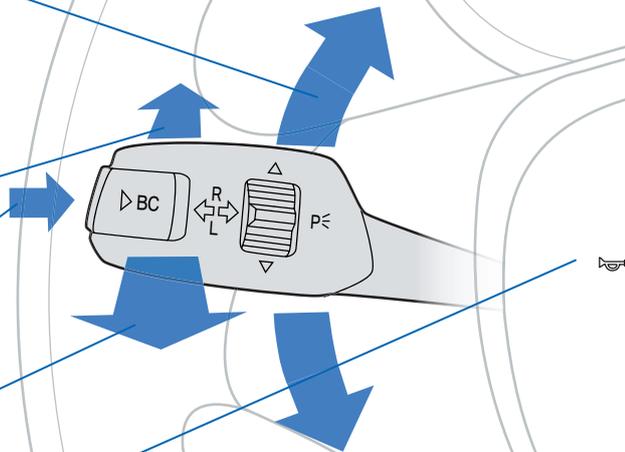
Onboard computer

Press the button on the lever.

Headlamp flasher

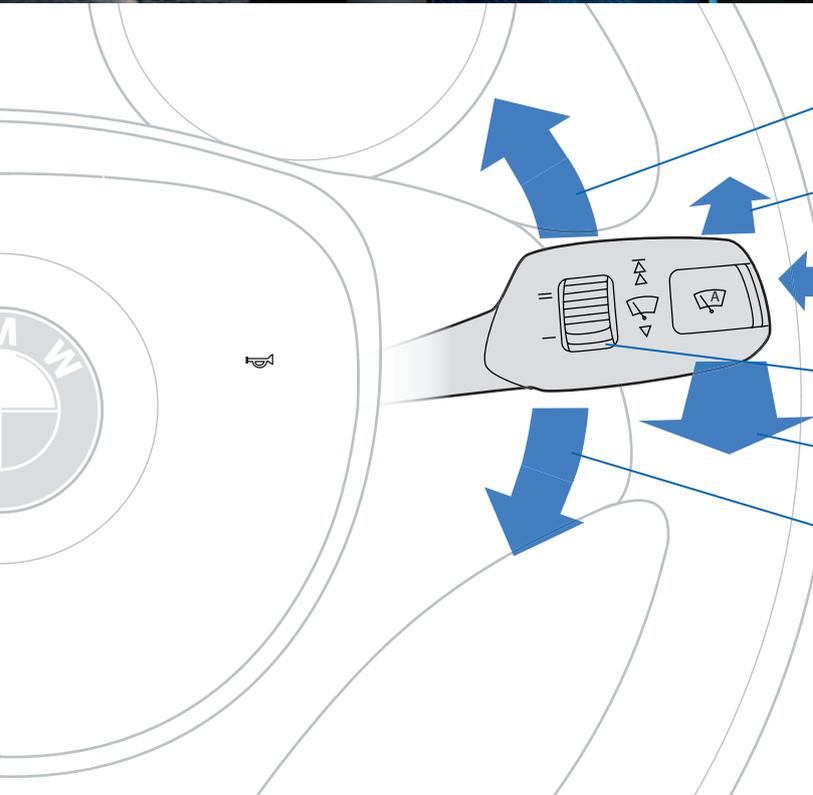
Pull the lever.

Horn



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Around the steering wheel



Switching on the wipers

Normal: push once.
Rapid: push twice.

Sports Wagon: wipe rear window

Push the lever once.

Sports Wagon: cleaning the rear window

Push the lever twice.

Activating/deactivating intermittent operation or the rain sensor*

Press the button on the lever.

Interval or sensitivity of the rain sensor

Turn the thumbwheel.

Washing the windshield and headlamps*

Pull the lever.

Turning off the wipers

From normal speed: push once.

From rapid speed: push twice.

Brief wipe

Push once.

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Around the center console

Control display

Hazard warning flashers

Central locking

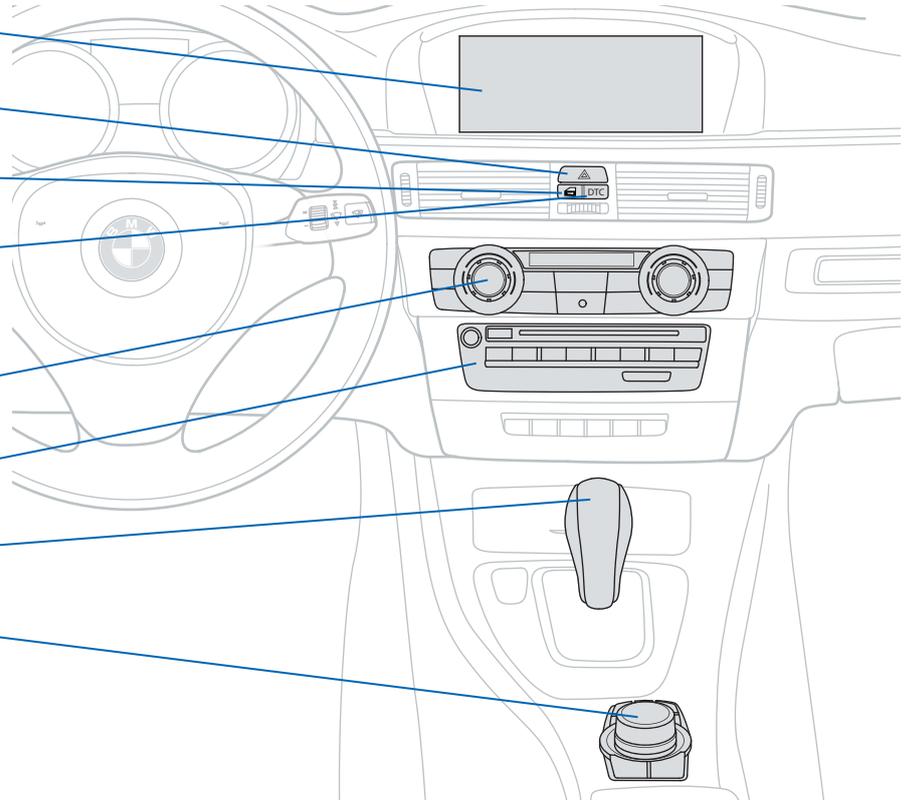
**Dynamic Stability Control DSC
Dynamic Traction Control DTC**

