2015 Prius Plug-in Hybrid Quick Reference Guide
This Quick Reference Guide is a summary of basic vehicle operations. It contains brief descriptions of fundamental operations so you can locate and use the vehicle’s main equipment quickly and easily.

The Quick Reference Guide is not intended as a substitute for the Owner’s Manual located in your vehicle’s glove box. We strongly encourage you to review the Owner’s Manual and supplementary manuals so you will have a better understanding of your vehicle’s capabilities and limitations.

Your dealership and the entire staff of Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. wish you many years of satisfied driving in your new Prius Plug-in Hybrid.

A word about safe vehicle operations

This Quick Reference Guide is not a full description of Prius Plug-in Hybrid operations. Every Prius Plug-in Hybrid owner should review the Owner’s Manual that accompanies this vehicle.

Pay special attention to the boxed information highlighted in color throughout the Owner’s Manual. Each box contains safe operating instructions to help you avoid injury or equipment malfunction.

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1 Visit your Toyota dealer for information on customizing this feature.
2 Programmable by customer. Refer to the Owner’s Manual for instructions and more information.
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Instrument panel

Steering wheel controls

1. Steering wheel audio controls
2. Voice command button
3. Steering wheel climate controls
4. Multi-Information Display button
5. “TRIP” button
6. Cruise control/Dynamic Radar Cruise Control switch
7. Dynamic Radar Cruise Control distance selection switch
8. Telephone controls
9. Headlight and turn signal controls/Headlight, turn signal and front fog light controls
10. Wiper and washer controls
11. Charging timer switch
12. Head-Up Display switches
13. Power button
14. Multi-Information Display
15. Audio
16. Air Conditioning controls
17. Rear window and outside rearview mirror defogger button

1. “PWR MODE” switch
2. Emergency flasher button
3. “ECO MODE” switch
4. “EV/HV” mode selection switch
5. Shift lever
6. “P” position switch
7. Tilt and telescopic steering lock release lever
8. Power rearview mirror controls
9. Headlight cleaner switch
10. Fuel filler door opener
11. Mph or km/h button
12. Instrument panel light control

1. If equipped
2. For details, refer to the “Navigation System Owner’s Manual.”
3. For details, refer to the “Display Audio System Owner’s Manual.”
Instrument cluster

1. Service indicators and reminders
2. Transmission shift position indicator
3. Multi-Information Display
4. Instantaneous fuel consumption
5. Speedometer
6. Fuel gauge

Indicator symbols

For details, refer to “Indicators and warning lights,” Section 2-2, 2014 Owner’s Manual.

- **BRK**  Brake system warning
- **P**  Brake system warning light (yellow indicator)
- **A**  Driver seat belt reminder
  (alarm will sound if speed is over 12 mph)
- **PAS**  Front passenger seat belt reminder
  (alarm will sound if speed is over 12 mph)
- **C**  Charging system warning
- **ABS**  Front passenger occupant classification indicator
- **M**  Malfunction/Check engine indicator
- **L**  Low fuel level warning
- **O**  Open door warning
- **A**  Airbag SRS warning
- **W**  Master warning
- **L**  Low tire pressure warning

1 If indicator does not turn off within a few seconds of starting Hybrid System, there may be a malfunction. Have vehicle inspected by your Toyota dealer.

2 If this light flashes, refer to “Cruise control,” Section 2-4, 2015 Owner’s Manual.

3 If this light flashes, refer to “Dynamic radar cruise control,” Section 2-4, 2015 Owner’s Manual.
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Keyless entry

Locking operation

Unlocking operation

NOTE: If a door is not opened within 60 seconds of unlocking, all doors will relock for safety.

Remote Climate system operation

Will automatically shut off after 10 minutes, or if a door is opened.

NOTE: Remote Climate system can also be activated via smartphone using Entune Plug-in Hybrid apps (if equipped)

Panic button

Smart Key System

Start function

Power (without starting Hybrid System)

Without depressing the brake pedal, pressing the “POWER” switch will change the operation mode in succession from:

Accessories such as the radio will operate.

