



Getting to Know Your 2006 Vibe

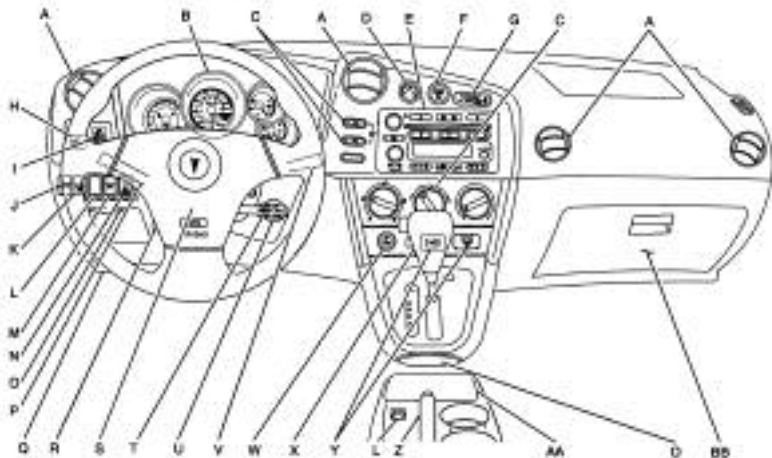


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Congratulations on your purchase of a Pontiac Vibe. Please read this information and your Owner Manual to ensure an outstanding ownership experience. Note that your vehicle may not include all the features described in this booklet. Keep this booklet with your Owner Manual for easy reference.

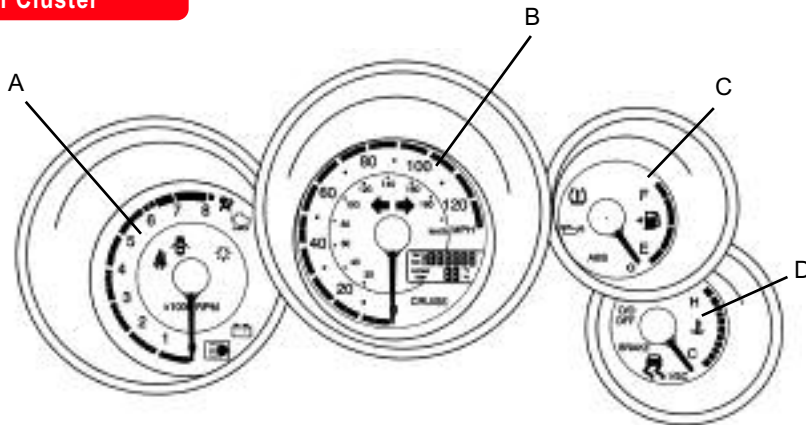
Instrument Panel



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| A. Air Outlets | J. Rear Liftglass Release Button | T. Cruise Control Lever |
| B. Instrument Panel Cluster | K. Tire Pressure Monitor Reset Button | U. Ignition Switch |
| C. Climate Control System | L. Coinholder | V. Windshield Wiper Lever |
| D. Hazard Warning Flasher Button | M. TRAC OFF Button | W. Cigarette Light or Accessory Power Outlet |
| E. Audio System | N. Content Theft-Deterrent Security Light | X. Shift Lever |
| F. Rear Window Defogger Button | O. Storage Compartment | Y. Power Outlet |
| G. Passenger Air Bag Status Indicator/Front Passenger Safety Belt Reminder Light | P. Turn Signal/Multifunction Lever and Exterior Lamp Stalk | Z. Parking Brake |
| H. Power Remote Control Mirror Button | Q. Hood Release | AA. Center Console Storage Area |
| I. Instrument Panel Brightness Control | R. Tilt Lever | BB. Glove Box |
| | S. Horn | |

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Instrument Panel Cluster



Your vehicle's instrument panel is equipped with this cluster or one very similar to it. The instrument panel cluster includes these key features:

- A. Tachometer
- B. Speedometer
- C. Fuel Gauge
- D. Engine Coolant Temperature Gauge