Automatic climate control

Entertainment

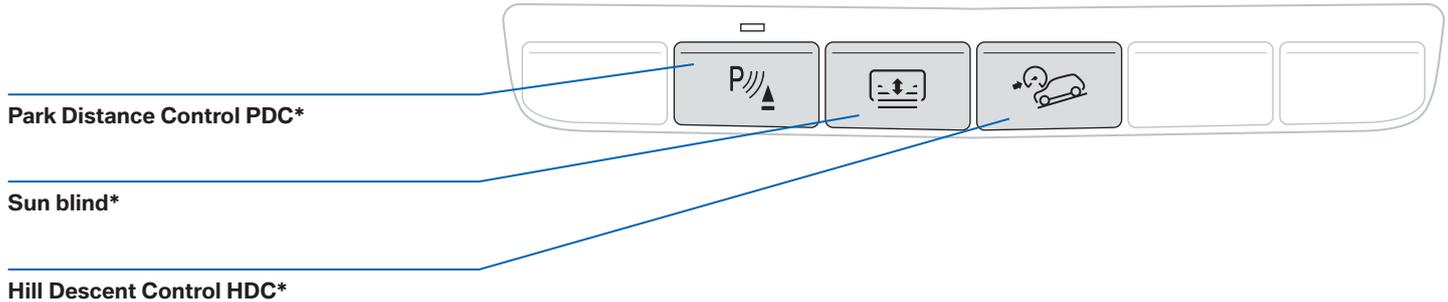
Selector lever or gearshift

Controller with buttons



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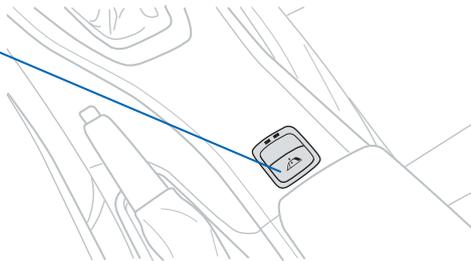
Buttons in the center console



Convertible: retractable hardtop

Open
Press the switch.

Close
Pull the switch.



Only operate the hardtop when the vehicle is stationary.

Prior to opening and closing, verify that no objects are located on or next to the trunk cover and that the trunk lid is closed.

Refer to the information in the Owner's Manual.

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Automatic climate control

Fine adjustment, air temperature, upper body

Air volume, AUTO intensity, Automatic climate control off

AUTO program

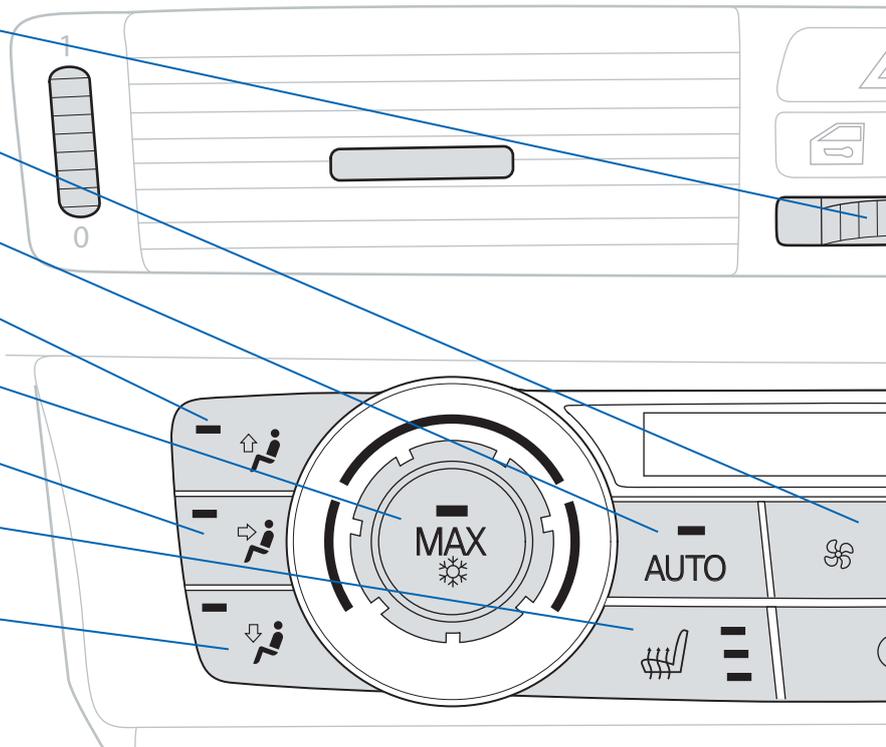
Air distribution, windshield and side windows

