

# Basic Operation

## How to operate unlocking and locking the doors

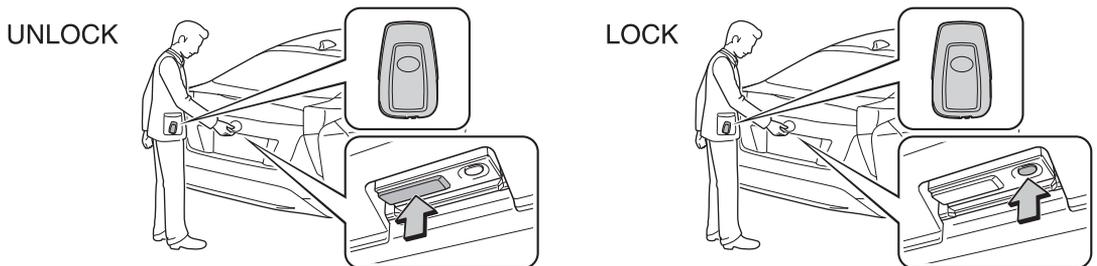
- **Front door handles (including front passenger door handle if equipped with entry function)**



**UNLOCK:** Grip the handle to unlock the doors.  
Make sure to touch the sensor on the back of the handle.  
The doors cannot be unlocked for 3 seconds after the doors are locked.

**LOCK:** Touch the lock sensor (the indentation on the surface of the front door handle) to lock the doors.

- **Back door (vehicles with entry function of front and back doors)**



**UNLOCK:** Press the unlock button to unlock the doors.  
The doors cannot be unlocked for 3 seconds after the doors are locked.  
Lock the back door again when you leave the vehicle. The back door will not lock automatically after it has been opened and then closed.

**LOCK:** Press the lock button to lock all the doors.

## 2 How to operate PUSH BUTTON STARTING HYBRID SYSTEM

### ● Starting HYBRID SYSTEM

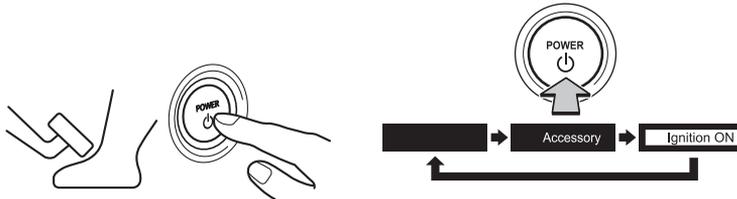


1. Apply the parking brake firmly.
2. Press the power switch with the brake pedal depressed firmly.
3. You can start driving your Prius when the “READY” indicator comes on after a few seconds and you hear a beep. (When the “READY” indicator is flashing, the shift position cannot be changed from P to another position even if the shift lever is operated.)

### ● Stopping HYBRID SYSTEM

Press the power switch with the vehicle at a stop. Check that the shift position indicator on the instrument cluster is set in P.

### ● Selecting ACCESSORY mode or ON mode

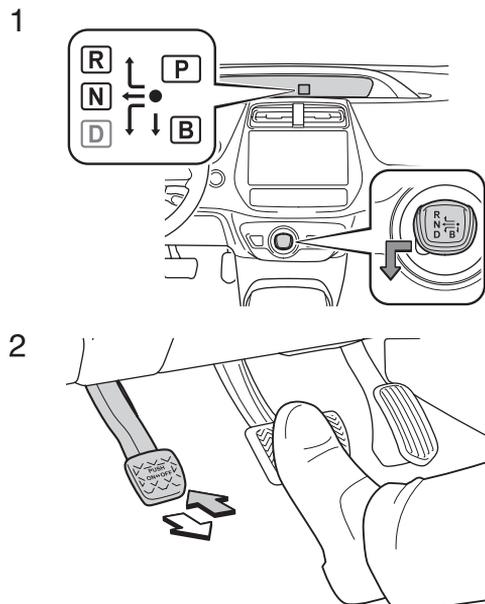


Press the power switch without depressing the brake pedal. Each press changes the hybrid system from off to ACCESSORY mode (accessories such as the radio on), to ON mode (all accessories on) and then back to off.