Note: The instrument panel cluster is designed to let you know about many important aspects of your vehicle's operation. It is important to read your Owner Manual and become familiar with the information being relayed to you by the lights, gauges and indicators, as well as what action can be taken to ensure safety and to prevent damage.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Remote Keyless Entry

The Remote Keyless Entry system locks and unlocks the doors and liftglass from a range of three to 30 feet. At times the range may be shorter than usual, which is normal. If the transmitter doesn't seem to be working properly:

- Ensure that you are within transmitter range of the vehicle. Rainy and snowy weather can reduce transmitter range.
- Check to see whether other vehicles or obstacles are blocking the transmitter signal by stepping a few feet to the left or right, and hold the transmitter higher when pressing the button(s).
- Consider the length of time that the transmitter battery has been in service and replace it if necessary.

See *Section 2 of your Owner Manual*.

Content Theft-Deterrent System (if equipped)

The Content Theft-Deterrent System has an indicator lamp to the left of the steering wheel that is labeled SECURITY. After closing all vehicle doors, the system can be activated in three ways:



- Press the Lock button on the Remote Keyless Entry key fob.
- Press the power door Lock button.
- Lock the front doors manually with the key.

The system arms itself following a 30-second delay. At this time, the SECURITY indicator light flashes.

If the alarm is tripped, the horn sounds in intermittent blasts. The headlamps, turn signals and interior lights also flash to get visual attention. The alarm sounds whenever any door or hatch is opened by force, or if the battery is disconnected and then reconnected. The alarm will also sound whenever it is armed and the rear hatch or liftglass is opened with a key.

See *Section 2 of your Owner Manual*

OnStar®

If your vehicle is OnStar-equipped, the OnStar system provides in-vehicle safety, security and phone services, available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. With OnStar, you can enjoy such available services as:

- Automatic notification of air bag deployment
- Emergency services assistance
- Roadside assistance
- Stolen vehicle tracking
- GM Goodwrench remote diagnostics
- Remote door unlock
- Routing and location assistance*
- OnStar Personal Calling, a hands-free, voice-activated phone service**

These services are easily accessed through the three OnStar buttons in your vehicle.

- Press the blue OnStar button to connect to an OnStar Advisor for services such as GM Goodwrench Remote Diagnostics or routing and location assistance.*
- Press the white Phone button to access OnStar Personal Calling, a hands-free, voice-activated phone service.**
- Press the red Emergency button to connect to an OnStar Advisor who can contact a nearby emergency services provider to dispatch ambulance, police, fire, or other emergency services to your location.

For more information about OnStar features, refer to the OnStar Owner's Manual and Audio CD, located in your glove box.

*Routing and location assistance may require service upgrade

**Available in most markets

See **Section 2 of your Owner Manual.**

Passenger Air Bag Status Indicator

Your vehicle is equipped with a Passenger Sensing System located in the front passenger seat for the front passenger frontal air bag, and a passenger air bag status indicator located on the instrument panel center stack.

Note: It is recommended that children not be placed in the front passenger seat, even with the Passenger Sensing System. All children should be secured in a rear seat, including an infant riding in a rear-facing infant seat, a child riding in a forward-facing child seat and an older child riding in a booster seat.

See **Sections 1 and 3 of your Owner Manual.**

Rear Center Seat Belt Operation

All rear seat positions, including the center position, are equipped with seat belts. Should you have difficulty latching the rear-center seat belt or left-rear seat belt, it may be a result of the left-rear seat belt buckle and the center buckle being mispositioned. Both outboard seat belt latch plates and buckles are different from the center latch plate and buckle. For easier identification, the center seat belt buckle includes the word "CENTER" on its side.

See **Section 1 of your Owner Manual.**

Child Restraints (LATCH)

Your vehicle is equipped with LATCH anchors, and may have top tethers for use with a LATCH compatible child restraint. If your child restraint is not compatible with the LATCH system, you may still use it by installing the child restraint with the seat belt system.

Choose a child seat that is appropriate for the child's age and size (weight and height).

See *Section 1 of your Owner Manual*.