Power ON; Hybrid System is not engaged.

All systems OFF.

Locking

Unlocking

Back door lock/unlock

* Driver door unlocking function can be programmed to unlock driver door only, or all doors. Grasping passenger door handle or pushing unlock button on rear hatch will unlock all doors. (If equipped)

NOTE: Doors may also be locked/unlocked using remote.
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Fuel tank door release and cap

NOTE: Tighten until one click is heard. If the cap is not tightened enough, Check Engine “ ○ ” indicator may illuminate.

Charge port

Refer to the Owner’s Manual for more details.

Hood release

Engage support rod

Light control-Instrument panel

Brightness control
NOTE: Regularly scheduled maintenance, including oil changes, will help extend the life of your vehicle and maintain performance. Please refer to the “Warranty & Maintenance Guide.”

The charge cable included with the vehicle is designed to be connected only to an AC 120V power source.

NOTE: Toyota recommends installing a heavier-duty 15-amp wall receptacle with GFCI (Ground-Fault Circuit-Interrupter).
**Charging**

The Prius Plug-in may be charged immediately, or scheduled to charge at a specific time. Before charging, it is recommended that:

- Parking brake is securely set
- All lights are turned off
- The POWER switch is OFF

**Start charging**

**Step 1** Plug the charge cable into the outlet of the external power source.

**NOTE:** Hanging the CCID on a hook is recommended to reduce the strain on the outlet and charge cable plug.

- Make sure to hold the body of the plug and insert it firmly into the outlet.
- Check that the power indicator of the CCID (Charging Circuit Interrupting Device) is illuminated.
- The surface of the CCID may become hot, but this does not indicate a malfunction.

**Step 2** Press the test button on the CCID to check that the electrical leakage detection function operates properly.

- If the error warning indicator illuminates when test button is pressed, the function is operating correctly.
- After the test is completed, press reset button to turn off the error warning. Charging cannot occur while error warning is illuminated.
- If the error warning indicator does not come on when test button is pressed, the function may not be operating correctly. Stop charging immediately and contact your Toyota dealer.

**Step 3** Press the charge port lid to open.

**Step 4** Remove the charge connector cap. Affix the cap to the cable.

**Step 5** Insert the charge cable connector into the charge inlet.

- Do not press the latch release button when inserting the connector.
- Align with the guide position shown on underside of the charge connector, and push it in until it clicks.

**Step 6** Confirm that the charging indicator is illuminated. (When the charge timer function is in use, the light will turn off several seconds after illuminating.)

- Charging will not start if the charging indicator does not illuminate when the charging connector is inserted.
- The amount of time until charging is completed can be checked on the energy monitor by turning the POWER switch to ON mode.
- The charging indicator will turn off when charging is completed.

Refer to the *Owner’s Manual* for more details.
Use of the charging timer can help reduce electricity costs by making it easy to charge during off-peak hours.

**Set the charging timer**

**Step 1** Stop the vehicle and press the charging timer switch.

The Multi-Information Display will switch to the charging timer display.

**Step 2** Press and hold the charging timer switch.

The timing display will change from solid to flashing.

**Step 3** Press the charging timer switch to select the setting mode.

The mode will switch with each press of the charging timer switch.

**Step 4** Adjust the set time using the time adjustment button.

1. Adjust hours
2. Adjust minutes
3. Round to the nearest hour*

* Example: 1:00 to 1:29 -> 1:00
   1:30 to 1:59 -> 2:00

**Step 5** Press and hold the charging timer switch.

Once set, the time display will change from flashing to solid, and the charging timer indicator on the instrument cluster will come on.

**Step 6** Turn the POWER switch off.

The charging time indicator will start flashing.

**Step 7** Connect the charge cable to the vehicle.

Check that the charging indicator has come on. It will turn off after several seconds. If the indicator does not come on, re-insert the charge connector. If it still does not come on, check the power supply status using the power indicator on the CCID (Charging Circuit Interrupting Device).

