

2006 Mercury | Montego

Get ready to redefine your driving expectations. Your new Mercury

Montego is going to take your automotive experience to a whole new level. And, you get to go along for the ride in style, comfort and confidence.

You know your new Montego has attitude...and you're about to find out it also has intelligence. Your new Montego was one very smart choice.

This Quick Reference Guide was designed to help you get to know your new Montego. The perfect combination of attitude, intelligence and style.

That's your new Montego.

Feels good, doesn't it?



2006 Mercury Montego | Instrument Cluster

Instrument Panel

one | Windshield / Wiper Washer The multifunction lever controls the windshield wiper modes, speeds and the windshield washer. For intermittent operation, move the control up one position. You can then adjust the rotary control to the desired interval speed. For normal or low wiper speed, move the control up two positions from OFF. For high speed operation, move the control up three positions from OFF. For windshield washer control, pull the end of the lever toward you. A brief pull causes a single swipe of the wipers without washer fluid. With a quick pull and hold, the wipers will swipe three times with washer fluid. With a long pull and hold, the wipers will activate washer fluid for up to ten seconds.



two | Speed Control For your speed control to work, you must press and release the ON button. Pressing and releasing the OFF button disengages the system and turns it off. To set a speed, accelerate to the desired speed and press the SET+ button, then take your foot off the accelerator pedal. You can Increase speed using speed control by pressing and releasing the SET+ button until you reach the desired speed, increasing speed by 1 mph (1.6 km/h) with each tap. You can decrease speed in the same way using the SET- button. Pressing the RSM (resume) button will automatically return the vehicle to the previously set speed. The RSM control will not work if the vehicle speed is below 30 mph (48 km/h) or if the OFF or CNCL button was pressed. To disengage the speed control, press the OFF or CNCL button or press the brake pedal.



three | Headlamp Control Turning the headlamp control clockwise to the first position turns on the parking lamps, instrument panel lamps, license plate lamps and the tail lamps. Continuing to turn the headlamp control to the second position turns on the headlamps. To use the autolamp light-sensitive, automatic on-off control for the headlamps, turn the headlamp control counterclockwise. To turn autolamps off, turn the control clockwise to the OFF position. To activate the high beams, simply pull the turn signal lever towards you to the second detent. Pull the lever towards you again to deactivate high beams. Use the same lever to activate the "Flash to Pass" feature. Pull the lever towards you to the first detent to activate and release it to deactivate.



four | Foglamp Control With the ignition on, the foglamps can be turned on when the headlamp control is in the parking lamp, headlamp, or autolamp position and the high beams are not on. Simply pull the headlamp control toward you to turn on the foglamps. The foglamp indicator light will illuminate. The foglamps will not operate when the high beams are activated.



five | Panel Dimmer Use this control to adjust the brightness of the instrument panel and all applicable switches in the vehicle during headlamp and parking lamp operation. Move the control to the full upright position, past the detent, to turn on the interior lamps.



six | Steering Wheel Audio Controls These controls allow you to adjust the radio and CD features from the steering wheel. Press MEDIA to select AM, FM1, FM2 or CD. Press SEEK +/- to access the next/previous strong station or to select the next/previous track on a CD. Press VOL +/- to adjust volume and MUTE to mute the volume.



seven | Tilt Steering Column To adjust the steering wheel, push the adjustment lever down to unlock the steering column. While the lever is down, tilt the steering column to your desired position. Then, while holding the steering column in place, pull the lever up to its original position to lock the steering column. Do not adjust while driving.



Understanding the CVT (if equipped)

Continuously Variable Transaxle (CVT)

The Continuously Variable Transaxle is a fully automatic transmission that electronically monitors vehicle system inputs/outputs and driver demands to select the desired drive ratio. Unlike traditional automatic transmissions, the CVT continually adjusts the optimum overall drive ratio between engine and drive wheels for all operating conditions.



As traditional automatic transmissions shift up or down in gears, the shifting in gear ratios is noticeable by increasing and decreasing engine RPM, which causes a slight energy loss as the gears change. These gear changes can be felt by the driver.

With the CVT, there is no energy transfer loss from shifting because there is no gear shifting up or down. Acceleration up to vehicle operating speed is smooth and continuous, uninterrupted by gear shifting. The same holds true for coasting down to idle: smooth and continuous.

Unlike traditional automatic transmissions, the CVT offers more responsive performance and increased fuel economy.

The use of fluids other than the recommended fluid could seriously damage internal transmission components. For more information, please consult your Owner's Guide.