Maximum cooling

Air distribution, upper body area

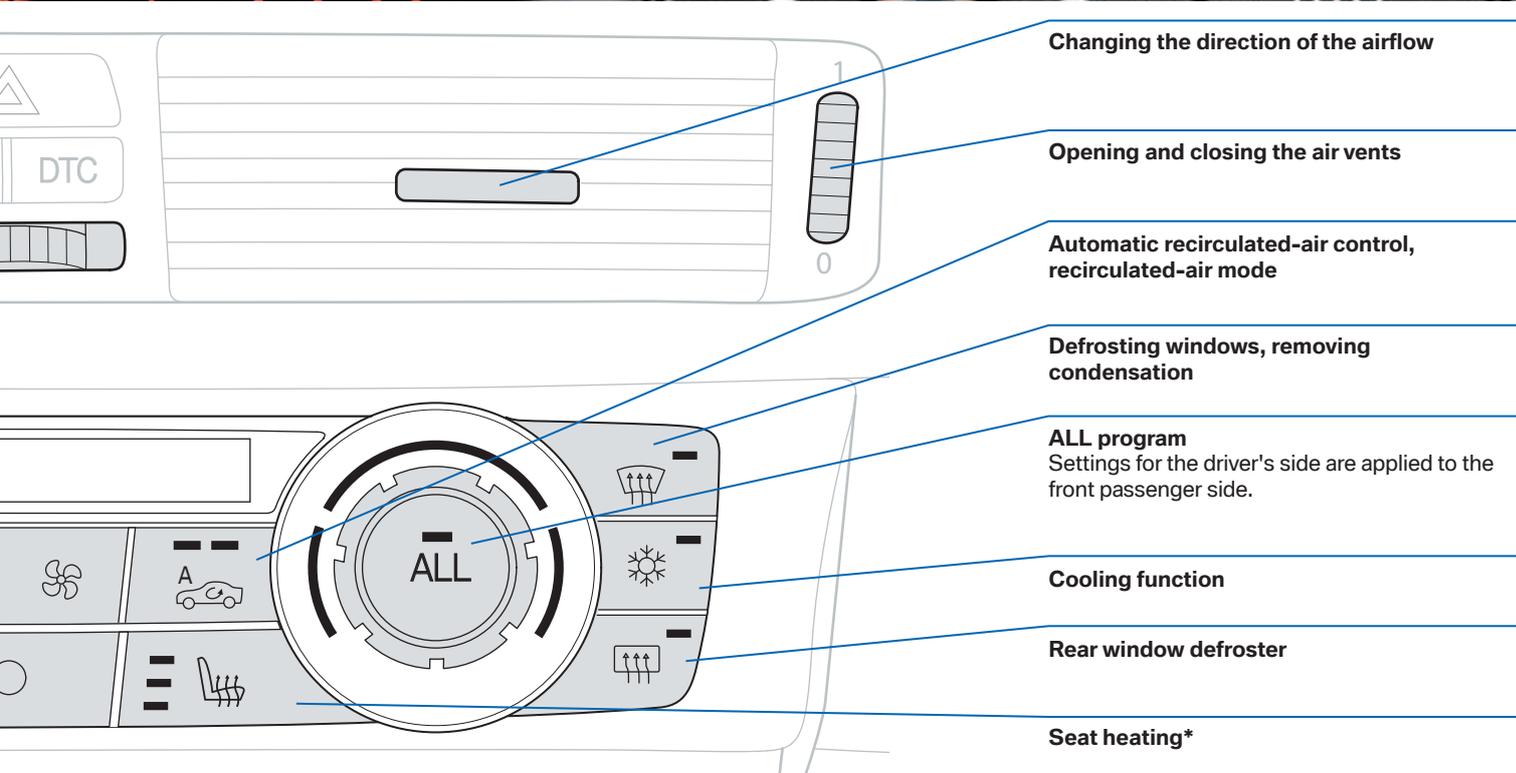
Seat heating*

Air distribution, foot area



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Automatic climate control



Changing the direction of the airflow

Opening and closing the air vents

Automatic recirculated-air control, recirculated-air mode

Defrosting windows, removing condensation

ALL program
Settings for the driver's side are applied to the front passenger side.

Cooling function

Rear window defroster

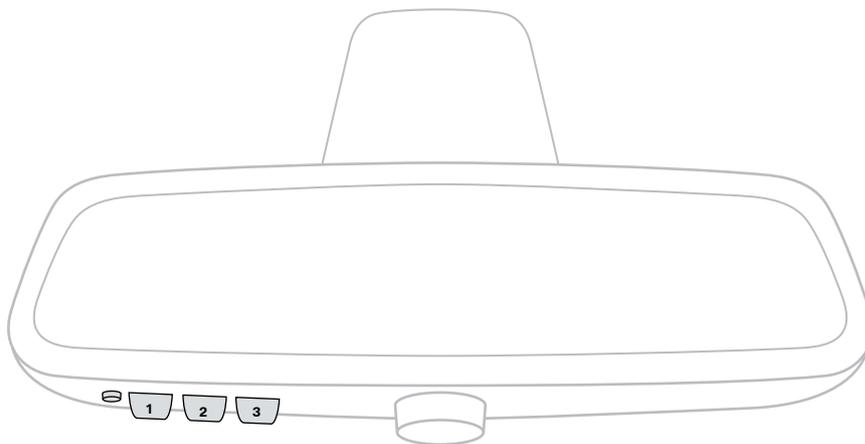
Seat heating*

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Garage door opener*

Garage door opener

1. The ignition is on.
2. Press both outer buttons, 1 and 3, for approx. 20 seconds until the LED flashes.
3. Hold the hand-held transmitter a distance of approx. 2 to 8 in/5 to 20 cm away from the memory buttons.
4. Simultaneously press the transmit button of the hand-held transmitter and the memory button of the universal remote control.
5. Release both buttons when the LED flashes rapidly.



Refer to the following section in the Owner's Manual: Integrated universal remote control.



START
STOP
ENGINE

Switching the ignition on/off

Press the Start/Stop button without depressing the brake or the clutch.

Starting the engine

Press the Start/Stop button and depress the brake and, if necessary, the clutch.

Engine off/radio ready state

Press Start/Stop button when the engine is running.

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7-speed Sports automatic transmission with double clutch*/

Parking brake

P button

Press the button to engage transmission position P.

Unlock button

To shift from P or to R:

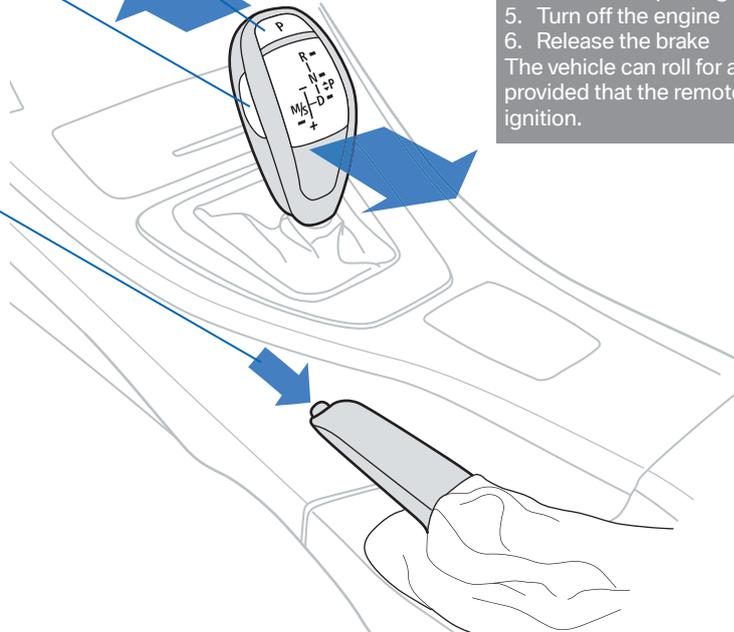
1. Depress the brake while the engine is running.
2. Press the Unlock button.
3. Move the selector lever in the desired direction.

Releasing the parking brake

Pull the lever slightly upward, press the button and move the lever down.

Putting on the parking brake

Pull up the lever.



Before driving into a car wash, so that the vehicle can roll:

1. Put the remote control into the ignition
2. Depress the brake
3. Engage N
4. Release the parking brake
5. Turn off the engine
6. Release the brake

The vehicle can roll for approx. 30 minutes, provided that the remote control remains in the ignition.

Unlock button

To shift from P or to R:

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

Transmission position M/S

Sport program:

Press the selector lever to the left.

Manual operation:

Press the selector lever to the left.

