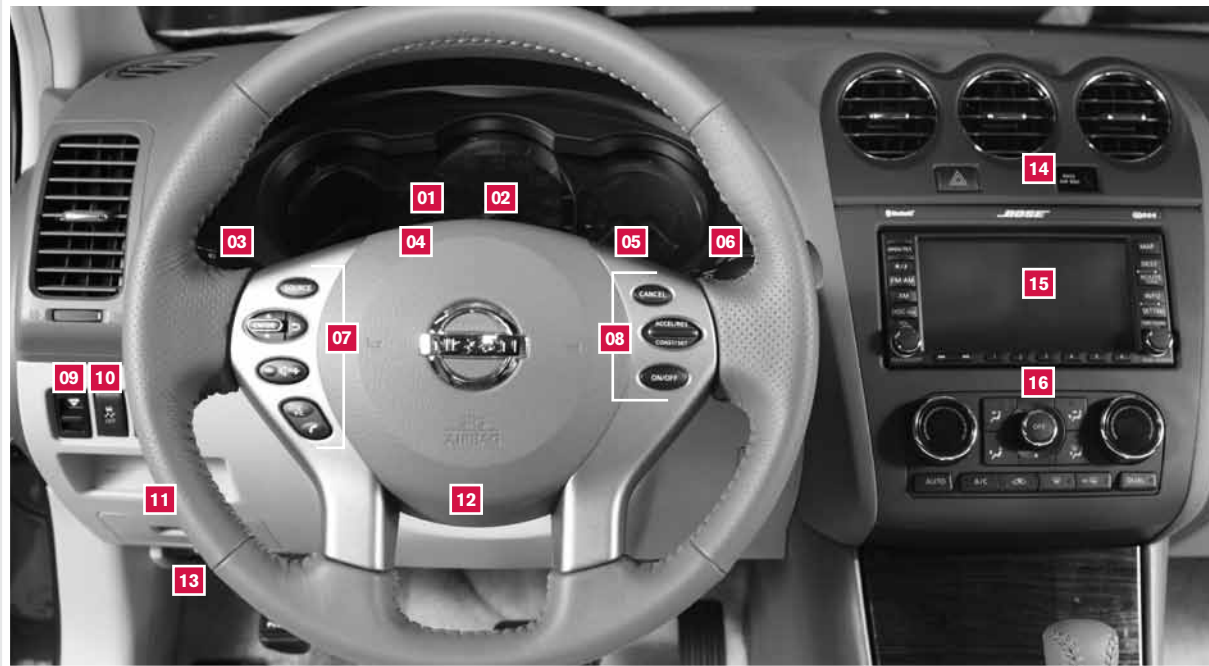


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- A cellular telephone should not be used for any purpose while driving so full attention may be given to vehicle operation.
- Always wear your seat belt.
- Supplemental air bags do not replace proper seat belt usage.
- Children 12 and under should always ride in the rear seat properly secured in child restraints or seat belts according to their age and weight.
- Do not drink and drive.

For more information, refer to the “**Safety — Seats, seat belts and supplemental restraint system (section 1)**”, “**Monitor, climate, audio, phone and voice recognition systems (section 4)**” and “**Starting and driving (section 5)**” of your Owner’s Manual.



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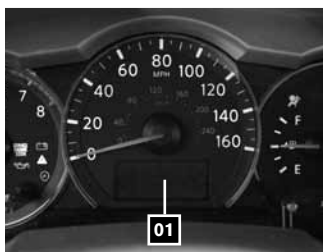
Additional information about your vehicle is also available in your Owner’s Manual, Navigation System Owner’s Manual and at www.nissanusa.com.

This easy-to-use Quick Reference Guide is intended to help you more fully appreciate some of the unique features and functions of your new vehicle. However, it is not intended to replace your Owner’s Manual. The Owner’s Manual contains more detailed information to help you better understand the important safety warnings, features, operation and maintenance of your vehicle. All information, specifications, photographs and illustrations in this publication are those in effect at the time of printing. NISSAN reserves the right to change specifications or design without notice and without obligation.

LOOSE FUEL CAP

- A LOOSE FUEL CAP warning message will display in the vehicle information display **01** when the fuel-filler cap is not tightened correctly.
- To tighten, turn the cap clockwise until a single click is heard.
- The warning message will disappear when the vehicle detects the fuel-filler cap is properly tightened and the reset button **02** is pressed.
- If the cap is not properly tightened, the Malfunction Indicator Light SERVICE ENGINE SOON may also illuminate.

For more information, refer to the "Instruments and controls (section 2)" and the "Pre-driving checks and adjustments (section 3)" of your Owner's Manual.



