



At General Motors, safety is our number one priority. Today, we are proud to introduce an industry-first Buckle to Drive feature, which can remind young drivers to buckle up before driving under certain conditions. Standard in the 2020 Chevrolet Traverse, when Buckle to Drive is active it can prevent the driver from shifting the vehicle out of park if the driver's seat belt is not buckled. Buckle to Drive is available when the vehicle is in Teen Driver Mode.

Buckle to Drive builds upon [Chevrolet's Teen Driver system introduced in 2015](#), as another step to help keep teen drivers safe on the road.

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How Buckle to Drive Works:

- The Buckle to Drive feature is available only when the vehicle is in Teen Driver mode.
- If the vehicle is on and the driver's seat belt is not buckled, the feature is designed not to allow the driver to shift out of park for up to 20 seconds. On pressing the brake pedal, the driver will hear an audible alert and see a message in the driver information center that reads "Buckle seat belt to shift."
- Buckle to Drive will first be available on the 2020 Chevrolet Traverse and Malibu, available summer of 2019.

Seat Belt Fast Facts:

- Using your seat belt is the number one thing you can do to protect yourself in a crash. [NHTSA¹](#)
- Compared with other age groups, teens have among the lowest rates of seat belt use. [CDC²](#)
- Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for U.S. teens. [CDC³](#)
- In 2016, 2,433 teens in the United States ages 16–19 were killed and 292,742 were treated in emergency departments for injuries suffered in motor vehicle crashes. [CDC³](#)
- In 2017 alone, seat belts saved an estimated 14,955 lives. [NHTSA¹](#)
- Of the 37,133 people killed in motor vehicle crashes in 2017, 47 percent were not wearing seat belts. [NHTSA¹](#)

About Teen Driver

- Teen Driver offers an industry-first in-vehicle report card that lets parents view on a display how their teenager drove the vehicle. The report card tracks:
 - o Distance driven, Maximum speed traveled, Over-speed warnings issued, Wide open throttle events and the number of times other safety systems were activated, including: Stability control, Traction control and Antilock braking
- To use Teen Driver, a parent can enable the feature by creating a PIN in the Settings menu, which then allows them to register their teen's key fob. The Teen Driver settings are turned on only when a registered key fob is used to start the vehicle.
- When active, Teen Driver automatically mutes the radio until driver and front passenger seat belts are fastened. Additionally, the radio system's maximum volume can also be set to a lower level.

- If the vehicle is equipped with certain active safety features like Forward Collision Alert*, they are automatically turned On.
- Parents can select a speed warning (between 40-75 mph), which, if exceeded, activates a visual warning and audible chime.
- Parents can choose to limit the maximum speed of the vehicle to 85 mph.

* Read the vehicle owner's manual for important safety or driver assistance feature limitations and information

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