+ Shift up

- Shift down

Transmission position

P Park

R Reverse

N Neutral

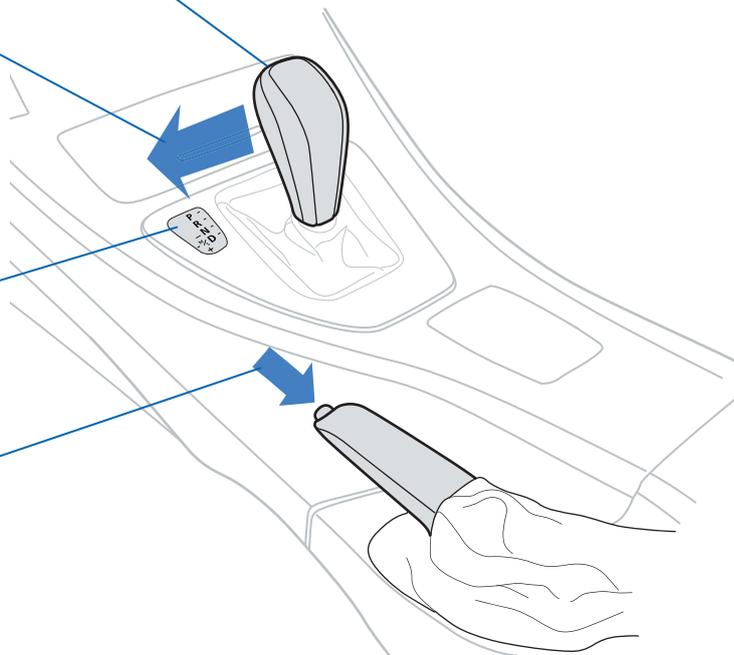
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Releasing the parking brake

Pull the lever slightly upward, press the button and move the lever down.

Putting on the parking brake

Pull up the lever.



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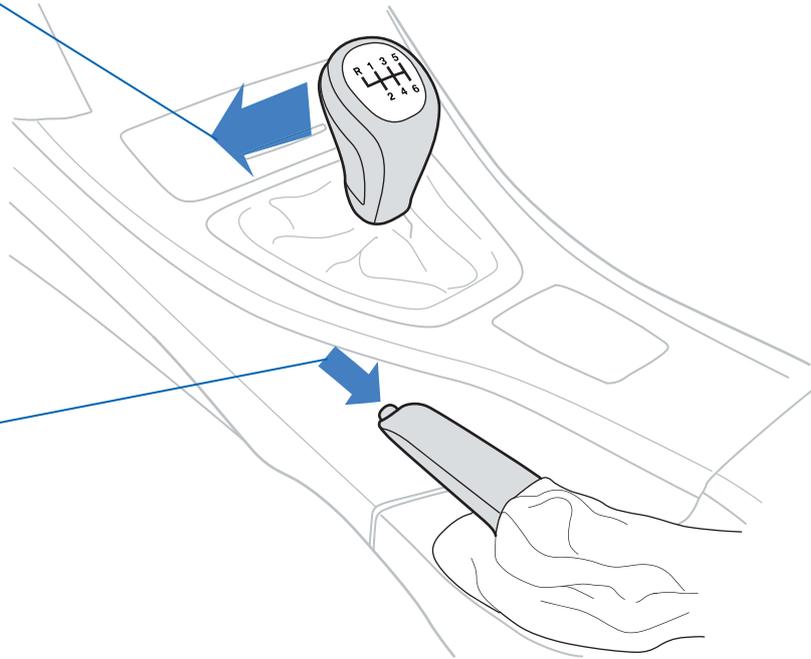
Manual transmission/Parking brake

Reverse

When pushing the gearshift to the left, overcome the resistance.

5th/6th gear:

Press the gearshift to the right.



Releasing the parking brake

Pull the lever slightly upward, press the button and move the lever down.

Putting on the parking brake

Pull up the lever.