**Cancelling charging timer**

If the charging timer switch is pressed while the charging timer indicator is illuminated or flashing, the charging timer function will be canceled. Charging will commence immediately if the charging cable is connected to the vehicle.

The charging timer indicator will turn off if the charging timer function is canceled.
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After charging

Step 1 Pull the charge connector toward you while pressing the latch release button.

Step 2 Attach the charge connector cap.

Step 3 Close the charge port lid.

Step 4 Remove the plug from the outlet when the charging equipment will not be used for a long period of time.

  Hold the body of the plug when removing. Make sure to put the cable away immediately after disconnecting.

Multi-Information Display-Charging information

Remaining charging time Charging information is displayed on the Multi-Information Display.

If the POWER switch is turned to ON mode during charging, the current charging status and the amount of time needed until charging is complete will be displayed on the energy monitor.

After confirming, switch the POWER switch to OFF and turn off the display. The POWER switch will turn off automatically after several tens of seconds.

Charging information and warning messages The first time the POWER switch is turned to ON mode after charging is completed, a message detailing the results of the charge is shown. Also, if an operation that cannot be carried out during charging was attempted, a warning message will be shown.

Follow the instructions in the message. The message may not be displayed if the Remote Climate System has been used.

See the Owner’s Manual for more details.
Inspecting electrical leakage detection function

As a precaution, inspect the charge cable on a routine basis (at least once a month).

Check that the electrical leakage detection function is operating properly by following the procedure below.

In the unlikely event that the electrical leakage detection function is not operating properly, contact your Toyota dealer as soon as possible.

**Step 1** Insert the charge cable into the outlet of the external power source.

**Step 2** Press the test button on the CCID (Charging Circuit Interrupting Device).

If the error warning indicator illuminates when the test button is pressed, the function is operating correctly.

**Step 3** Press the reset button on the CCID (Charging Circuit Interrupting Device).

Turn off the error warning indicator. Charging cannot be carried out while the error warning indicator is illuminated.

Charging can be continued by following the normal procedure. If not charging, store the charge cable.

See the Owner’s Manual for important precautionary information.

Charging system safety functions

- The Hybrid System will not start while the charging cable is attached to the vehicle, even if the POWER switch is operated.
- If the charge cable is connected while the READY indicator is illuminated, the Hybrid System will stop automatically and driving will not be possible.
- When the charge cable is connected to the vehicle, the shift position cannot be changed from P to another position.
- If the latch release button is pressed, charging will not begin even if the charge cable is connected.
- Charging will stop if the latch release button is pressed and held for several seconds during charging. When restarting charging, reinsert the charge connector after pulling it out, and check that the charging indicator illuminates.

Plug-in Hybrid Applications

Plug-in Hybrid Applications is a service for plug-in hybrid vehicles that is added to the Safety Connect® and Entune® products. It provides charge support, comfort support and drive support via the vehicle’s navigation system and the owner’s smartphone. The Plug-in Hybrid Apps include Charge Management, Remote Climate, Charging Station Map, Vehicle Finder and ECO Dashboard. Both an active Safety Connect® account and an active Entune® account are required for the services.

The following functions of the Plug-in Hybrid Applications can be used with the navigation system:

**Type A** Download of nearby charging stations to the map screen.

**Type B** View list of nearby charging stations and corresponding charging station information (such as voltage supported).

For details, please refer to http://www.toyota.com/entune.
**Features/Operations**

**Hybrid Synergy Drive System**
The Hybrid Synergy Drive System utilizes a computer-controlled gasoline engine and electric motor to provide the most efficient combination of power for the vehicle. To conserve energy, when the brakes are applied the braking force generates electricity which is then sent to the traction battery. In addition, the engine shuts off when the vehicle is stopped. The benefits are better fuel economy, reduced vehicle emissions and improved performance.