## 3 Shift lever operation

### ● Starting procedure

1. When the “READY” indicator comes on, shift the shift position to D or R and release it with the brake pedal depressed. The D or R position is selected and the lever returns to its home position. Confirm which position is selected with the shift position indicator in the instrument cluster.
2. Release the parking brake and your foot from the brake pedal gradually, and then start your Prius by depressing the accelerator pedal gently.

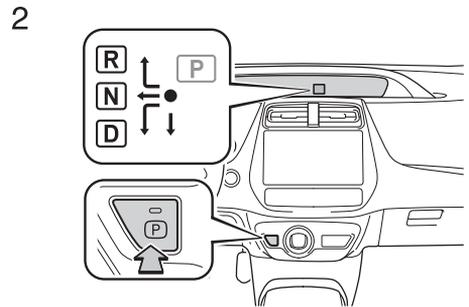
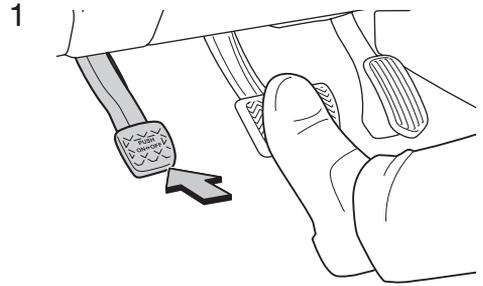


● **Stopping procedure**

1. Stop your Prius completely by depressing the brake pedal and then apply the parking brake.
2. Shift the shift position to P. Check that the shift position indicator on the instrument cluster is in P, and release the brake pedal gently after applying the parking brake.

**Note:**

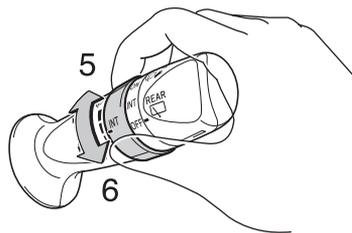
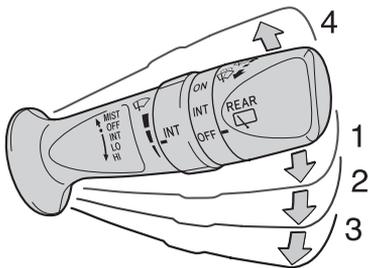
Be sure to shift the shift position to P when parking. During traffic jams, use the D position and continue driving in that position. The hybrid battery (traction battery) cannot be charged in N. When releasing the accelerator pedal in B, engine braking will be applied stronger than in D. Compared with ordinary vehicles, you may feel less powerful engine braking during high speed driving.



**4 How to operate the wipers and washers**

**Type A**

● **Windshield wipers and washer**

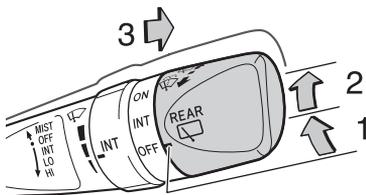


1. Intermittent operation
2. Low speed operation
3. High speed operation
4. Temporary operation

5. Increases the intermittent windshield wiper frequency
6. Decreases the intermittent windshield wiper frequency

7. Washer/wiper dual operation  
The wipers will automatically operate a couple of times after the washer squirts.

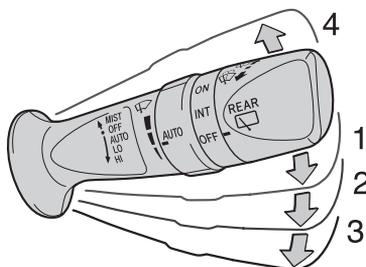
● **Rear window wiper and washer (if equipped)**



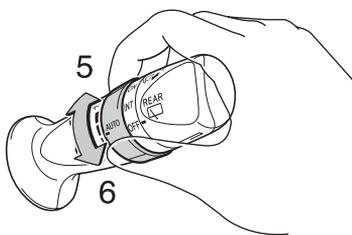
1. Intermittent operation
2. Normal operation
3. Washer/wiper dual operation  
Push the lever away from you turns on the rear window wiper and washer.