TIRE PRESSURE MONITORING SYSTEM (TPMS)

- A CHECK TIRE PRESSURE warning message will appear in the vehicle information display **01** and the low tire pressure warning light **02** will illuminate when one or more tires are low on pressure and air is needed.
- After tire pressures are adjusted, drive the vehicle at speeds above 16 MPH (25km/h) and the warning and indicator light will disappear.
- When the low tire pressure warning light flashes for approximately 1 minute and then remains on, the TPMS is not functioning properly. Have the system checked by a NISSAN dealer.
- Tire pressure rises and falls depending on the heat caused by the vehicle's operation and the outside temperature. Low outside temperature can lower the temperature of the air inside the tire, which can cause a lower tire inflation pressure. This may cause the low tire pressure warning light to illuminate. If the warning light illuminates in low ambient temperature, check the tire pressure in your tires.








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NISSAN INTELLIGENT KEY® SYSTEM

The NISSAN Intelligent Key® system allows you to lock or unlock the vehicle, open the trunk and start the engine.

NOTE: It is important to make sure the Intelligent Key is with you (that is, in your pocket or purse).



- To lock the vehicle, push either door handle request switch **01** once or press the  button **02** on the keyfob.
- To unlock the vehicle, perform one of the following procedures:
 - Push either door handle request switch **01** once; the corresponding door will unlock. Push the door handle request switch **01** again within 5 seconds; all other doors will unlock, or
 - Press the  button **03** on the keyfob to unlock the driver's side door. Press the  button again; all other doors will unlock.
- To release the trunk lid, press the  button **04** for more than 0.5 seconds. Lift the trunk lid to access the trunk.
- The Intelligent Key can also be used to activate the panic alarm by pressing and holding the  button **05** for more than 0.5 seconds. Once activated, the panic alarm and headlights will stay on for 25 seconds.

NISSAN INTELLIGENT KEY® BATTERY DISCHARGE

- If the battery in the Intelligent Key is almost discharged, the guide light **06** of the Intelligent Key port blinks and the Intelligent Key insertion indicator is displayed in the vehicle information display.
- To start the engine under these circumstances, insert the Intelligent Key into the key port with the buttons facing upward and the keyring end toward you until it latches into place. Then push the ignition switch to start the engine.
- To remove the Intelligent Key from the port, push the ignition switch to turn the engine off and then pull the Intelligent Key out of the port.
- The Intelligent Key port does not charge the Intelligent Key battery. If you see the low battery indicator **06**, replace the battery in the Intelligent Key.




For more information, refer to the "Pre-driving checks and adjustments (section 3)", "Starting and driving (section 5)" and the "Maintenance and do-it yourself (section 8)" of your Owner's Manual.

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TRUNK LID RELEASE

Use one of the following methods to open the trunk:

- Push the trunk opener request switch **01**, located on the far right under the trunk handle, for more than 1 second while carrying the NISSAN Intelligent Key® with you.
- Press the  button on the Intelligent Key for more than 0.5 seconds.



- From inside the vehicle, push the trunk opener switch **02** located on the instrument panel to the left of the steering wheel.

For more information, refer to the “**Pre-driving checks and adjustments (section 3)**” of your Owner’s Manual.



POWER SEAT ADJUSTMENTS (if so equipped)

- Push the control switch **01** forward or backward to slide the seat forward or backward.
- Push the switch **02** forward or backward to adjust the angle of the seatback.

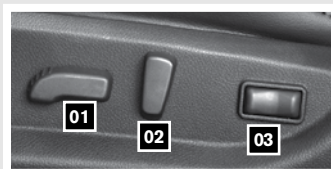
SEAT LIFTER (if so equipped for driver’s seat)

- To adjust the angle and height of the seat cushion, push the front or rear end of the switch **01** up or down.

LUMBAR SUPPORT (if so equipped for driver’s seat)

- To adjust the seat lumbar area, push the switch **03** forward or backward.

For more information, refer to the “**Safety — Seats, seat belts and supplemental restraint system (section 1)**” of your Owner’s Manual.



PASSENGER REAR SEAT ENTRY/EXIT (Coupe models only)

ENTRY FROM OUTSIDE THE VEHICLE

- Pull the seat recliner lever **01** to the uppermost position pushing the seatback forward. Slide the entire seat forward to access the rear seat.



EXITING FROM INSIDE THE VEHICLE

- Pull the upper seatback release lever **02** to the uppermost position, pushing the seatback forward. Slide the entire seat forward to exit from the rear seat.

For more information, refer to the **“Safety — Seats, seat belts and supplemental restraint system (section 1)”** of your Owner’s Manual.