*NOTE: Fuel consumption and energy information of the Hybrid System are shown on the Multi-Information Display.*

**Tips for improved fuel economy**
- Ensure tire pressures are maintained at levels specified in the Owner’s Manual.
- When possible, link trips to reduce engine cold starts.
- Avoid driving at speeds that are higher than necessary, especially on the highway.
- When possible, avoid sudden stops to maximize regenerative braking energy.
- Minimize use of the Air Conditioning.

**Starting your vehicle**

(1) Depress the brake pedal, and press the “POWER” switch briefly and firmly.
(2) The “READY” light will blink. After a few seconds, when the light remains steady and a beep sounds, you may begin driving.

**Auto lock/unlock**
Automatic door locks can be programmed to operate in two different modes, or turned OFF.
- Doors lock when shifting from Park.
- Doors lock when the vehicle speed is approximately 12 mph or higher.
- Doors unlock when shifting into Park.
- Doors unlock when the driver’s door is opened within 10 seconds after turning the “POWER” switch OFF.

Refer to the Owner’s Manual for more details.

**Transmission**

*The engine brake is the equivalent of downshifting. Shift to “B” when engine braking is desired (i.e. downhill driving, coasting to a stop, etc.).

**ECO Mode**
ECO Mode helps achieve low fuel consumption during trips that involve frequent accelerating and braking.

Refer to the Owner’s Manual for more details.

**POWER Mode**
Use when a higher level of response is desired, such as when driving in mountainous regions.

Refer to the Owner’s Manual for more details.
EV Mode allows the electric motor (traction motor), powered by the hybrid battery (traction battery), to be used to drive the vehicle under certain driving conditions. EV Mode is the default Mode upon starting the vehicle if the battery has sufficient charge. You can use the EV/HV button at any time to toggle between EV Mode and hybrid mode.

Refer to the Owner’s Manual for more details.

**Tilt and telescopic steering wheel**

Hold wheel, push lever down, set angle and length, and return lever.

**NOTE:** Do not attempt to adjust while the vehicle is in motion.

**Parking brake**

Set: Depress
Release: Depress again

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**EV/HV Mode**

**Seat adjustments-Front**

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* If equipped

**Seats-Head restraints**

Front  
Rear center  
Rear outboard

**Seats-Folding down rear seats**

(1) Press down  
(2) Fold down
**Windows-Power**

Automatic operation: Push the switch completely down or pull it completely up and release to fully open or close. To stop the window partway, operate the switch in the opposite direction.

Window lock switch: Deactivates all passenger windows. Driver’s window remains operable.

**Wipers & washers**

**Front**

* Intermittent windshield wiper frequency adjustment. Rotate to increase/decrease wipe frequency.

**Rear**

1. Wash and wipe
2. Wipe
3. Interval wipe
4. Wash and wipe

**Lights & turn signals**

**Headlights**

Type A

- Headlights
- Parking lights
- Auto
- DRL OFF

Type B

- Headlights
- Parking lights
- DRL OFF

Automatic light cutoff system: Automatically turns lights off after a delay of 30 seconds, or when lock switch on remote is pushed after all doors are locked.

**Front fog lights (if equipped)**

Turn

Front fog lights come on only when the headlights are on low beam.

**Turn signals**

Right turn
Lane change
Left turn
**Heated Seats**

![Heated Seats Diagram]

- Temperature selector
- Temperature setting display
- Air outlet display
- Fan speed display
- Fan speed control
- Windshield defogger
- Rear defogger
- Micro dust and pollen filter mode (turns off automatically after 3 minutes)
- Air Conditioning ON/OFF
- Airflow vent
  - Use “เย็น” (cool) or “ร้อน” (hot) mode to reduce window fogging.
- Air intake control (switch between outside air and recirculated air mode)
- Automatic climate control ON
  - Adjusting the temperature setting will cause the airflow vents, air intake and fan to adjust automatically.
- Climate control OFF

**Audio**

**Type 1**

![Audio Type 1 Diagram]

- Push to tune radio stations manually or select tracks or files
- Touch screen display
- Access to navigation system

**Type 2 (additional functions)**

![Audio Type 2 Diagram]

- Push to select radio or media mode

1 Refer to the “Display Audio System Owner’s Manual.”
2 Refer to the “Navigation System with Entune Quick Reference Guide.”
3 Refer to the “Navigation System Owner’s Manual.”