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Lamps

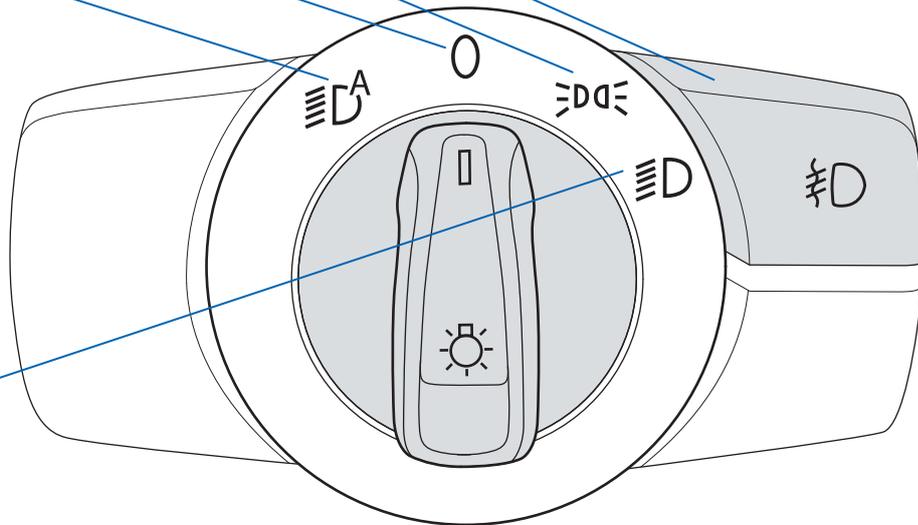
Fog lamps*

Parking lamps

Lamps off/daytime running lights

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

Low beams
Welcome lights



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CD/DVD* player

Eject CD/DVD*

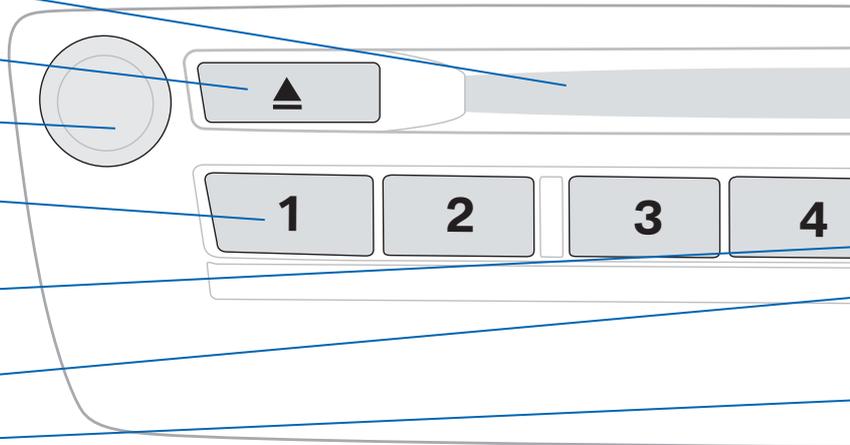
On/off, volume control

Programmable memory keys

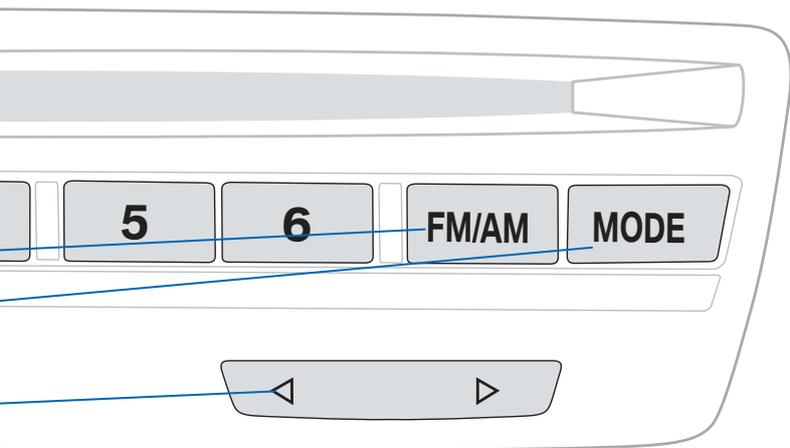
Changing the radio station waveband

Changing the audio and video sources

Changing station/track



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Programmable memory keys

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

Storing functions

1. Select the function via iDrive.
2. Press the desired key for longer than two seconds.

Executing a function

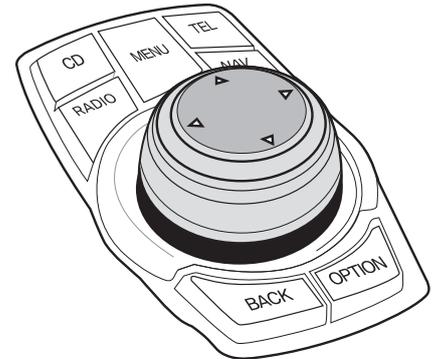
Press the key.

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

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Controller with buttons



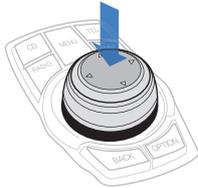
iDrive 25 Controller

Highlighting the menu item



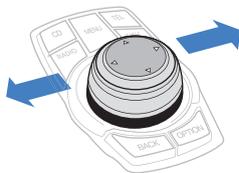
Turn the controller until the desired menu item is highlighted.

Opening the menu item

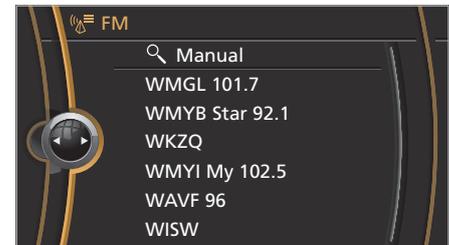
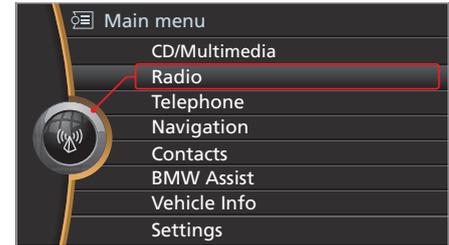


Press the controller.

Changing between panels



After selecting a menu item such as "Radio", a new panel will be displayed. Panels can overlap. Move the controller either to the left or to the right. The panel changes.



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Buttons on the controller

Opening the menus



Press the buttons on the controller.

Accessing the "Options" menu



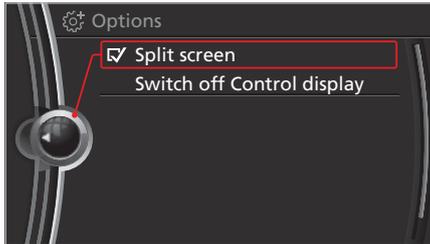
Press the OPTION button.
The OPTION menu consists of various settings: for instance, screen settings such as "Split screen"*.

Calling up the previous view



Press the BACK button.
Open the display which was shown last on the control display.

Split screen*/Voice activation system*

**Split screen***

Additional information can be displayed on the right side of the split screen, information from the computer, for instance.

You can set which information can be displayed.

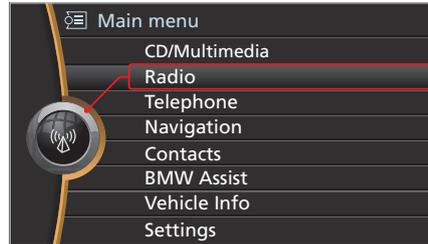
Switching the split screen on/off*

1. Call up "Options".
2. "Split screen"

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

Tip

You may also store the split screen view* on one of the programmable memory keys.

**Voice activation system***

The voice activation system allows you to operate certain features via a spoken command.

Most text which is displayed on the control display may be voice-activated.

Example: calling up the FM waveband

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



3. Say >FM<.

The list of available radio stations is displayed.

Having the possible commands read aloud

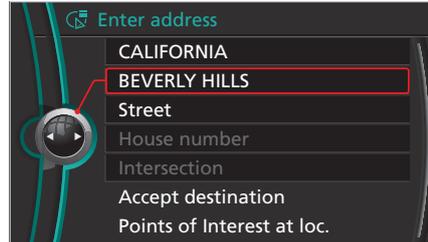
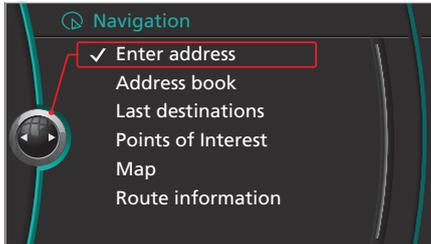
1. Press the button on the steering wheel.
2. Say >Voice commands<.

Tip

You can also call up the functions directly via so-called short commands, such as >Map perspective view* and >Redial<. To give those commands, speak without hesitation, loudly and clearly. Avoid background noise, such as an open sunroof.

