>> Quick Guide.

smart fortwo coupé and smart fortwo cabriolet
Let the fun begin

This Quick Guide will quickly and efficiently inform you about the most important functions of your vehicle. It does not, however, in any way, replace the Operator's Manual.

This is especially significant with regard to warnings and cautions. This Quick Guide should only be used as a reference. Therefore it is imperative that you read the Operator's Manual carefully and completely before your first drive, paying special attention to the chapter “Safety”. Doing so will help you obtain the maximum pleasure from your vehicle and avoid endangering yourself and others.

Items of optional equipment are marked with an asterisk *. The equipment in your vehicle may vary, depending on the model and availability.

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The Operator's Manual, Quick Guide and Maintenance/Warranty Booklet (USA only) or Service/Warranty Booklet (Canada only) belong to the vehicle. You should always keep these documents in the vehicle and make sure that you pass them on to the next owner if and when you come to sell your smart.

Please contact an authorized smart center if you have any further questions.

The Technical Documentation team at Daimler wishes you many happy hours at the wheel.

Warning!

Various warning stickers are affixed to your vehicle. Their purpose is to draw your attention, and the attention of others, to various dangers. Therefore, do not remove any warning stickers unless the sticker clearly states that you may do so. If you remove the warning stickers, you or others could be injured by failing to recognize certain dangers.

Symbols

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* Optional equipment

⚠️ Warning!

Warning notices draw your attention to hazards that may endanger your health or life, or the health or life of others.

⚠️ Highlights hazards that may result in damage to your vehicle.

ℹ️ Helpful hints or further information you may find useful.

➤ This symbol points to instructions for you to follow.

➤ A number of these symbols appearing in succession indicates a multiple-step procedure.

➤➤ This continuation symbol marks a warning or procedure which is continued on the next page.
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Lower center console

Function

1. Auxiliary power outlet
2. Gear selector lever
3. Starter switch
4. Parking brake lever
5. Coin holder
   Retractable soft top switch⁵

Overhead control panel

Function

1. Passenger front air bag off indicator lamp
2. Switching interior lighting on/off
3. Interior rear view mirror

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**Door control panel**

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Opening and closing

Key

Key with remote control

1  Lock button

2  Opening the retractable soft top\(^7\)/ unlocking the upper tailgate\(^8\)

3  Unlock button

- **Selective unlocking:** Press button \(\text{\#}\) on the key once.
The driver’s door and the fuel filler flap are unlocked.

- **Global unlocking:** Press button \(\text{\#}\) on the key twice.
The passenger door and the tailgate are unlocked in addition to the driver’s door and the fuel filler flap.

- **Global locking:** Press button \(\text{\#}\) on the key.
With the doors, the tailgate(s), and the fuel filler flap closed, the vehicle locks.

Starter switch positions

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When you switch on the ignition, the indicator and warning lamps (except low-beam headlamp indicator lamp, high-beam headlamp indicator lamp, and turn signal indicator lamps unless activated) in the instrument cluster come on. The indicator and warning lamps (except low-beam headlamp indicator lamp, high-beam headlamp indicator lamp, and turn signal indicator lamps if activated) will go out when the engine is running. This indicates that the respective systems are operational.

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\(^8\) coupé only.

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Opening the upper tailgate on the coupé

⚠️ Warning!
Make sure the tailgate is closed when the engine is running and while driving. Among other dangers, deadly carbon monoxide (CO) gases may enter vehicle interior resulting in unconsciousness and death.

- Press button 🎉 on the key twice.
- Press and hold button 🎉 on the key for approximately two seconds.

or

- Pull the release handle in handle recess 1 of the lower tailgate. The upper tailgate is unlocked.
- Swivel the upper tailgate upwards to open.

Opening the lower tailgate on the coupé

⚠️ Warning!
High outside temperature, stop-and-go traffic, driving on long uphill grades, or driving at high engine speed may increase the temperature in the engine compartment. Therefore the area around the air slots in the rear apron may be hot. Let the engine cool off before touching this area to prevent burns.

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 Closing the tailgate(s) on the coupé

⚠️ Warning!
To prevent possible personal injury, always keep hands and fingers away from the cargo compartment opening when closing the tailgate(s). Be especially careful when small children are around.