OUTSIDE MIRROR CONTROL SWITCH

- Turn the control switch right or left to select the right or left side mirror.
- Move the control switch up, down, right or left to adjust the mirror angle.
- Turn and set the switch to the middle “neutral” position to prevent accidentally moving the mirror.



For more information, refer to the **“Pre-driving checks and adjustments (section 3)”** of your Owner’s Manual.

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STARTING/STOPPING THE ENGINE

CONTINUOUSLY VARIABLE TRANSMISSION
(if so equipped)

- Depress the brake pedal.
- Move the shift lever to **P (PARK)**.
- Push the ignition switch to start the engine.

NOTE: It is important to make sure the NISSAN Intelligent Key® is with you (that is, in your pocket or purse).

MANUAL TRANSMISSION (if so equipped)

- Depress the brake pedal.
- Move the shift lever to **N (NEUTRAL)**.
- Depress the clutch pedal to the floor.
- Push the ignition switch to start the engine.

TURNING THE ENGINE OFF

- For a Continuously Variable Transmission, move the shift lever to the **P (PARK)** position, apply the parking brake and push the ignition switch.
- For a manual transmission, apply the foot brake, place the vehicle in 1st gear, apply the parking brake and push the ignition switch.

EMERGENCY ENGINE SHUT OFF



To shut off the engine in an emergency situation while driving, perform one of the following procedures:

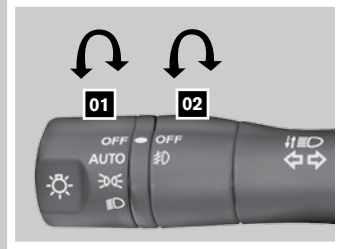
- Rapidly push the push-button ignition switch 3 consecutive times, or
- Push and hold the push-button ignition switch for more than 2 seconds.

For more information, refer to the "**Starting and driving (section 5)**" of your Owner's Manual.





HEADLIGHT CONTROL SWITCH


- Turn the headlight control switch **01** to the  position to turn on the front parking, tail, license plate and instrument panel lights.
- Turn the switch **01** to the  position to turn on the headlights.




AUTOLIGHT SYSTEM (if so equipped)

- The autolight system will automatically turn the headlights on when it is dark and off when it is light.
- The autolight system will keep the headlights on for a period of time after you turn the ignition off and all doors are closed.
- To activate the autolight system, turn the headlight control switch **01** to the **AUTO** position then turn the ignition switch to **ON**. To deactivate the autolight system, turn the headlight control switch **01** to the **OFF**,  or  position.

FOG LIGHT SWITCH (if so equipped)

NOTE: The headlights must be on and the low beams  selected for the fog lights to operate.

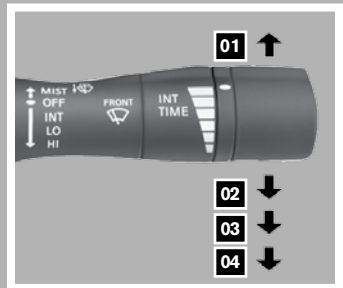
- Turn the switch (inside collar) **02** to the  position to turn the fog lights on.
- Turn the switch (inside collar) **02** to the **OFF** position to turn the fog lights off.

For more information, refer to the “**Instruments and controls (section 2)**” of your Owner’s Manual.

WINDSHIELD WIPER/WASHER SWITCH

- Move the lever to the following positions to operate the windshield wipers:

- 01** Mist (**MIST**) - One sweep operation of the wipers.
- 02** Intermittent (**INT**) - Operates speed-sensing wiper system intermittently.
- 03** Low (**LO**) - Wipers operate at a continuous low-speed.
- 04** High (**HI**) - Wipers operate at a continuous high-speed.



- Pull the lever toward you to activate the washer. The wipers will operate several times.

For more information, refer to the “**Instruments and controls (section 2)**” of your Owner’s Manual.

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AUTOMATIC CLIMATE CONTROLS (if so equipped)

01 AUTO BUTTON

- Press the **AUTO** button to turn the system on and the fan speed, air flow distribution and temperature will be automatically maintained.

02 TEMPERATURE CONTROL DIALS

- Turn the temperature control dial left for cooler air or right for warmer air.


03 AIR FLOW CONTROL BUTTONS

- Select the air flow outlets by pushing the corresponding air flow control button. Air flows from center vents, side vents, foot outlets and defroster outlets as indicated by the icons.

04 FAN SPEED CONTROL DIAL/OFF BUTTON

- Turn the dial to the left to decrease fan speed or to the right to increase fan speed.
- Press the button to turn the system off.