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Entering an address*



Enter a destination

1. "Navigation"
2. "Enter address"

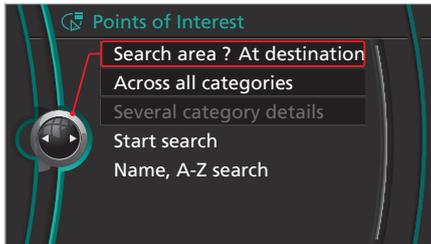
3. Select "State/Province" or the displayed state or province.
4. Select "Town/City/Postal Code" or the displayed town/city/postal code.
5. Select the letters individually. The list gradually grows smaller each time you enter a new letter.
6. If necessary, move the controller to the right and select the city name from the list.
7. Enter a street, as you did for the town/city.
8. If desired, select the building number or intersection.
9. "Accept destination"
10. "Start guidance"

Tip

You can enter the destination via the voice activation system*. Town/city, street and building number can also be spoken in one sentence.

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Points of Interest/Map displays*



Points of Interest

Searching for specific destinations, for instance, points of interest, hotels, or gas stations:

1. "Navigation"
2. "Points of Interest"
3. Specify "Search area" and "Category".
4. "Start search"

A list of successful hits is displayed.

Map displays*

Various map types can be displayed in the Professional navigation system, i.e., perspective in 3D*.

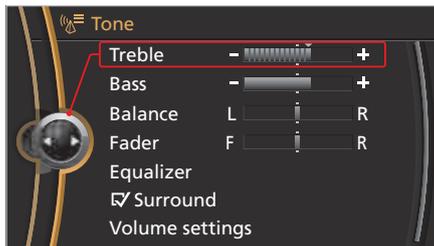
1. "Navigation"
2. "Map"
3. "Perspective view"
4. Call up "Options".
5. "Settings"
6. "Perspective view in 3D"

Adjusting the map zoom

1. If necessary, toggle the controller to the left to change the map display.
2.  Select symbol.
3. Turn the controller.

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Tone/Radio stations



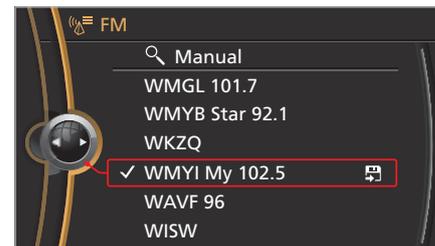
Adjusting the tone

1. "Radio", "CD/Multimedia", or "Settings"
2. "Tone"
3. Select the desired tone setting.
4. Adjust: turn the controller.
5. Confirm: press the controller.



Selecting a radio station

1. "Radio"
2. "FM"



3. Select the desired station.

Tip

You can store your favorite radio stations with the programmable memory keys, 1 to 6. Select the radio station via the iDrive, and press and hold the desired memory key.



Storing music

CD and DVD* music tracks may be stored in the vehicle in a music collection.

1. Insert the CD/DVD* into the CD/DVD* player.
2. "CD/Multimedia"
3. "CD/DVD"
4. Select the symbol for the CD/DVD*-player.

5. "Store in vehicle"

The music collection is displayed. The tracks are stored and played in sequence from the music collection.

Observe the following during the storage process:

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

Tip

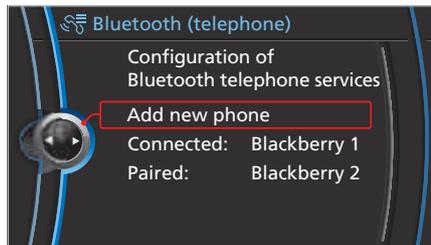
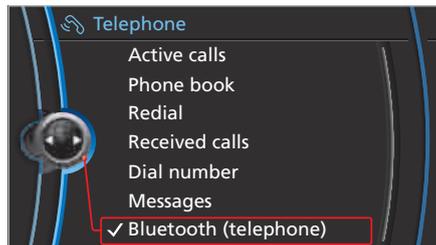
You can only store CDs/DVDs* from the CD/DVD* player.
Additional information about how to store compressed audio files from CDs/DVDs* or USB media can be found in the Owner's Manual.

Tip

You can switch to other audio sources except for the CD/DVD* player, without interrupting the storing process. Tracks from the current CD/DVD* that have already been stored can be called up.

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Mobile phone pairing*



Pairing the mobile phone with the vehicle

1. Switch on the ignition.
2. Activate Bluetooth both on the vehicle and the mobile phone.
3. If necessary, adjust the mobile phone according to the Bluetooth presets, e.g., connection not visible, neither with confirmation nor on the mobile phone.
4. Think of a 4 to 16 digit passkey in order to enter it later. The passkey is only required once for the pairing procedure.
5. "Telephone"
6. "Bluetooth (telephone)"

7. "Add new phone"
The vehicle's Bluetooth name will be displayed on the Control Display.
8. Use the mobile phone to search for Bluetooth devices; check your mobile phone's operating instructions. The Bluetooth name of the vehicle also appears on the mobile phone display.
9. Select the Bluetooth name of the vehicle on the mobile phone.
The mobile phone's display and the iDrive will prompt you to enter the Bluetooth passkey.

10. Enter the passkey on the mobile phone and via the iDrive. If pairing was successful, the mobile phone appears on the mobile phone list.

Tip

For information on which mobile phones with Bluetooth interface are supported by the mobile phone preparation package, please visit www.bmw.com/bluetooth or contact BMW Service.

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Using the phone*

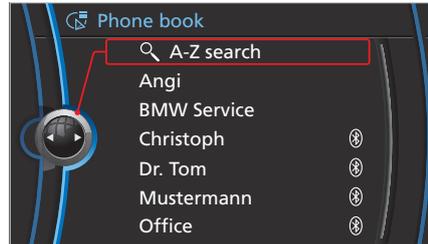


Dialing a number

1. "Telephone"
2. "Dial number"
3. Select the digits individually.
4.  Select this symbol to establish the call.

Accepting a call

1.  Press the button on the steering wheel.



Selecting from the phone book

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

Tip

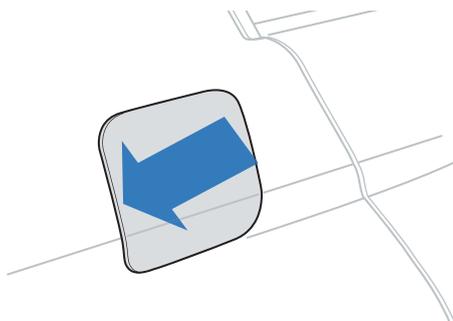
If required, you may also switch between calls and connect those calls to a telephone conference call; please refer to the Owner's Manual of your vehicle.

Tip

BMW recommends using a snap-in adapter* in order to improve cell phone reception via the external aerial of the vehicle.

For information on which mobile phones a snap-in adapter* is available for, please visit www.bmw.com/bluetooth or contact BMW Service.

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Refueling

To open the fuel filler flap:
Lightly press the rear edge.