Warning Lamps and Message Center


a | ABS Warning Lamp In an emergency, apply continuous force to the brake pedal. Do not pump the brakes. Any pulsation or mechanical noise you may feel or hear is normal. If the lamp doesn't illuminate or stays on, have your vehicle serviced. Normal braking is still functional unless the brake warning lamp is also illuminated.


b | Speed Control Lamp The speed control lamp will illuminate when the speed control is engaged. It will turn off when the speed control system is disengaged. The controls for the speed control are located on the steering wheel. Press and release the ON and OFF buttons to engage and disengage the system. Speed control does not work at speeds below 30 mph (48 km/h). For more information, please consult your Owner's Guide.

c | Check Engine Lamp The check engine indicator lamp illuminates when the ignition is first turned to the ON position to check the bulb. If the lamp turns solid or blinks, the On Board Diagnostics System has detected a malfunction. Drive in a moderate fashion (avoid heavy acceleration or deceleration) and have your vehicle serviced immediately.

d | Brake System Warning Lamp To confirm the brake system warning lamp is functional, it will momentarily illuminate when the ignition is turned to the ON position when the engine is not running, or in a position between ON and START, or by applying the parking brake when the ignition is turned to the ON position. If the brake system warning lamp does not illuminate at this time, seek service immediately from your dealership. Illumination after releasing the parking brake indicates low brake fluid level and the brake system should be inspected immediately by your servicing dealership.

e | Message Center With the ignition in the ON position, the message center displays important vehicle information by constantly monitoring vehicle systems. You may select display features on the message center for a display of status. The system will also notify you of potential vehicle problems with a display of system warnings. For more information, please consult your Owner's Guide.

Throttle Control/Transmission Lamp  The throttle control/transmission lamp illuminates when a powertrain fault has been detected. Contact your dealer as soon as possible.

Engine Coolant Lamp  The engine coolant lamp illuminates when the engine coolant is low. Stop the vehicle as soon as safely possible and let the engine cool.



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This Quick Reference Guide is not intended to replace your Owner's Guide which contains more detailed information concerning the features of your vehicle, as well as important safety warnings designed to help reduce the risk of injury to you and your occupants. Please read your entire Owner's Guide carefully as you begin learning about your new vehicle and refer to the appropriate sections when questions arise.

All information contained in this Quick Reference Guide was accurate at the time of duplication. We reserve the right to change features, operation and/or functionality of any vehicle specification at any time. Your Mercury dealer is the best source for the most current information.

For detailed operating and safety information, please consult your Owner's Guide.



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Essential Information

Location of Spare Tire and Tools Your vehicle is equipped with a temporary spare tire which is smaller than a regular tire and designed for emergency use only. The jack, spare tire, jack handle and lug nut wrench are under the cargo cover in the trunk of the vehicle.

Fuses If your electrical components aren't working properly, a fuse may have blown. For more information, please consult your Owner's Guide.

Fuel Pump Shut-off Switch This device stops the electric fuel pump from sending fuel to the engine when your vehicle has had a substantial jolt. After an accident, if the engine cranks but does not start, this switch may have been activated. The fuel pump shut-off switch is located in the front passenger footwell area in the right upper corner.

Unleaded Fuel Recommendations For optimum performance use "Regular" unleaded fuel with a pump (R+M)/2 octane rating of at least 87. We do not recommend the use of gasolines labeled as "Regular" with octane ratings of 86 or lower that are sold in high altitude areas.

Tire Pressure Safe operation of your Montego requires that your tires be properly inflated. The Mercury recommended inflation pressure is found on the Tire Label or the Certification Label located near the front door latch on the driver's side. At least once a month and before long trips, inspect each tire and check the air pressure with a tire gauge. Don't forget the spare. Air pressure should be checked when the tires are cold. Inflate all tires to the inflation pressure recommended by Ford Motor Company.

Rear Window Buffeting When one or both of your rear windows are fully open, you may experience a wind throb or buffeting noise. This is common among all vehicles and can be eliminated simply by lowering a front window two to three inches.

Roadside Assistance In addition to your New Vehicle Limited Warranty, Mercury provides new vehicle owners with a complimentary roadside assistance program. This service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, for three years or 36,000 miles (60,000 km). It covers changing a flat tire, jump starts, limited fuel delivery, lock-out assistance and towing of your vehicle.

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Additional Features

Memory Feature (if equipped) This feature will allow you to set two positions for the driver's seat, power mirrors, and adjustable pedals (if equipped). Set the position by pressing the SET button (indicator will illuminate), then press the 1 or 2 button to set the position to either Driver 1 or Driver 2. This memory setting can then be recalled when you press the 1 or 2 button, enter Customer Code 1 or 2 on the keypad, or when you press unlock on the remote entry system (one of your remote transmitters is associated with Driver 1 and the other transmitter is associated with Driver 2).



Universal Garage Door Opener (if equipped) The universal garage door opener on the driver's visor provides a convenient way to replace up to three handheld transmitters with a single device. This feature will operate most garage doors, entry gate operators, security systems, and home or office lighting. For programming, please consult your Owner's Guide.



Power Mirrors To adjust your mirrors, rotate the control clockwise to adjust the right mirror and counterclockwise to adjust the left mirror. Move the control in the direction you wish to tilt the mirror. Then rotate the control to the center position to lock the mirrors in place.



