2013 Scion tC
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 the 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 the vehicle’s capabilities and limitations.

Your dealership and the entire staff of Scion, a marque of Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., wish you many years of satisfied driving in your new SCION tC.

A word about safe vehicle operation

This Quick Reference Guide is not a full description of SCION tC operations. Every SCION tC 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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Instrument panel

1. Power outside rearview mirror controls
2. Hood release
3. Headlight and turn signal controls
4. Paddle shift switches
5. Wiper and washer controls
6. Cruise control
7. Ignition switch (standard key)
8. Steering wheel audio controls
9. Air Conditioning controls
10. Rear window defogger switch
11. Emergency flasher switch
12. Clock
13. Clock adjustment buttons
14. Front passenger occupant classification indicator
15. Engine immobilizer system indicator
16. Power outlet
17. Tilt and telescopic steering lock release

1 If equipped
2 For details, refer to the “SCION Audio System Owner’s Manual” or “SCION Navigation System Owner’s Manual.”
OVERVIEW

Instrument cluster

1 Tachometer
2 Service indicator and reminder
3 Fuel gauge
4 Automatic Transmission shift position indicator (if equipped)
5 Speedometer
6 Odometer/trip meter display change button
7 Odometer/trip meter display
8 Low fuel level warning
9 Instrument panel light control knob

Indicator symbols

For details, refer to “Indicators and warning lights,” Section 2-2, 2013 Owner’s Manual.

If this light flashes, refer to “Cruise control” Section 2-4, 2013 Owner’s Manual.

- Airbag SRS warning
- Low Tire Pressure Warning
- Engine oil replacement reminder
- Turn signal indicators
- Headlight low/high beam indicator
- Cruise control indicator
- Cruise control “SET” indicator
- ABS
- Anti-lock Brake System warning
- High coolant temperature warning
- Electric power steering system warning
- Slip indicator
- Low fuel level warning
- Automatic Transmission fluid temperature warning
- Vehicle Stability Control OFF indicator
- ECO driving indicator
- Engine immobilizer system indicator
- Low engine coolant temperature indicator
- Traction Control OFF indicator

1 If indicator does not turn off within a few seconds of starting engine, there may be a malfunction. Have vehicle inspected by your Toyota or Scion dealer.
2 If this light flashes, refer to “Cruise control” Section 2-4, 2013 Owner’s Manual.
Keyless entry

**Locking operation**

[Diagram of keyless entry lock]

Push ONCE: Driver door

Push TWICE: All doors

**Unlocking operation**

[Diagram of keyless entry unlock]

Push ONCE: Driver door

Push and hold

**Panic button**

[Diagram of keyless entry panic button]

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

Fuel tank door opener and cap

[Diagram of fuel tank door opener]

Pull up

Turn to open

Store

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

Auto lock/unlock

Automatic door locks can be programmed to operate in four different modes, or turned OFF.

- Doors lock when shifting from Park (Automatic Transmission only.)
- Doors lock when the vehicle speed goes above approximately 12 mph.
- Doors unlock when shifting into Park (Automatic Transmission only.)
- Doors unlock when the ignition switch is set from “ON” to “ACC” or “LOCK” and driver's door is opened.

Refer to the Owner’s Manual for more details.
FEATURES/OPERATIONS

Automatic Transmission (if equipped)

- Park*
- Reverse
- Neutral
- Drive
- “S” mode

* The ignition switch must be “ON” and the brake pedal depressed to shift from Park.

Downshifting increases power going uphill, or provides engine braking downhill. For best fuel economy during normal driving conditions, always drive with the shift lever in the “D” position.

Tilt 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

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.”