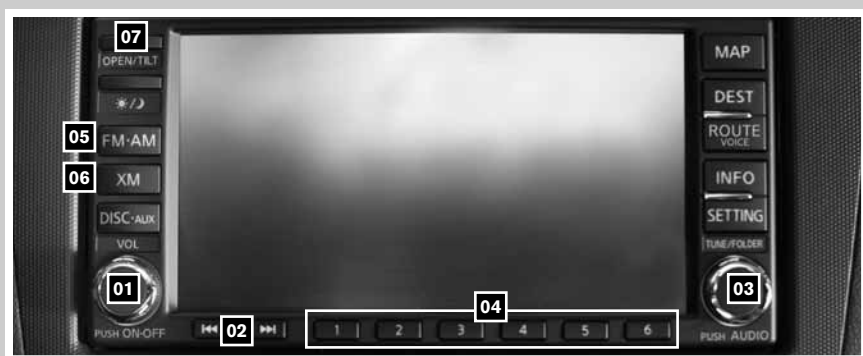
05 DEFROSTING/DEFOGGING FRONT AND SIDE WINDOWS

- Press the front window defroster button  to turn the system on or off.

06 REAR WINDOW AND OUTSIDE MIRROR (if so equipped) DEFROSTER SWITCH

- Press the rear window defroster switch **RR**  to turn the system on or off.

For more information, refer to the “**Instruments and controls (section 2)**” and the “**Monitor, climate, audio, phone and voice recognition systems (section 4)**” of your Owner’s Manual.



FM/AM/XM^{®*} SATELLITE RADIO WITH CD/DVD PLAYER (if so equipped)

01 VOL/ON-OFF CONTROL KNOB

- Press the **VOL/ON-OFF** control knob to turn the system on or off.
- Turn the **VOL/ON-OFF** control knob right or left to increase or decrease the volume.

02 SEEKING BUTTON

- To scan quickly through each broadcasting station, press the seeking button left ◀◀ or right ▶▶.
- For XM[®] satellite radio, press ◀◀ or ▶▶ to switch to the first channel of the previous or next category.
- Press ◀◀ or ▶▶ to change tracks on a CD.
- Press and hold ◀◀ or ▶▶ to fast forward or rewind a track on a CD.

03 TUNE/FOLDER/AUDIO CONTROL KNOB

- To manually tune the radio, turn the **TUNE/FOLDER/AUDIO** control knob left or right.

04 STATION SELECT BUTTONS

Twelve stations can be set for the FM band, six for the AM band and eighteen for XM^{*} satellite radio.

- To store a station in a preset you must first select a radio band by pressing the **FM-AM** 05 or **XM** button 06, then tune to the desired AM, FM or XM satellite station.
- Then press and hold the desired station select button (1-6) until the preset number is updated on the display and the sound is briefly muted. The channel indicator will then come on and the sound will resume. Programming is now complete.
- To retrieve a previously set station, select the radio band where the preset was stored then press the corresponding station select button (1-6).

07 CD/DVD OPEN/TILT BUTTON

- Press and hold the CD/DVD **OPEN/TILT** button and the display screen will move down to expose the CD/DVD insert slot.
- Press and hold the button again to tilt the screen farther.

*XM[®] Satellite Radio is only available on vehicles equipped with optional XM[®] satellite radio subscription service.

For more information, refer to the “**Monitor, climate, audio, phone and voice recognition systems (section 4)**” of your Owner’s Manual.

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CRUISE CONTROL

- The cruise control system enables you to set a constant cruising speed.
- The system will automatically maintain the set speed until you tap the brake pedal, accelerate, cancel or turn the system off.
- To activate the cruise control, push the **ON/OFF** switch. The **CRUISE** indicator light in the instrument panel will illuminate.
- To set cruising speed, accelerate the vehicle to the desired speed, push the **COAST/SET** switch and release. The **SET** indicator light in the instrument panel will illuminate.
- To reset at a faster cruising speed, push and hold the **ACCEL/RES** switch. When the vehicle attains the desired speed, release the switch.
- To reset at a slower cruising speed, push and hold the **COAST/SET** switch. Release the switch when the vehicle slows to the desired speed.
- To turn off cruise control, push the **ON/OFF** switch. Both the **CRUISE** indicator light and the **SET** indicator light in the instrument panel will turn off.



For more information, refer to the “**Starting and driving (section 5)**” of your Owner’s Manual.

PARKING BRAKE

WITH FOOT PEDAL

- To apply, firmly depress the parking brake pedal **01**.
- To release, firmly press the foot brake **02**, then press the parking brake pedal **01** and the parking brake will release.