Fuel quality

Gasoline:

BMW recommends using Super Premium gasoline/AKI 91.

Minimum grade:

- 323i, 328i/xDrive: AKI 87
- 335i/xDrive: AKI 89

Diesel:

BMW recommends using ultra-low sulfur diesel ASTM D 975-07a.

Electronic oil level check*

The oil level is monitored electronically and shown on the control display.

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

Operation via iDrive

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

Refer to the information in the Owner's Manual.

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Tire pressure

FTM Flat Tire Monitor*

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

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

Operate via iDrive:

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

FTM is no replacement for tire pressure checks.

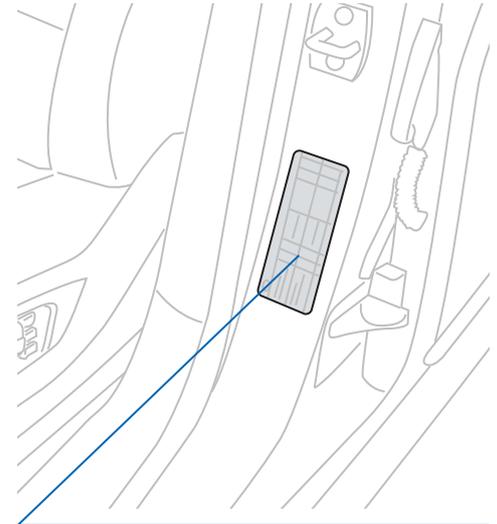
TPM Tire Pressure Monitor*

Monitoring of the tire inflation pressure in the four mounted tires: the system signals when the tire inflation pressure has dropped considerably in one or more tires.

The system must have been reset when the inflation pressure was correct; otherwise, reliable signaling of a flat tire is not guaranteed.

Operation via iDrive:

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



Tire pressure

Note the tire pressures in the Owner's Manual for speeds up to 100 mph or 160 km/h and maximum driving comfort and adjust, if necessary. These tire pressures may also be found on the door pillar when opening the driver's door.

Tip

Check the tire pressure twice a month and reinitialize the system after adjusting tire pressures and after changing a tire or wheel.

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BMW Ultimate Service™

Included at no charge with all new BMW vehicles for the first four years or 50,000 miles, whichever comes first.

It includes the New Vehicle Limited Warranty and the BMW Maintenance Program, which cover all factory-recommended maintenance services and specific items that require replacement due to normal wear and tear.

Also included are four years of unlimited mileage Roadside Assistance, and, if the vehicle is equipped with the BMW Assist™* and Bluetooth® system*, a four-year, unlimited mileage subscription to the BMW Assist Safety Plan.

See your authorized BMW center for more details.

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OBD, Emissions values

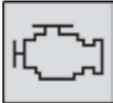
Socket for Onboard Diagnostics OBD

On the driver's side is an OBD socket for testing components that are critical to exhaust emissions standards.

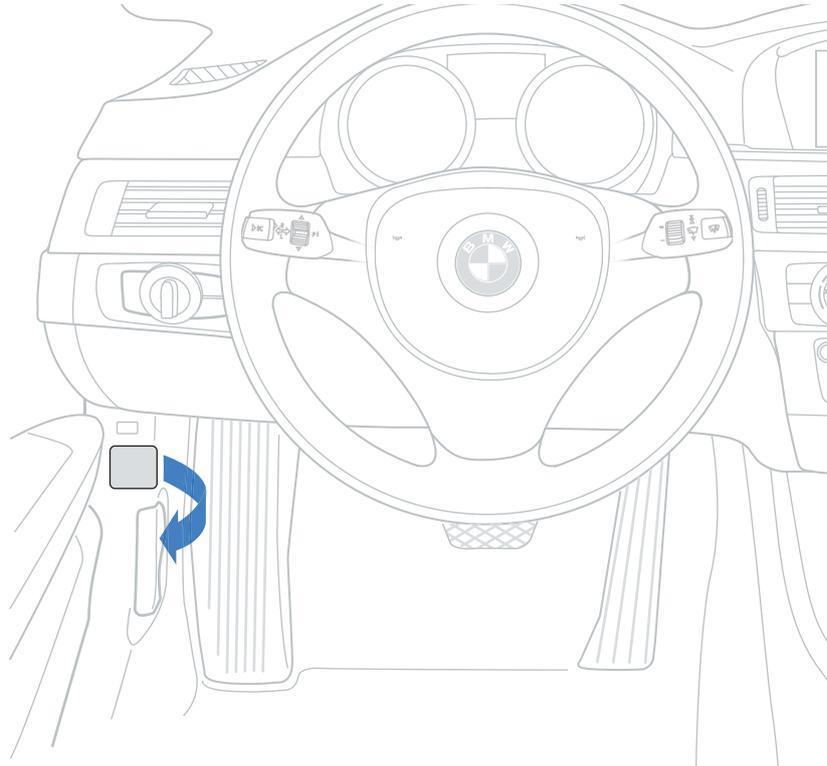
Emissions values

SERVICE
ENGINE
SOON

The warning lamp lights up.
The emission values are deteriorating. Have the vehicle checked as soon as possible.

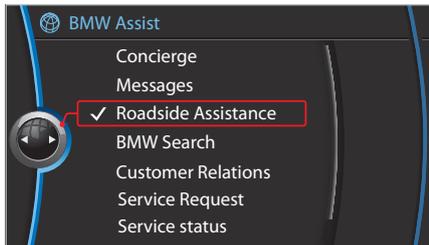
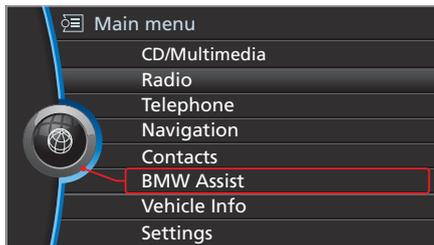


Refer to the information in the Owner's Manual.



38 24/7 Access

BMW Assist™* and Bluetooth® System*



BMW Assist Safety Plan* **(included for four years)**

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
- MyInfo
- Stolen Vehicle Recovery
- Door Unlock
- TeleService
- Customer Relations

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. BMW pays for the first 4 years from your BMW's in-service date. 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 32 or visit www.bmwusa.com/bluetooth for BMW approved handsets and pairing instructions.

Tip

You can even find destinations in the comfort of your home or office and send them via the Internet to your vehicle with the BMW Assist MyInfo service. Visit www.bmwassist.com/myinfo to learn more.