Power Windows (if equipped)

Press the window lockout button, located near the driver's power door lock switches, to disable the passengers' power window switches. Press the button again to enable the window switches.

Only the driver's window will operate with the lockout button pressed.

See *Section 2 of your Owner Manual*.

Driver's Seat Height Adjustment



To adjust the driver's seat height, pull the lever located on the outboard side of the seat cushion until reaching the desired height. (You may find the seat easier to adjust when unoccupied.) Before adjusting, make sure the ignition is off and the vehicle is in Park (P).

See *Section 1 of your Owner Manual*.

Closing the Sunroof

As a safety measure, the sunroof closing mechanism is designed to stop in the middle of its cycle. This prevents objects from being closed in the sunroof. When the sunroof stops and the opening is clear of all objects, release the switch and press it again to complete the closing cycle.

See *Section 2 of your Owner Manual*.

Storing a Flat Tire

Place the flat tire on the rear cargo area floor panel and secure it with the tire tie-down straps located under the cargo floor panel. The proper tie-down strap routing can be found in your Owner Manual.

See *Section 5 of your Owner Manual*.

Air Filtration System

Your vehicle is equipped with a pollen and dust filter that removes common allergens and pollutants from outside air before they reach the vehicle cabin. If air output volume from the heating and air conditioning outlets drops over time (with the fan at its highest setting), the filter may be dirty and may need to be changed. The filter is located in the heating and A/C housing and can be accessed through the filter door, behind the glove box.

See *Section 3 of your Owner Manual*.

Automatic Lamp Control (ALC)

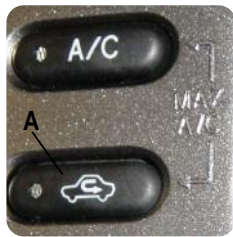
During daytime driving, the ALC may temporarily switch the headlamp and interior light systems, including the radio display, to the nighttime mode. This occurs when passing through darker conditions, such as under a bridge or overpass, or inside a parking garage. The ALC light sensor is located at the upper-left corner of the instrument panel. To ensure proper system operation, avoid placing objects or stickers on the windshield at the windshield's upper-left corner.

See *Section 3 of your Owner Manual*.

Air Conditioning System

To cool the vehicle interior on very hot days, perform the following:

1. Open the windows just long enough to let the hot, inside air escape.
2. Press both the A/C button and the Recirculation button. The Recirculation button is located under the A/C button (see "A" above).
3. Select Vent mode (🌀) and adjust the temperature knob all the way in the blue area.



For continuous maximum cooling, remain in recirculation mode.

See *Section 3 of your Owner Manual*.

Side Vent Airflow


Airflow coming through the climate control system's side vents is normal during all operating modes. To optimize the effectiveness of your system when using the floor, defog or defrost mode, close the outboard vents.

See *Section 3 of your Owner Manual*.

Window Anti-Fog Feature



The vehicle windows and windshield often experience fogging when it is raining, or the humidity is high. To minimize this effect, leave the Recirculation button off and:

- Press the A/C button.
- Select Defrost () on the mode knob.
- Set the fan to HI and adjust the temperature knob as desired.

The Recirculation button automatically deactivates when the Climate Control mode knob is set to the Defrost or Heater/Defrost position. **For optimal defog performance, it is recommended to leave this deactivated.**

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Front and Rear Washers/Wipers



The wiper/washer controls are located on the lever mounted to the right side of the steering column. Moving the lever down activates the front wipers; continue moving it down to the desired setting. (This activation method is the opposite of all other Pontiac models.) Rear wipers are activated by rotating the knob at the end of the wiper lever to the desired setting.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Cruise Control



The cruise control lever is located on the right side of the steering wheel.

Setting Cruise Control

1. Press the ON-OFF button at the end of the cruise control lever. The CRUISE light on the instrument panel cluster will come on.
2. Accelerate to the desired speed.
3. Move the lever down to -SET and release it.
4. Take your foot off the accelerator pedal.

Resuming a Set Speed

To return to a set speed after having used the brakes, push the cruise control lever up to +RES. This returns the vehicle to its set speed.