## Type B

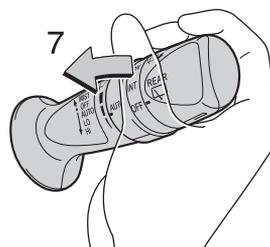
### ● Windshield wipers and washer



1. Rain-sensing operation
2. Low speed operation
3. High speed operation
4. Temporary operation

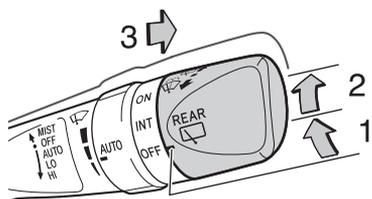


5. Increases the sensitivity
6. Decreases the sensitivity



7. Washer/wiper dual operation  
The wipers will automatically operate a couple of times after the washer squirts.

### ● Rear window wiper and washer



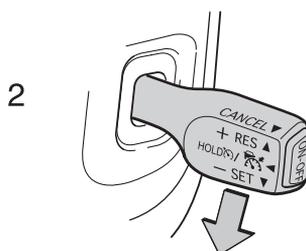
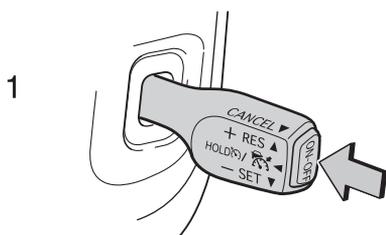
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2. Normal operation
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Push the lever away from you turns on the rear window wiper and washer.

## 5 Dynamic radar cruise control with full-speed range operation (if equipped)

### ● Dynamic radar cruise control can be set when

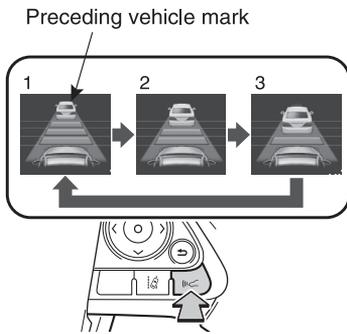
- The shift position is in D.
- Vehicle speed is above approximately 30 mph (50 km/h).

### ● Set the vehicle speed



1. Press the “ON-OFF” button to activate the cruise control.  
Press the button once more to deactivate the cruise control.
2. Accelerate or decelerate to the desired speed and push the lever down to set the cruise control speed.

## ● Changing the vehicle-to-vehicle distance

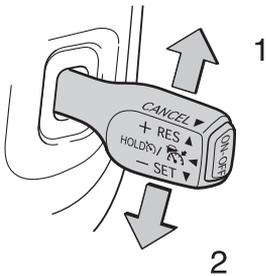


Pressing the switch changes the vehicle-to-vehicle distance as follows:

1. Long
2. Medium
3. Short

If a vehicle is running ahead of you, the preceding vehicle mark will also be displayed.

## ● Adjusting the speed setting

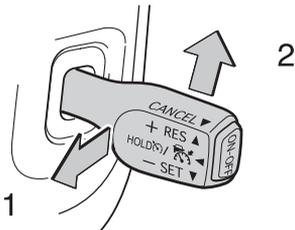


1. Increase speed
2. Decrease speed

Fine adjustment: Momentarily move the lever in the desired direction.

Large adjustment: Hold the lever in the desired direction.

## ● Canceling and resuming follow-up cruising/resuming regular acceleration



1. Cancel

Pulling the lever toward you to cancels the cruise control.

The speed setting is also canceled when the brakes are applied.

2. Resuming follow-up cruising

After the vehicle ahead of you starts off, push the lever up.