- Pull both release levers 1 backwards either simultaneously or one after the other. The lower tailgate is unlocked.
- Swivel the lower tailgate downwards to open. The lower tailgate is held in the horizontal position by means of the two retaining straps.
Swivel the lower tailgate upwards to close. Allow the two release levers to engage audibly.

Swivel the upper tailgate downwards to close.

**Opening and closing the retractable soft top (cabriolet only)**

You can fully open the retractable soft top with the key.

**Opening:** Press button \# on the key for approximately two seconds. The retractable soft top opens.

Pressing symbols $, *, or # on the key with remote control while opening the retractable soft top will interrupt the opening procedure.

**Closing:** Press symbol G on the retractable soft top switch.

**Warning!**
When closing the retractable soft top, make sure there is no danger of anyone being harmed by the closing procedure.

The remote control has an operating range of approximately 50 ft (15 meters). Take care that you do not open your vehicle's retractable soft top inadvertently.

**Opening the tailgate on the cabriolet**

**Warning!**
Make sure the tailgate is closed when the engine is running and while driving. Among other dangers, deadly carbon monoxide (CO) gases may enter vehicle interior resulting in unconsciousness and death.

**Warning!**
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Press button \# on the key twice.

Pull the release handle in handle recess 1 of the tailgate. The tailgate is unlocked.

Swivel the tailgate downwards to open.

**Opening and closing the rear soft top (cabriolet only)**

You can open the rear soft top to ease loading and unloading.

**Risk of injury**

Make sure that you read the detailed Operator’s Manual. You could otherwise fail to recognize dangers, which could result in injury to yourself and/or others.
Opening: Push release levers to the left and right of the retaining clip upwards.

Swivel the rear soft top upwards to open.

Warning!
To prevent possible personal injury, always keep hands and fingers away from the cargo compartment opening when closing the rear soft top. Be especially careful when small children are around.

Closing: Swivel the rear soft top downwards to close.

Pull soft top down.

Pull release levers to the left and right of the retaining clip downwards.

Make sure the rear soft top is correctly locked in place on both sides.

Warning!
When adjusting the seat, make sure no one becomes trapped.

Do not adjust the driver’s seat while driving. Adjusting the seat while driving could cause the driver to lose control of the vehicle.

Never ride in a moving vehicle with the seat backrest in an excessively reclined position as this can be dangerous. You could slide under the seat belt in a collision. If you slide under the seat belt, it could apply force at the abdomen or neck, potentially causing serious or fatal injuries. The seat backrest and seat belts provide the best restraint when the wearer is in a position that is as upright as possible and seat belts are properly positioned on the body.

Your seat must be adjusted so that you can correctly fasten your seat belt.

Observe the following points:

- Adjust the seat backrest until your arms are slightly angled when holding the steering wheel.

- Adjust the seat to a comfortable seating position that still allows you to reach the accelerator/brake pedal safely. The position should be as far to the rear as possible, consistent with ability to properly operate controls.

- Never place hands under the seat or near any moving parts while a seat is being adjusted.

Failure to do so could result in an accident and/or serious personal injury.

Observe the notes on the air bag system, see the “Safety” section in the Operator’s Manual.

Warning!
Children 12 years old and under must be seated and properly secured in an

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appropriately sized infant restraint, toddler restraint, or booster seat recommended for the size and weight of the child. For additional information, see the “Safety” section in the Operator’s Manual. A child’s risk of serious or fatal injuries is significantly increased if the child restraints are not properly secured in the vehicle and/or the child is not properly secured in the child restraint.

Warning!
Contact an authorized smart center if the seats have become damaged. The seat is an integral part of the vehicle’s safety system in the same way as seat belts and air bags. Damage to the seats may reduce their ability to protect the occupants in an accident.

Exterior rear view mirrors

Warning!
Exercise care when using the passenger-side exterior rear view mirror. The mirror surface is convex (outwardly curved surface for a wider field of view). Objects in mirror are closer than they appear. Check your interior rear view mirror and glance over your shoulder to determine whether any vehicles are in the ‘blind spot’ of your field of vision, before changing lanes.

Manually adjustable exterior rear view mirrors

Adjusting: Move adjustment lever 1 up, down, left, or right to the desired setting.

Power exterior rear view mirrors

This feature is only available on the model passion. The operating control is on the door control panel.

Mirrors

Adjust the interior and exterior rear view mirrors before driving so that you have a good view of the road and traffic conditions.