Increasing Speed

To increase cruise control speed:

- Use the accelerator to reach the desired speed; then move the cruise control lever to the –SET position. Release the lever and the accelerator pedal.
- Tap up or hold the cruise lever up to the +RES position until you reach the desired speed, and then release the lever.

Note: On some vehicles the cruise control system will terminate its set speed memory anytime vehicle speed falls below 25 mph.

Reducing Speed

To reduce speed while using cruise control:

- Push and hold the lever to –SET until you reach the desired lower speed; then release it.
- Tap down on the lever. Each time you do this, you'll reduce vehicle speed by 1 mph.

Ending Cruise Control

There are several ways to cancel cruise control:

- Step lightly on the brake pedal or push the clutch pedal, if you have a manual transaxle.
- Press the ON-OFF button again (this will erase the set speed memory).
- Pull the cruise control lever toward you.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Steering Wheel Lock-Up

The ignition switch provides four positions: LOCK, ACC, ON, START. Should the key become stuck in the LOCK position, or if you are unable to turn the key, turn the steering wheel to the left and right while turning the key hard.

Note: Turn the key only with your hand. Using a tool to force it could damage the key or ignition switch.

See Section 2 of your Owner Manual.

Cold Engine Speed

When the Vibe GT 1.8-liter engine is cold, engine speed is limited to 7200 rpm. This reduces engine wear and exhaust emissions. Once the engine reaches operating temperature, the maximum engine speed of 8300 rpm is available.

See Section 2 of your Owner Manual.

Cold Engine Shifting

When the engine is cold, the vehicle's powertrain computer directs automatic transmission-equipped vehicles to shift early, which may result in slower acceleration. This early shifting eases engine and transmission loads and reduces exhaust emissions. Once the engine warms, the transmission shift points will occur at higher engine speeds.

See Section 2 of your Owner Manual.

Reverse Gear Alert Signal

To ensure that First and Reverse gears on 6-speed manual transaxle-equipped models are not confused, a beeping signal alerts the driver when the transaxle is placed into Reverse gear.

See *Section 2 of your Owner Manual*.

EVAP Leak Detection Pump

Your Vibe is equipped with a vacuum pump for the vehicle's fuel evaporation system. This pump performs a fuel evaporation leakage test approximately five hours after the engine is turned off. You may hear a sound coming from underneath the rear cargo compartment for several minutes. The noise is normal and does not signify a malfunction.

Auxiliary Power Outlets

To use the auxiliary power outlets on the instrument panel, place the ignition key in the ACC (Accessory) or ON position to supply the necessary power. This feature reduces the chances of encountering a weak or dead battery.

See *Section 2 of your Owner Manual*.

Daytime Running Lamps (DRL)

The DRL safety feature illuminates the headlamps at a reduced intensity during the day to make the front of the vehicle more visible to others. This feature can be of particular help in the short periods just after dawn and shortly before sunset. The DRL illuminates only the headlamps — not the taillamps or side-marker lamps.

See *Section 3 of your Owner Manual*.

Note: DRL does not activate if the parking brake is engaged prior to turning the ignition on.

Rear Cargo Track Tie-Downs



At vehicle delivery, four cargo tie-downs and a corresponding installation diagram were provided under the rear cargo floor panel.

See *Section 2 of your Owner Manual*.

115-Volt AC Power Outlet

The 115-volt household-style AC outlet provides current for electrical accessories with a two-prong power plug and a maximum current draw of 1.0 amp. If a device rated higher than this maximum is plugged in, the system resets itself after a 30-second delay.



See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Dome Lamp Control



The dome lamp brightness control dial is located on the instrument panel to the left of the steering wheel. The lamp control switch is located on the dome lamp. To operate the lamp, place the lamp control switch in one of the following positions:

OFF: This position turns the lamp off.

ON: This position keeps the lamp on at all times.