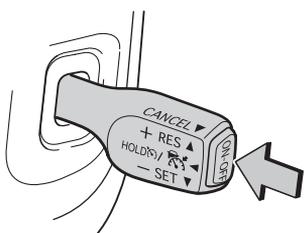
Your vehicle will also resume follow-up cruising if the accelerator pedal is depressed after the vehicle ahead of you starts off.

Resume

Pushing the lever up resumes the cruise control and returns vehicle speed to the set speed.

Resuming is available when the vehicle speed is more than approximately 25 mph (40 km/h).

## ● Selecting constant speed control mode



With the cruise control off, press and hold the “ON-OFF” button for 1.5 seconds or more.

Immediately after the “ON-OFF” button is pressed, the radar cruise control indicator will come on.

Afterwards, it switches to the cruise control indicator.

## **Cruise control operation (if equipped)**

- **Cruise control can be set when**
  - The shift position is in D.
  - Vehicle speed is above approximately 25 mph (40 km/h).
- **Set the vehicle speed**

See “Set the vehicle speed” on page 4.
- **Adjusting the speed setting**

See “Adjusting the speed setting” on page 5.
- **Canceling and resuming regular acceleration**

See “Canceling and resuming follow-up cruising/resuming regular acceleration” on page 5.

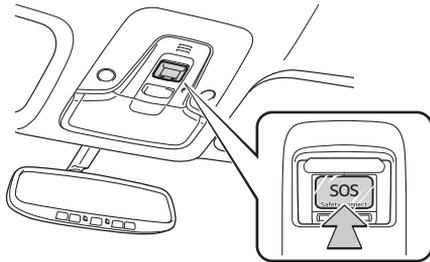
## **Safety Connect (if equipped)**

Subscribers have the following Safety Connect services available:

- **Automatic Collision Notification**

Helps drivers receive necessary response from emergency service providers.
- **Stolen Vehicle Location**

Helps drivers in the event of vehicle theft.



- **Emergency Assistance Button (SOS)**

Connects drivers to response-center support by pressing the “SOS” button.
- **Roadside Assistance**

Provides drivers various on-road assistance by pressing the “SOS” button.

# For Better Driving

## For Eco-friendly and economical driving

- **When depressing the accelerator pedal**

After accelerating, release the accelerator pedal and then gently depress it again. This increases use of the electric motor (traction motor).

- **When depressing the brake pedal**

Depress the brake pedal lightly and in good time. This allows a larger amount of electrical energy to be recharged while decelerating.

- **When in heavy traffic**

Use the accelerator pedal as little as possible, releasing the brake pedal instead to progress forward slowly. This helps to control excessive fuel consumption.

Repeatedly accelerating and decelerating and waiting for long periods of time at traffic lights can be detrimental to fuel economy. Make sure to check traffic information before leaving and to avoid delays whenever possible.

- **When driving at high speed**

Drive at a moderate and constant speed.

- **When the vehicle is stopped**

Shift the shift position to P. If the shift position is set to N while the gasoline engine is turning over, the gasoline engine will not stop, consuming excess fuel and preventing the hybrid battery (traction battery) from recharging.

- **Checking tire inflation pressure**

Check the tire inflation pressure frequently to keep it at the proper level.

# Things You Must Know



There is an air intake vent under the right side of the rear seat for the purpose of cooling the hybrid battery (traction battery). If the vent becomes blocked, the hybrid battery (traction battery) may overheat, leading to a reduction in hybrid battery (traction battery) output.

## The regenerative braking

- The motor generator converts kinetic energy to electric energy when the accelerator pedal is released or the brake pedal is depressed with the shift position in D or B.
- If the accelerator pedal is released while driving downhill, gasoline engine revolutions may increase. This is not a malfunction.

## Charging the battery

Shift the shift position to D when driving.

In the N position, the gasoline engine operates but electricity cannot be generated.

The hybrid battery (traction battery) will be discharged requiring unnecessary engine power to recharge.