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- Make sure the key is in starter switch position 1.
- **Selecting the mirror:** Turn knob 1 to the left for the driver’s side exterior rear view mirror or to the right for the passenger-side exterior rear view mirror.
- **Adjusting the mirror:** Move adjustment button 2 up, down, left, or right to the desired setting.

**Interior rear view mirror**

- **Adjusting the mirror:** Manually move the interior rear view mirror up, down, left, or right to the desired setting.
- **Selecting the antiglare position:** Tilt the interior rear view mirror to the antiglare position by moving lever 1 forward or backward.

**Lighting**

**Exterior lamp switch**

- Exterior lamp switch (USA only)
  - 0: Lamps off
  - 3: Parking lamps
  - 8: Low-beam headlamps or high-beam headlamps
  - AUTO: Automatic headlamp mode*

- Exterior lamp switch (Canada only)
  - 0: Lamps off
  - 3: Daytime running lamp mode
  - 8: Parking lamps
  - 8: Low-beam headlamps or high-beam headlamps

- **Switching on:** Turn the exterior lamp switch to position 8.

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Combination switch (high beam, high-beam flasher and turn signals)

Make sure the key is in starter switch position 1.

High beam and high-beam flasher

Combination switch
1 High beam
2 High-beam flasher

Windshield wipers

Switching windshield wipers on and off

Wiper switch
0 Windshield wipers off
1 Intermittent wiping
2 Slow continuous wiping
3 Fast continuous wiping

Do not operate the windshield wipers when the windshield is dry. Dust that accumulates on a windshield might scratch the glass and/or damage the wiper blades when wiping occurs on a dry windshield. If it is necessary to operate the windshield wipers in dry weather conditions, always operate the windshield wipers with windshield washer fluid.

Turn signals

Combination switch
1 Turn signals, right
2 Turn signals, left

To signal minor directional changes such as changing lanes, push the combination switch only to the point of resistance and release. The corresponding turn signals will flash three times.

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Starting

⚠️ Warning!
Inhalation of exhaust gas is hazardous to your health. All exhaust gas contains carbon monoxide (CO), and inhaling it can cause unconsciousness and lead to death. Do not run the engine in confined areas (such as a garage) which are not properly ventilated. If you think that exhaust gas fumes are entering the vehicle while driving, have the cause determined and corrected immediately. If you must drive under these conditions, drive only with at least one window fully open at all times.

Driving and parking

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Starting the engine

- Make sure the gear selector lever is set to park position P.
  The transmission position indicator should be on P.
- Do not depress the accelerator pedal.
- Turn the key to starter switch position 2 and release it again immediately.
  The engine starts automatically ("touch-start" function).

Parking

⚠️ Warning!
Do not turn off the engine before the vehicle has come to a complete stop. With the engine not running, there is no power assistance for the brake and steering* systems. In this case, it is important to keep in mind that a considerably higher degree of effort is necessary to brake and steer the vehicle.

⚠️ Warning!
Do not park this vehicle in areas where combustible materials such as grass, hay or leaves can come into contact with the hot exhaust system, as these materials could be ignited and cause a vehicle fire.
To reduce the risk of personal injury or damage to the drivetrain as a result of vehicle movement, before turning off the engine and leaving the vehicle always:
- Keep right foot on the brake pedal.
- Pull the parking brake lever up as many notches as possible.
- Move the gear selector lever to park position P.
- Slowly release the brake pedal.

- When parked on an incline, always turn the front wheels towards the road curb.
- Turn the key to starter switch position 0 and remove.
Take the key with you and lock the vehicle when leaving.
- Properly stop and park the vehicle.
- Depress the brake pedal.
- Pull up the parking brake lever as many notches as possible.
  When the ignition is switched on or the engine is running, the brake warning lamp brake (USA only) or (Canada only) in the instrument cluster comes on.
- Release the brake pedal.

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At the gas station

Refueling

⚠️ Warning!
Gasoline is highly flammable and poisonous. It burns violently and can cause serious personal injury.
Never allow sparks, flame or smoking materials near gasoline!
Turn off the engine before refueling.
Whenever you are around gasoline, avoid inhaling fumes and skin or clothing contact. Extinguish all smoking materials.
Direct skin contact with fuels and the inhalation of fuel vapors are damaging to your health.