- Windshield washer fluid tank
- Engine coolant reservoir
- Engine oil filler cap
- Engine oil level dipstick

NOTE: Do not attempt to adjust while the vehicle is in motion.
### Seat adjustments-Front

1. Seat position (forward/backward)
2. Height crank (driver side only)
3. Seatback angle
4. Seatback lock release

### Seat adjustments-Rear

* Pull the lever up to adjust seatback angle, or fold down

### Seats-Head restraints

Front
- Height
- Lock release button

Rear
- Height
- Lock release button

### Cruise control (if equipped)

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¹ The set speed may also be cancelled by depressing the brake pedal.
² The set speed may be resumed once vehicle speed reaches 25 mph.

### Lights & turn signals

#### Headlights
- Parking lights
- Low beam
- High beam
- High beam flasher

#### Turn signals
- Right turn
- Lane change
- Left turn
- Lane change

- Front
- Rear
Windshield wipers & washers

**Front**

Intermittent windshield wiper frequency adjustment

Pull to wash and wipe

**Rear (if equipped)**

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

**Moonroof (if equipped)**

**Opening operation**

Push once to tilt up; again to open

**Closing operation**

Push once to partially close; again to fully close

Windows

**Driver door window controls**

Automatic operation (driver's window) Push the switch completely down and release to fully open. To stop window midway, lightly push the switch in the opposite direction.

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

**Light control-Instrument panel**

Brightness control

**Clock**

12:00

H-Hour set
M-Minute set
**Features/Operations**

**Air Conditioning/Heating**

1. Airflow vent
   - "❄️" mode uses fresh air ("🌬️" indicator OFF) to reduce window fogging.
2. Fan speed
3. Temperature selector
4. Air Conditioning ON/OFF
5. Rear window defogger
6. Windshield airflow
7. Recirculate cabin air (fresh air when OFF)

**AUX port/USB port**

- **AUX port**
  - By inserting a mini plug (not included) into the AUX port, you can listen to music from a portable audio device through the vehicle’s speaker system while in AUX mode.

- **USB port**
  - By connecting a USB memory or USB-compatible portable audio device to the USB port, you can listen to music from the portable audio device or USB memory through the vehicle’s speaker system.

Refer to the SCION Audio System Owner’s Manual or the SCION Navigation System Owner’s Manual for more details.

**Steering wheel switches**

1. "MODE"
   - Push to turn audio ON and select an audio mode. Push and hold to turn audio system OFF.
2. "✈️"
   - Use to search within the selected audio medium (radio, CD, iPod®, etc.).

Refer to the SCION Audio System Owner’s Manual or the SCION Navigation System Owner’s Manual for more details.

**Power outlet**

- Designed for car accessories. Ignition switch/“ENGINE START STOP” switch must be in the “ACC” or “ON” position to be used.

**Cup holders**

**Bottle holders**

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Door locks

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.

Tire Pressure Monitoring (warning) System

After adjusting tire pressures, or after tires have been rotated or replaced, turn the ignition switch to “ON” and press and hold the “SET” button until indicator blinks three times. Then allow the vehicle to sit for a few minutes to allow initialization to complete.

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

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

Spare tire & tools

Tool location

Removing the spare tire

(1) Remove the spare tire cover.
(2) Loosen and remove the bolt.

Refer to the Owner’s Manual for jack positioning and tire changing procedures.
SAFETY AND EMERGENCY FEATURES

**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).

**Vehicle Stability Control (VSC)**

VSC helps prevent loss of traction during cornering by reducing engine power and applying brake force to selected wheels.

Toyota’s VSC monitors steering angle and the direction your vehicle is traveling. When it senses that the front or rear wheels begin to lose traction, VSC reduces engine power and applies braking to selected wheels. This helps restore traction and vehicle control.

**Traction Control (TRAC)**

VSC helps prevent loss of traction during cornering by reducing engine power, 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 engine 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.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**Smart Stop Technology (SST)**

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

SST engages when the accelerator is depressed first and the brakes are applied firmly for longer than one-half second at speeds greater than five miles per hour.

SST doesn’t engage if the brake pedal is depressed before the accelerator pedal, allowing vehicles to start on a steep hill and safely accelerate without rolling backward.

**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.