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, up-to-date fuel prices and stock indices in your BMW 1 Series 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: (800) 332-BMW (4269)

For vehicles with the BMW Assist option: Contacting Roadside Assistance through BMW Assist will also transmit vehicle and vehicle position data.

Towing

The only method approved for transporting your vehicle is using a commercial flatbed carrier truck and securing 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-eye found in the trunk tool kit.

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

BMW Financial Services**

Offers monthly payments.

UltimatePay: one-time electronic payment service.

EasyPay: have your monthly payment debited automatically every month from the bank account you designate. Of course, you can also pay by mail.

Simply go to the BMW Financial Services section of the Owner's Circle at bmwusa.com and look under "Account Services".

** Subject to credit approval

My Account

Enables BMW owners to enjoy high performance in their vehicles – and in the ownership experience itself.

This secure owner's site is filled with important, convenient and timely information.

Here is where your vehicle information and BMW Financial Service account history are kept and updated. You can see your monthly statements online, and even pay for them quickly and easily with the click of your mouse.

There is also a wide variety of informative features on interesting topics.

For example, check out the Owner's Manual section, which also contains video reference guides. Or watch a video to learn how to pair your Bluetooth phone.

Simply go to bmwusa.com and hover over My Account in the site's top navigation.

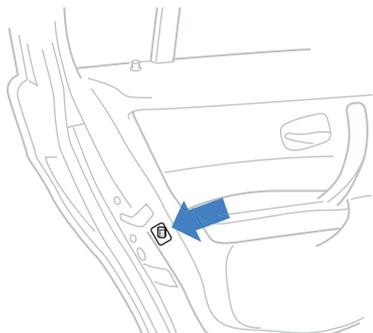
40 Safety

Transporting children safely

Sedan/Sports Wagon:

Securing rear doors and windows

Push down the lever in the rear doors. The door can only be opened from the outside.



Child safety lock for rear side windows

Press the power window child safety lock in the driver's side door when children are riding in the back. The LED lights up: operation of the rear windows is disabled.

Child restraint systems

Please observe the manufacturer's instructions of the child restraint systems concerning the selection, mounting and use of these systems; otherwise, the child's safety may be compromised.

LATCH child restraint fixing system

Before mounting the LATCH child restraint fixing system, pull the belt away from the child seat fastening area.

The inserts for the lower LATCH mountings are located in the slit between the seat and the backrest.

Make sure that both lower LATCH mountings are firmly snapped in and that the child restraint system is leaning against the backrest.

Pass the upper strap* between the holders of the head rests and attach it to the fastening point* with the hook. Tighten the upper safety belt and move the head restraint to its lowest position.

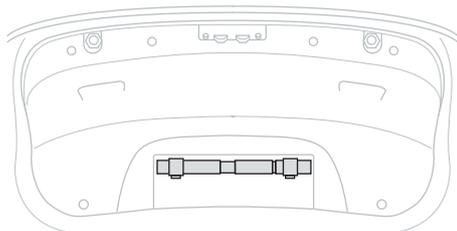
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Warning triangle*, first aid kit*

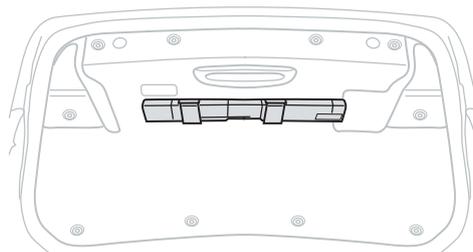
Warning triangle

The warning triangle is located in the trunk.

Sedan



Convertible



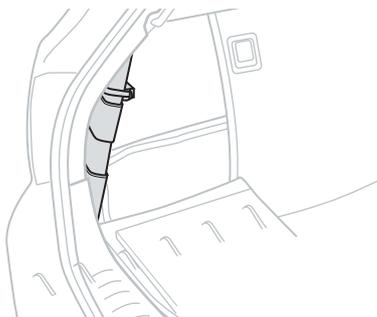
First aid kit

The first aid kit is located in the trunk.

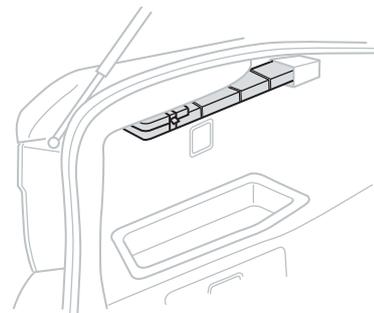
Convertible:

The first aid kit is in a compartment under the front passenger seat.

Sports Wagon

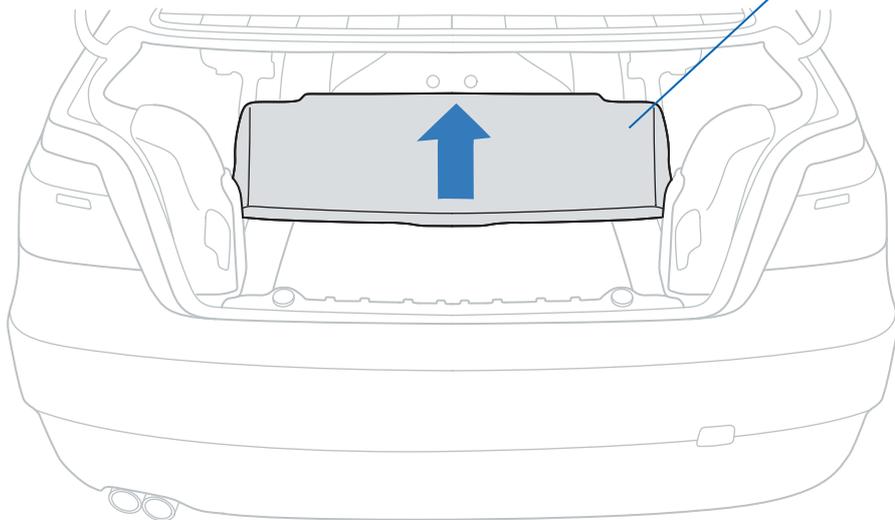


Coupe



42 Trunk

Loading the Convertible



Expanding the trunk capacity
With the hardtop closed:
Push the trunk partition upward.

Convenient loading with the hardtop open*

1.  Briefly press the Comfort Access button on the remote control and, within one second, press again and hold until the retractable hardtop stops in an intermediate position: the trunk lid opens slightly.
2. Open the trunk lid, push the trunk partition up and store the cargo in the trunk.
3. Push the trunk partition down until it locks in on both sides and close the trunk lid.
4.  Press and hold the button on the remote control to fold the retractable hardtop back in.

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