⚠️ Warning!
Overfilling of the fuel tank may create pressure in the system which could cause a gas discharge. This could cause the gas to spray back out when removing the fuel pump nozzle, which could cause personal injury.

ℹ️ Only use premium unleaded gasoline with a minimum Posted Octane Rating of 91 (average of 96 RON/86 MON).
Information on gasoline quality can normally be found on the fuel pump.
Please contact gas station personnel in case labels on the pump cannot be found.
The fuel filler flap is located on the passenger side towards the rear.

Service flap

Remove the service flap to check the coolant level, windshield washer reservoir level, and brake fluid level.
Insert the service flap on the front of the vehicle so that it does not get damaged or dirty.

⚠️ Warning!
Always turn the key to starter switch position 0 and remove the key from the starter switch before opening the service flap.
If the windshield wipers should inadvertently be switched on, you could be seriously injured by the wiper washer drive, which is located just below the service flap.

⚠️ Warning!
Make sure the service flap is locked while driving. Otherwise, the service flap could become detached and pose a hazard to you or others.

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Warning!
To help prevent personal injury, stay clear of moving parts when the service flap is open.
The radiator fan may continue to run for approximately 30 seconds or may even restart after the engine has been turned off. Stay clear of fan blades.

Check the fill levels at regular intervals.

Carefully remove ice, snow, and any other deposits from the air intake grilles above the service flap to ensure air intake at all times.

- Park the vehicle on level ground.
- Turn off the engine.
- Engage the parking brake.

Recommended tire inflation pressure

Warning!
Follow recommended tire inflation pressures.
Do not underinflate tires. Underinflated tires wear excessively and/or unevenly, adversely affect handling and fuel economy, and are more likely to fail from being overheated.
Do not overinflate tires. Overinflated tires can adversely affect handling and ride comfort, wear unevenly, increase stopping distance, and result in sudden deflation (blowout) because they are more likely to become punctured or damaged by road debris, potholes etc.
Do not overload the tires by exceeding the specified load limit as indicated on the Tire and Loading Information placard on the driver's door B-pillar. Overloading the tires can overheat them, possibly causing a blowout. Overloading the tires can also result in handling or steering problems, or brake failure.

Your vehicle is equipped with the Tire and Loading Information placard located on the driver’s door B-pillar.
The tire inflation pressure should be checked regularly and should only be adjusted on cold tires. The tires can be considered cold if the vehicle has been parked for at least 3 hours or driven less than 1 mile (1.6 km).
Follow recommended cold tire inflation pressures listed on Tire and Loading Information placard on the driver’s door B-pillar.
Keeping the tires properly inflated provides the best handling, tread life and riding comfort.

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Where will I find ...?

Tire repair kit

The tire repair kit is located in the passenger footwell under the carpet.

- Insert a suitable object such as a coin into the slot of carpet holder ①.
- Turn carpet holder ① counterclockwise.
- Lift the carpet.

The following is included:

- Tire sealant container
- Electric air pump with filler hose
- Sticker
- Operating instructions label (on the inside of the tire repair kit lid)

The tire sealant container is located below the tire repair kit.

⚠️ Warning!

The tire repair kit is a limited repair device. In case of a breakdown caused by a flat tire, read carefully through the “Flat tire” section in the Operator’s Manual. When using the tire repair kit follow the instructions in this section. Failure to follow these instructions can result in severe injury or death.

First-aid kit*

The first-aid kit is located on the driver’s side in the cargo compartment.

Check expiration dates and contents for completeness at least once a year and replace missing/expired items.

Risk of injury

Make sure that you read the detailed Operator’s Manual. You could otherwise fail to recognize dangers, which could result in injury to yourself and/or others.
Service and Literature

Your authorized smart center has trained technicians and Genuine smart Parts to service your vehicle properly. For expert advice and quality service, contact an authorized smart center.

If you are interested in obtaining service literature for your vehicle, please contact an authorized smart center. We consider this the best way for you to obtain accurate information for your vehicle.

For further information you can find us on the smart web-site www.smartusa.com (USA only) or www.thesmart.ca (Canada only).

⚠️ Warning!

To help avoid personal injury, be extremely careful when performing any service work or repairs. Improper or incomplete service or the use of incorrect or inappropriate parts or materials may damage the vehicle or its equipment, which may in turn result in personal injury.

If you have any questions about carrying out any type of service, turn to the advice of an authorized smart center.

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