Keyless Entry Pad (if equipped) The keyless entry keypad can be used to lock or unlock the doors without using a key. It can also control the memory seat, power mirrors, and adjustable pedals features (if equipped). For more information, please consult your Owner's Guide.

Autolock Your vehicle is equipped with an autolock feature. The autolock feature will automatically lock all doors when your vehicle is in motion and meets a set of conditions, as described in your Owner's Guide. Your vehicle comes with this feature enabled. You can enable or disable this feature by following the activation or deactivation procedure outlined in your Owner's Guide.

Adjustable Pedals (if equipped): The accelerator and brake pedal should only be adjusted when the vehicle is stopped and the gearshift is in the P (Park) position. Press the top of the control to adjust the pedals away from you or press the bottom of the control to adjust the pedals toward you.

Reverse Sensing System (if equipped) The Reverse Sensing System (RSS) sounds a tone to warn the driver of obstacles near the rear bumper when R (Reverse) is selected and the vehicle is moving at speeds less than 3 mph (5 km/h). The system is not effective at speeds above 3 mph (5 km/h) and may not detect certain angular or moving objects. The RSS detects obstacles up to 6 feet (2meters) from the rear bumper with a decrease coverage area at the outer corners of the bumper. When the obstacle is less than 10 inches away, the tone will sound continuously.

Family Entertainment System (FES) (if equipped) Your vehicle may be equipped with a Family Entertainment System (FES). Refer to the *Family Entertainment System Supplement Guide* for further information on the operation of your system.



Premium/Audiophile In-Dash 6-CD/MP3 Sound System (if equipped)

one | Tune/Disc Selector Press to go up or down the radio frequency or to select a desired disc. Also use in menu mode to select various settings.

two | Load Press to begin the CD load sequence. Press and hold to autoloading up to 6 CDs.

three | CD Press to enter CD mode. If a CD is already loaded into the system, the CD will begin playing where it last ended.

four | On/Off/Volume Control Push to turn the system ON or OFF. Turn to increase or decrease volume. If the volume is set above a certain level and the ignition is turned off, the volume will come back on at a "nominal" level when the ignition switch is turned back on.

five | AM / FM Press to select AM or FM frequency bands.

six | Seek Function Press to access the next/previous strong station or track.

seven | Scan Function Press for a brief sampling of radio stations or CD tracks. Press again to stop.

eight | CD Rewind Press to manually reverse in a CD track.

nine | CD Fast Forward Press to manually advance in a CD track.

ten | Setting Memory Preset To set a station: Press AM/FM to select frequency band, tune to a station, then press and hold a preset button until the sound returns.

Bass / Treble Press MENU until bass or treble settings are displayed; adjust using the SEEK control.

Balance / Fade Press MENU until Balance is displayed; press to adjust the audio between the left and right speakers using the SEEK control. Press MENU again to display Fade. Press SEEK to adjust audio between the front and rear speakers.

Setting the Clock Press MENU until SELECT HOUR or SELECT MINS is displayed. Press the up/down arrows or SEEK control to adjust the hours/minutes. Press MENU again to disengage clock mode.

MP3 Track/Folder Mode In Track mode, pressing SEEK will scroll through all tracks on the disc. In Folder mode, pressing SEEK will scroll only through tracks within a selected folder.



Climate Control

Driver and Passenger Side Temperature
Set desired cabin temperature with the 1 or 4 red and blue buttons. Press 1 for driver's side, 4 for passenger's side. Recommended setting is 72°F (22°C) to 75°F (24°C).

Dual Control (if equipped)
Press 10 DUAL to engage/disengage separate passenger side temperature control.

Automatic Operation
Set desired 1 cabin temperature. Press 2 AUTO button for full automatic operation. The system will automatically adjust airflow temperature, fan speed, airflow direction, A/C, and recirculated air based on the selected temperature to heat or cool the vehicle to the desired temperature as soon as possible.

Max A/C Operation
Automatic operation: Press 2 AUTO button for full automatic operation. Do not override A/C or recirculated air. Set the desired temperature. Override Operation: Select 7 air distribution. Select 8 A/C and 9 recirculated air. Use recirculated air with A/C to provide colder airflow. Set temperature setting to 60°F (15.5°C). Initially set to highest fan speed 5, then adjust to maintain comfort.

Manual Override Operation: Press 1 to set desired cabin temperature. Adjust any of the following for personal comfort preferences: 5 fan speed, 7 airflow direction, 8 A/C, and 9 recirculated air. Fan speed, A/C, and recirculated air overrides will not turn off the AUTO indicator light. Airflow direction overrides will turn off the AUTO indicator light.

One Button Airflow Direction Control (if equipped)
Press 7 repeatedly to select airflow direction.

Defogging / Demisting
Press 3 to distribute outside air through the windshield defroster vents and demister vents. To reduce humidity buildup in the vehicle, do not drive with the Climate Control turned off. Also, do not drive with recirculated air selected unless A/C is operating.

Heated Seats (if equipped)
Press 6 to cycle through available settings of high heat (2 lights), low heat (1 light), and off (no lights).

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