**Bluetooth® Device Pairing**

1. Press the “SETUP” button
2. Turn the right dial and push to select “Bluetooth”.
3. Push to select “Bluetooth Pairing”.
4. Go to your phone and access Bluetooth settings
5. On your phone, touch the device to be paired.

Once you have connected the Bluetooth device, it is automatically connected whenever the engine switch is in the “ACC” or “ON” position.

**For detailed pairing instructions, see your audio system owner’s manual.**
USB / AUX port

By inserting a USB or an auxiliary cable plug into the USB/AUX port, you can listen to music from a portable audio device through the vehicle’s speaker system while in USB/AUX mode.

Power outlets

Power switch must be set at “ACCESSORY” or “ON” in order to use power outlets.

Steering wheel switches

1. “MODE”
   Push to turn audio ON and select an audio mode. Push and hold to mute/unmute or pause/resume the current operation.

2. “▼ ▲”
   Use to search within the selected audio medium (radio, CD, iPod®, etc.).

Multi-Information Display

Push “DISP” to change between the following information screens:
(1) Energy monitor
(2) Hybrid System Indicator
(3) 5-minute/1-minute interval fuel consumption display
(4) Fuel consumption history display
(5) EV driving ratio

Push and hold “DISP” to set up the displays.

Cruise control

Turning system ON/OFF

Functions

1 The set speed may also be cancelled by depressing the brake pedal.
2 The set speed may be resumed once vehicle speed exceeds 25 mph.
**Dynamic Radar Cruise Control (if equipped)**

Refer to the Owner’s Manual for more details and complete safety precautions before attempting to use “Dynamic Radar Cruise Control.”

**Fixed speed mode**

(1) To select conventional/fixed speed control Push the ON-OFF button. Push the lever forward and hold until the “K” indicator appears.

(2) To set, cancel and resume a speed Refer to instructions in the Cruise control section.

**Distance control mode**

In distance control mode, vehicle will cruise at a set speed, decelerate to maintain selected distance from a slower vehicle traveling in front, and accelerate back up to the selected speed if the vehicle in front changes lanes or speeds up.

(1) To select distance control mode Push the ON-OFF button. The “RADAR READY” or “K” will come on.

(2) To set, cancel or resume a speed Refer to instructions in the Cruise control section.

(3) To change the vehicle-to-vehicle distance Push the distance button to cycle through the settings, which will change progressively from LONG to MIDDLE to SHORT.

**Hill-start Assist Control (HAC)**

HAC helps prevent rolling backwards on an incline. To engage, push further down on brake pedal while at a complete stop until a beep sounds and slip indicator illuminates. HAC holds for approximately two seconds after releasing brake pedal.

Refer to the Owner’s Manual for more details.

**Garage door opener (HomeLink®)* (if equipped)**

Garage door openers manufactured under license from HomeLink® can be programmed to operate garage doors, estate gates, security lighting, etc.

Refer to “Garage door opener,” Section 3-5 in the Owner’s Manual for more details.

For programming assistance, contact HomeLink® at 1-800-355-3515, or visit http://www.homelink.com.

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**Clock**

Refer to the Owner’s Manual for details on adjusting time.

**Hill-start Assist Control (HAC)**
SAFETY AND EMERGENCY FEATURES

Seat belts

If belt is fully extended, then retracted even slightly, it cannot be re-extended beyond that point, unless fully retracted again. This feature is used to help hold child restraint systems securely.

To find more information about seat belts, and how to install a child restraint system, refer to the Owner’s Manual.