DOOR: This position turns the lamp on when any of the side doors, the liftgate or the liftgate glass is opened. The lamp goes off when all the side doors, the liftgate and the liftgate glass are closed.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Radio Data System (RDS) Operation

Your audio system is equipped with a Radio Data System. RDS features are available for use only on FM stations that broadcast RDS information. With RDS, the radio can:

- Seek stations broadcasting the type of programming you select
- Receive announcements concerning local and national emergencies
- Display messages from radio stations, and
- Seek stations with traffic announcements

When you tune to an RDS station, the station name and call letters will appear on the display instead of the frequency. RDS stations may also provide the time of day, a program type (PTY) for current programming and the name of the program being broadcast. RDS relies on receiving specific information from these stations and will work only when the information is available.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

Tire Pressure Monitor (if equipped)



The Tire Pressure Monitor alerts you when a significant reduction in pressure occurs in one or more of your vehicle's tires by illuminating the (!) (low tire pressure) warning light on the instrument panel. The low tire pressure warning light will remain on until you correct the tire pressure.

You may also have a CHECK TIRE PRESSURE message appear on the DIC (if equipped).

Correcting the Tire Pressure

When the low tire pressure warning light illuminates, you must fill the tire to the proper tire inflation pressure. The Tire and Loading Information label shows the correct inflation pressure for the tires when they're cold. "Cold" means your vehicle has been sitting for at least three hours or driven no more than one mile.

You can temporarily remove the DIC message by acknowledging it with your DIC controls. However, at the next vehicle start-up, the DIC message will reappear if the tire pressure has not been corrected.

You may notice during cooler conditions that the low tire pressure warning light will appear when the vehicle is first started and then turn off as you start to drive the vehicle. This could be an early indicator that your tire pressures are getting low and need to be inflated to the proper pressure.

Note: The Tire Pressure Monitor can alert you about low tire pressure, but it doesn't replace normal monthly tire maintenance.

See Section 5 of your Owner Manual.

StabiliTrak® – Stability Control System (if equipped)



StabiliTrak is a Vehicle Stability Control (VSC) system that uses an advanced computer to assist your vehicle with directional control during difficult driving situations.

StabiliTrak activates automatically whenever you start the vehicle and it engages only when it senses a discrepancy between your intended drive path and the direction the vehicle is actually moving.

The system selectively applies the appropriate brake(s) to help guide the vehicle in the direction you are steering.

The system will activate when the vehicle speed reaches or exceeds 9 mph (15 km/h) and will deactivate when the vehicle speed reduces below 9 mph (15 km/h).

When engaged, the VSC symbol will blink in the instrument panel cluster and an alarm will sound intermittently. Special care should be taken while driving.

See Section 4 of your Owner Manual.

Premium Fuel

Your vehicle may be equipped with an engine that was designed to use premium unleaded gasoline. See your Owner Manual for information on fuel use for your particular vehicle.

See Section 5 of your Owner Manual.

Roadside Assistance

1-800-ROADSIDE (1-800-762-3743)

TTY Users: 1-888-889-2438

As the proud owner of a new Pontiac vehicle, you are automatically enrolled in the Pontiac Roadside Assistance program. This value-added service is intended to provide you with peace of mind as you drive in the city or travel the open road.

Pontiac's Roadside Assistance toll-free number is staffed by a team of technically trained advisors who are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to provide minor repair information or make arrangements to tow your vehicle to the nearest Pontiac dealer.

Pontiac will provide the following services for 3 years/36,000 miles (60,000 km), at no expense to you:

- Fuel delivery
- Lockout service (identification required)
- Tow to nearest dealership for warranty service
- Flat tire assistance
- Jump starts

In many instances, mechanical failures are covered under Pontiac's comprehensive warranty. However, when other services are utilized, our advisors will explain any payment obligations you might incur.

For prompt and efficient assistance when calling, please provide:

- Location of the vehicle
- Telephone number and your location
- Vehicle model, year and color
- Vehicle mileage
- Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)
- Vehicle license plate number

Pontiac reserves the right to limit services or reimbursement to an owner or driver when, in Pontiac's judgment, the claims become excessive in frequency or type of occurrence.

Roadside Assistance and OnStar (if equipped)

If your vehicle is OnStar-equipped, 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.

My GMLink

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