2018 KIA OPTIMA
Vehicle Feature Tips

Many of the Tips presented below are covered in greater detail in the Owner’s Manual, Multimedia System Manuals, Features and Functions Guide and Quick Start Guide hang-tag supplied with your new vehicle.

Voice Recognition and Bluetooth®

Using Voice Recognition

Improve Bluetooth® Voice Recognition (VR) performance by making a few simple changes to your phone contacts:

• Use full names (first and last names) vs. short or single syllable names (“John Smith” vs. “Dad”, “Smith Residence” vs. “Home”).
• Avoid using special characters, emojis, and hyphenated names (@, &, #, /, -, *, +, etc.).
• Avoid using acronyms (“Emergency” vs. “ICE” or “In Case of Emergency”) or words with all capital letters.
• Spell words completely; system will not recognize abbreviations (“Doctor Smith” vs. “Dr. Smith”).
• Always wait for the beep before speaking any commands.
• When using VR to place a call, speak in a natural, moderate tone, with clear pronunciation. The system may have trouble recognizing commands if you speak too soft or too loud.
• Open windows, sunroof, weather (wind/rain), or an A/C fan operating at higher speeds can interfere with VR accuracy.
• Your VR system may have difficulty understanding some accents or uncommon names.
• Press the talk button and say “Help” to get a list of available commands.

Pairing or Connecting Your Phone with Bluetooth®

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QR Code

To view a video on your mobile device, snap this QR Code or visit the listed website.
https://www.youtube.com/KiaFeatureVideos

Connecting to Apple CarPlay™ and Android Auto™

Apple CarPlay™

Your vehicle offers you effortless command of your compatible iPhone® when you connect through Apple CarPlay™ on your UVO display. This will enable you to make calls, send hands-free texts, access your favorite music and apps, and get navigation help with Siri® voice control.

To connect Apple CarPlay, visit https://youtu.be/N1FQ1Vq0t4A.

Android Auto™

Your vehicle allows you to connect to your compatible Android™ phone via Android Auto™ on your UVO display. Through this feature, you can access music, your phone’s dialer, navigation help and more with an intuitive interface and voice commands. You can even access your phone through your steering wheel controls.

To connect Android Auto, visit https://youtu.be/QPV7u06-R14.
Satellite Radio Reception

Satellite radio reception requires direct line of sight with the satellite transmitting the radio signal. Tunnels, bridges, covered parking, mountainous terrain, tall buildings, heavy foliage, and other obstacles may momentarily interrupt the signal. This is normal operation, and reception will be restored within a few seconds in an open, unobstructed area.

The signal can become weak in some areas that are not covered by the satellite repeater network.

Power Folding Mirrors*

To both fold and unfold the outside rearview mirror, press the folding mirror button as pictured. Please do not attempt to fold the mirrors manually, as this may cause the mirror to not be synchronized with the electric motor.

Should the power folding mirrors be folded in or out manually, they should be re-synched with the motors, or they may not remain in the desired position or appear loose.

To sync the mirror, use the folding mirror button to cycle the power mirror. The mirror should then operate properly when using the power folding feature. Cycle the mirror up to three times to ensure proper operation.

Accessory Mode with Smart Key*

With standard key vehicles, you can turn the key to the accessory mode and utilize the electronic accessories without starting the vehicle. This is still possible with Smart Key-equipped vehicles. To do this, enter the vehicle with the Smart Key and push the ENGINE START/STOP button one time without depressing the brake pedal. This will put the vehicle in Accessory mode and ACC will illuminate in yellow.

If the ENGINE START/STOP button is in the ACC position for more than 1 hour, the button is turned off automatically to help prevent battery discharge.

Tilt/Telescoping Steering Wheel

To adjust the Steering Wheel:
• Push the Lock–Release Lever (A) down.
• Adjust the Steering Wheel to desired distance (B).
• Adjust the Steering Wheel angle (C).
• Pull the Lock–Release Lever (A) up to lock the Steering Wheel in place.

It may be helpful to lift the Steering Wheel up while moving it towards/away from you to adjust desired distance prior to adjusting the angle.

Rear Trunk Operation*

For vehicles equipped with a Smart Key, when the Smart Key fob is in your possession and you are near the back of the vehicle, within close proximity, the hazard warning lights will blink and a chime will sound for about 3 seconds as an alert that the Smart Trunk* is about to open.

