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Cord Model 810-812 Owner's Manual Reprint (1936-1937)

A faithful reproduction of the original owner's manual for the classic Cord 810 and 812 automobiles.

INTRODUCTION TO YOUR REPRINT MANUAL

This document is a high-quality reprint of the original owner's manual issued for the 1936 and 1937 Cord Model 810 and 812 vehicles. It serves as an invaluable historical reference and a practical guide for enthusiasts, restorers, and owners of these iconic automobiles. The content within this reprint is identical to the original publication, preserving the authentic information and instructions provided by the manufacturer at the time of the vehicle's production.

Please note that this manual reflects the technology, practices, and terminology of its era. While the information is accurate to the original, modern automotive standards and safety practices may differ. Always consult with qualified professionals for contemporary vehicle maintenance and repair.

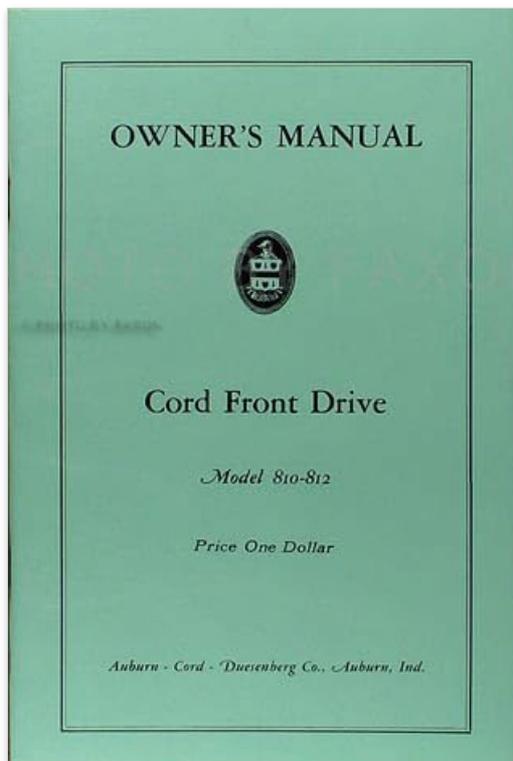


Image: Front cover of the reprinted 1936-1937 Cord Model 810-812 Owner's Manual. The cover features the Cord logo and vehicle model information, indicating its purpose as an official guide for the classic automobile.

UNDERSTANDING THE MANUAL'S STRUCTURE

The original manual, faithfully reproduced here, is typically organized into sections covering various aspects of the Cord 810 and 812. These sections are designed to provide comprehensive guidance to the vehicle owner.

SETUP AND INITIAL FAMILIARIZATION

This section of the original manual would have guided new owners through the initial setup and familiarization with their Cord vehicle. It typically included:

- **Controls and Instruments:** Identification and function of dashboard gauges, switches, and levers.
- **Pre-Operation Checks:** Recommended inspections before starting the vehicle.
- **Basic Adjustments:** Instructions for seat positioning, mirror adjustments, and other driver-specific settings.

For this reprint, "setup" refers to understanding the historical context and layout of the original document to effectively locate information.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

The operating section of the original manual detailed the proper procedures for driving the Cord 810 and 812. Key topics would have included:

- **Starting the Engine:** Procedures for cold and warm starts.
- **Transmission Operation:** Guidance on using the pre-selector gearshift mechanism.
- **Driving Techniques:** Recommendations for optimal performance and safety.
- **Braking System:** Information on the hydraulic braking system.
- **Fuel and Lubrication:** Specifications for recommended fuels and oils.

MAINTENANCE AND CARE

This critical section provided instructions for routine maintenance to ensure the longevity and reliability of the vehicle. It typically covered:

- **Lubrication Schedule:** Points requiring regular greasing and oil changes.
- **Fluid Checks:** Levels for engine oil, coolant, and brake fluid.
- **Tire Care:** Recommended pressures and rotation schedules.
- **Electrical System:** Basic checks for battery and lighting.
- **Cleaning and Preservation:** Tips for maintaining the vehicle's appearance.

TROUBLESHOOTING COMMON ISSUES

The original manual included a section to assist owners in diagnosing and resolving minor operational problems. This would have included:

- **Engine Starting Problems:** Checks for fuel, ignition, and battery.
- **Overheating:** Causes and remedies for engine temperature issues.
- **Brake Malfunctions:** Basic checks for brake performance.
- **Electrical Faults:** Simple solutions for lighting or accessory failures.

For complex issues, the manual would have advised seeking professional service, a recommendation that remains pertinent

today.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

A dedicated section in the original manual provided detailed technical specifications for the Cord 810 and 812. This typically included:

- **Engine Details:** Displacement, horsepower, and cylinder configuration.
- **Dimensions:** Wheelbase, length, width, and height.
- **Capacities:** Fuel tank, oil sump, and cooling system volumes.
- **Tire Sizes:** Recommended tire dimensions and types.
- **Electrical System:** Battery voltage and generator output.

These specifications are crucial for accurate restoration and maintenance of the vehicle.

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT INFORMATION

As this document is a reprint of an owner's manual for a vintage vehicle, the original warranty and support information provided by the Cord Automobile Company is no longer applicable. The original manufacturer ceased operations many decades ago. For support regarding this specific reprint manual, please refer to the publisher or vendor from whom it was acquired. Any inquiries about the historical content or the Cord vehicles themselves should be directed to classic car clubs, historical societies, or automotive restoration specialists.



This manual is a historical reproduction and should be used in conjunction with modern safety practices and professional advice for vehicle maintenance.