WITH LEVER

- To apply, pull the parking brake lever **03** up.
- To release, firmly press the foot brake while slightly pulling up on the parking brake lever. Push the button **04** and lower the lever completely.



For more information, refer to the “**Starting and driving (section 5)**” of your Owner’s Manual.

FUEL-FILLER DOOR

- To open the fuel-filler door, pull up on the release lever located on the floor to the left of the driver's seat.






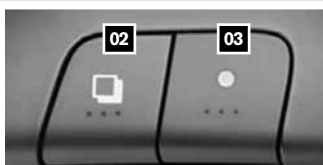
- The fuel-filler door is located on the left, rear side of the vehicle.

For more information, refer to the **“Pre-driving checks and adjustments (section 3)”** of your Owner's Manual.



VEHICLE INFORMATION DISPLAY

- The vehicle information display **01** is located on the bottom of the speedometer.
- Press the  button **02** to cycle through the following modes on the vehicle information display:
 - **MPG** – Displays the instant fuel economy since the last reset.
 - **MPG/MPH** – Displays the average fuel economy and average speed since the last reset.
 - **TIME/miles** – Displays the elapsed time and distance the vehicle has been driven since the last reset.
 - **RANGE** – Displays the estimated distance the vehicle can be driven before refueling.
 - **OUTSIDE TEMP** – Displays the temperature outside your vehicle.
 - **SETTING** – Allows you to set reminders or preferences for alerts, maintenance intervals or language displays in the system.
 - Press the  button **03** to cycle through the various setting modes.
 - Press the  button **02** to choose the selected mode.
 - **WARNING** – If there are any.



For more information, refer to the “**Instruments and controls (section 2)**” of your Owner’s Manual.

BLUETOOTH® HANDS-FREE PHONE SYSTEM (with Navigation System – if so equipped)

- With an overhead microphone and sound transmitted through the audio system speakers, the Bluetooth® Hands-free Phone System utilizes Bluetooth wireless technology and voice recognition to provide hands-free cellular phone communication.
- A cellular telephone should not be used while driving so full attention may be given to vehicle operation.*



CONNECTING PROCEDURE

NOTE: The vehicle must be stationary when connecting the phone.

1. Press the **SETTING** button on the instrument panel and select the “Bluetooth” key on the display.



*Some jurisdictions prohibit the use of cellular telephones while driving.

2. Select the “Connect Bluetooth” key.



3. A popup box will appear on the screen, prompting you to confirm that the connection is for the phone system. Select the “Yes” key.



4. Initiate connecting from the phone.

- The connecting procedure varies according to each cellular phone model. For detailed connecting instructions and a list of compatible phones, please visit www.nissanusa.com/bluetooth.
- When prompted for a Passkey code, enter “1234” from the handset. (The Passkey code is assigned by NISSAN and cannot be changed.)



5. When the connecting is complete, the screen will return to the Bluetooth settings screen.

For more information, refer to the “**Monitor, climate, audio, phone and voice recognition systems (section 4)**” of your Owner’s Manual or please visit www.nissanusa.com/bluetooth.

NAVIGATION SYSTEM (if so equipped)

- Your Navigation System can calculate a route from the current location to a preferred destination. The real-time map display and turn-by-turn voice guidance will lead you along the route.
- The Navigation System will continually update your vehicle’s position. If you have deviated from the original route, it will recalculate the route from your current location.



For more information, refer to your Navigation System Owner’s Manual.

DVD PLAYER (if so equipped)

- With this DVD player, you can play video files via a DVD or CD, providing images and sound from the control panel.
- You can also connect auxiliary devices such as video games, camcorders or portable video players to the auxiliary jacks. (Your device will be controlled through its own control panel.)
- To view movies on the control panel display, stop the vehicle in a safe location, move the shift lever to the **P (PARK)** position and apply the parking brake.
- To reduce driver distraction, movies will not be shown on the control panel display while the vehicle is in any drive position.



For more information, refer to the **“Monitor, climate, audio, phone and voice recognition systems (section 4)”** of your Owner’s Manual.

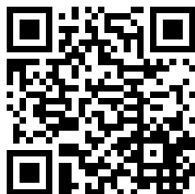


HOMELINK® UNIVERSAL TRANSCEIVER (if so equipped)

- The HomeLink® system can learn and consolidate the functions of up to three different hand-held transmitters, operating items such as garage doors, property gates, outdoor and indoor lights or alarm systems.

For more information, refer to the **“Instruments and controls (section 2)”** of your Owner’s Manual, the HomeLink® website at www.homelink.com or call 1-800-355-3515.

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