Then the alert system will blink and chime two additional times before opening the Smart Trunk*. The Smart Trunk feature is OFF by default. To enable the Smart Trunk, go to User Settings in the LCD Instrument Cluster modes.

If you unlocked your vehicle or opened the rear trunk by pressing the unlock button on your Smart Key (even though it is not necessary to do so), be sure to press the lock button on the Smart Key before walking away, to ensure your entire vehicle is locked again.

The Smart Trunk function can be deactivated by pressing any button of the smart key during the Detect and Alert stage.

Raising the Windshield Wiper Arms

To inspect or replace the windshield wiper blades and to prevent damaging the hood, move the windshield wiper blades to the service position as follows:

After turning off the engine, move the wiper switch to the single wiping (MIST) position within 20 seconds and hold the switch more than 2 seconds until the wiper blade is in the fully up position.

Power Window Lock Button

The driver can disable the power window switches on the rear passengers’ doors by pressing the power window lock switch to the lock position (pressed).

When the power window lock switch is pressed:
• The driver’s master control can operate all the power windows.
• The front passenger’s control can operate the front passenger’s power window.
• The rear passenger’s control cannot operate the rear passenger’s power window.

Wind Buffeting

In many vehicles, when a rear window is lowered and the front window(s) are in the closed position, air flowing past the open window(s) induces pressure oscillations, or pulsations, which may be uncomfortable. When opening the rear window(s), always remember to also open the front window(s), slightly, to relieve the pressure oscillations inside the vehicle.
Condensation Inside Exterior Vehicle Lights

Your vehicle’s exterior lights with clear lenses are vented to the atmosphere to release pressure as the air inside heats and cools. When humid/moist air enters the headlight/tail light, the moisture may condense on the lens surface and appear as fogging or water droplets. This is a normal condition and the moisture will evaporate when the lights are turned ON or when the temperature increases.

USB Ports and Use of Cables

12V 180W
AUX USB 180W

Vehicle may contain USB port(s) for playing music from a compatible media device as well as USB port(s) for charging. Note: devices will only be recharged when the vehicle is in ACC/ON/Start position. If you encounter difficulty plugging in a USB device, change the orientation of the device (may be upside down). Always use the USB charging cable that has been certified by the device manufacturer. Use of aftermarket cables is NOT recommended as they may impact functionality.

Rear Parking Assist System*

The Rear Parking Assist System is not a safety device. The Rear Parking Assist System is a supplemental system that assists the driver by chiming if any object is detected within the sensing area to the rear and side of the vehicle when backing up. When the ignition is ON, the system is activated.

If the vehicle is moving at speeds over 3 mph, the system may not activate correctly. When more than two objects are sensed at the same time, the closest one will be recognized first. The Rear Parking Assist System is not a substitute for safe driving, and may not detect every object behind vehicle. Always drive safely and use caution.

Windshield Defogging

Windshield fogging is caused by moisture in the air condensing on the cold glass. The following practices can help reduce window fogging:

- Keeping the inside of the glass as clean as possible.
- Utilizing the Defrost Mode activates the A/C and opens Fresh Air Vent (A).
- Adjusting the Temperature Control to the desired temperature (B).

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Seat Warmers / Ventilated Seats*

Yellow Color: Warming
Blue Color: Ventilating

- Press top/bottom of button once for high setting (3 LEDs lit).
- Press button twice for medium setting (2 LEDs lit).
- Press a third time for low setting (1 LED lit) and again to turn OFF.

With the seat warmer switch in the ON position, the heating system in the seat turns OFF or ON automatically depending on the seat temperature.

Driver Position Memory System*

To store a seating position into memory, first place the shifter into P (Park) while the ignition switch is ON. Then:

1. Adjust the driver’s seat.
2. Press the SET button (A) on the control panel. The system will beep once.
3. Press one of the memory buttons (B) within 5 seconds. The system will beep twice when memory has been stored.
4. “Driver (1 or 2) set is memorized” will appear on the instrument cluster LCD display.

Blind-Spot Detection (BSD) System*

The BSD system uses radar sensors to help alert the driver before changing lanes. The light on the BSD button will illuminate when turned ON. The outside rearview mirror warning lights will also illuminate for 3 seconds.

The system will become active when the vehicle is traveling more than 18 mph and will alert the driver if another vehicle is detected by the radar sensor.

Blind Spot Detection is not a substitute for safe driving, and may not detect every object around vehicle. Always drive safely and use caution.

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