Seat belts-Shoulder belt anchor

Push up, or squeeze lock release to lower

Tire Pressure Monitoring (warning) System

If the Tire Pressure Warning indicator “)” illuminates without blinking, adjust tire pressures to factory-specified levels.* The light will turn off after a few minutes. The warning light is designed to turn on when tire pressure is critically low, but it may also come on due to temperature changes or changes in tire pressure from natural air leakage.

If the tire pressure indicator flashes for more than 60 seconds and then remains on, take the vehicle to your local Toyota dealer.

Refer to the Owner’s Manual for more details.

* Refer to load label on door jamb or the Owner’s Manual for tire inflation specifications.

Door locks

Unlock
Lock

Moving the lever to lock position will allow the door to be opened only from the outside.

Doors-Child safety locks

Rear door

Tire Repair System

Tool location

Side deck board

Tire Repair System

NOTE: Please call your roadside assistance provider as your first course of action for tire concerns. Use of the Tire Repair System may lead to additional maintenance requirements at your expense, including but not limited to replacement of a Tire Pressure Monitoring System (TPMS) sensor. Your Prius Plug-in comes with complimentary Roadside Assistance for 3 years from the date of original purchase. Toyota Roadside Assistance can be reached at 1-800-444-4195.

Refer to the Owner’s Manual for more details.
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**Star Safety System™**

All new Toyota vehicles come standard with the Star Safety System™, which combines Vehicle Stability Control (VSC), Traction Control (TRAC), Anti-lock Braking System (ABS), Electronic Brake-force Distribution (EBD), Brake Assist (BA) and Smart Stop Technology (SST).

**Enhanced Vehicle Stability Control (VSC)**

Enhanced Vehicle Stability Control provides cooperative control of the ABS, TRAC, VSC and EPS.

Enhanced VSC helps to maintain directional stability when loss of traction occurs during a turn.

**Traction Control (TRAC)**

VSC helps prevent loss of traction during cornering by reducing Hybrid System output, and Traction Control helps maintain traction on loose gravel and wet, icy, or uneven surfaces by applying brake force to the spinning wheel(s).

Toyota’s TRAC sensors are activated when one of the drive wheels starts to slip. TRAC limits Hybrid System output and applies the brakes to the spinning wheel. This transfers power to the wheels that still have traction to help keep you on track.

**Anti-Lock Brake System (ABS)**

ABS helps prevent brakes from locking up by “pulsing” brake pressure to each wheel. This limits brake lockup and helps provide directional control for the current road conditions.

Toyota’s ABS sensors detect which wheels are locking up and limits wheel lockup by “pulsing” each wheel’s brakes independently. Pulsing releases brake pressure repeatedly for fractions of a second. This helps the tires attain the traction that current road conditions will allow, helping you to stay in directional control.

**Electronic Brake Force Distribution (EBD)**

Toyota’s ABS technology has Electronic Brake-force Distribution (EBD) to help maintain control and balance when braking. Abrupt stops can cause a vehicle to tilt forward, reducing the braking power of the rear wheels. EBD responds to sudden stops by redistributing brake force to enhance the braking effectiveness of all four wheels.

**Brake Assist (BA)**

Brake Assist is designed to detect sudden or “panic” braking, and then add braking pressure to help decrease the vehicle’s stopping distance. When there’s only a split second to react, Brake Assist can add additional brake pressure more quickly than just the driver alone can.

**Smart Stop Technology (SST)**

Smart Stop Technology automatically reduces driving torque when the accelerator and brake pedals are pressed simultaneously under certain conditions.

**Floor mat installation**

There are two types of Toyota floor mats: carpeted and all-weather. Each vehicle has model-specific floor mats. Installation is easy.

To keep your floor mat properly positioned, follow these steps:

- Only use floor mats designed for your specific model.
- Use only one floor mat at a time, using the retaining hooks to keep the mat in place.
- Install floor mats right side up.

Always align the Δ marks