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2022 Ford Explorer Owners Manual

Your comprehensive guide to operating and maintaining your vehicle.

INTRODUCTION

This manual contains important information regarding the operation, maintenance, and safety of your 2022 Ford Explorer. Please read it thoroughly to familiarize yourself with your vehicle's features and capabilities. Understanding this information will help ensure a safe and enjoyable driving experience, and assist in maintaining your vehicle's optimal performance and longevity.

Keep this manual in your vehicle for quick reference. If you sell your vehicle, please leave the manual for the new owner.

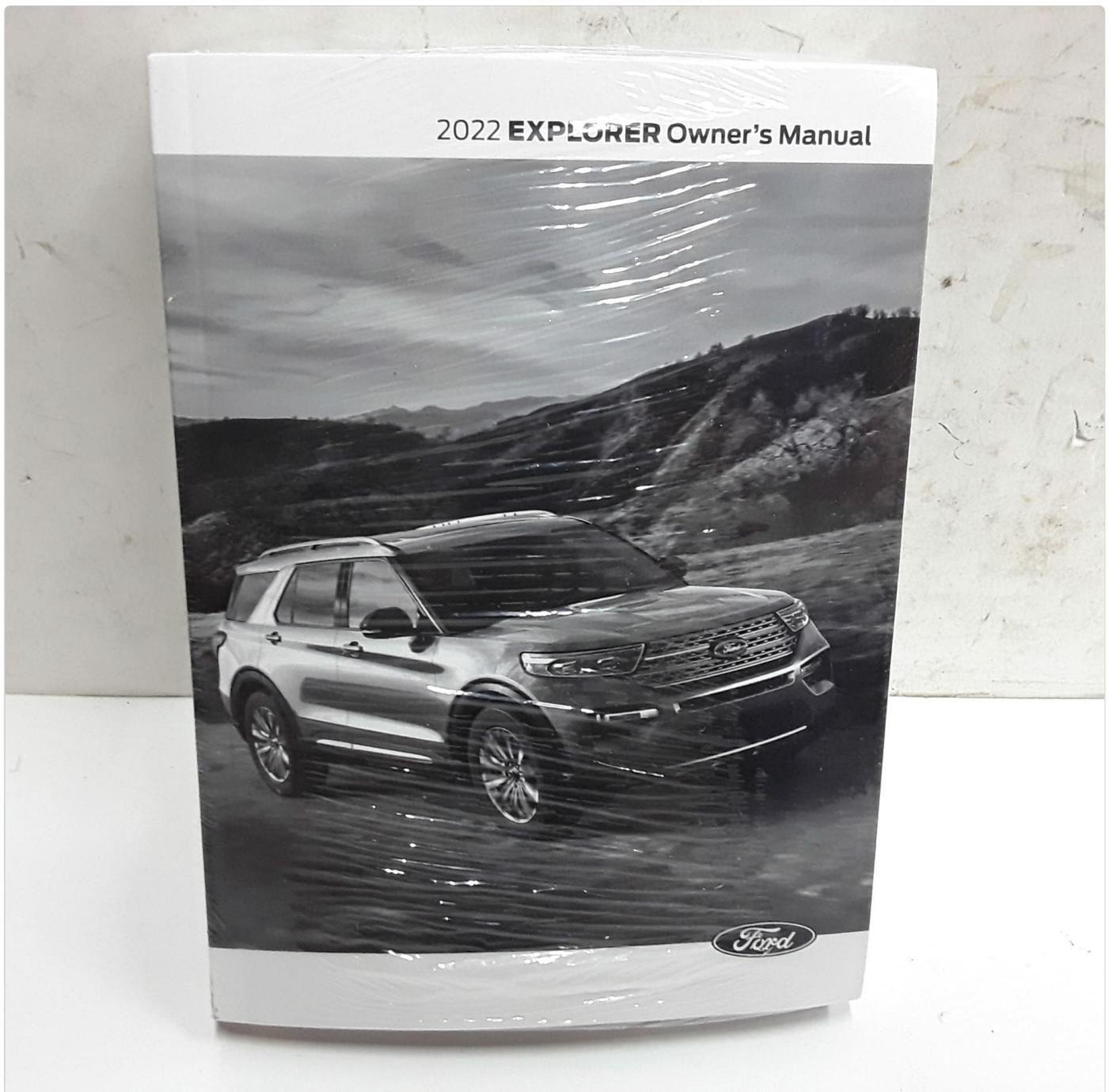


Image: Front cover of the 2022 Ford Explorer Owners Manual. This image displays the official manual cover, featuring a blue Ford Explorer SUV on a scenic road, indicating the subject of this guide.

INITIAL SETUP AND FAMILIARIZATION

Before driving your new Ford Explorer, take time to familiarize yourself with its controls and features. This section guides you through the initial setup process.

Key Fob and Door Locks

- **Unlocking/Locking:** Press the unlock or lock button on your key fob. The vehicle's lights will flash to confirm.
- **Remote Start:** Press the lock button once, then press the remote start button twice within three seconds.
- **Keyless Entry Keypad:** Use the five-digit code on the driver's side door frame to unlock the vehicle without the key fob.

Seat and Steering Wheel Adjustment

- **Power Seats:** Use the controls on the side of the seat to adjust position, lumbar support, and recline.

- **Steering Wheel:** Adjust the steering wheel for height and reach using the lever located on the steering column. Ensure a comfortable and safe driving position.

Instrument Panel Overview

Review the instrument panel to understand the location of gauges, warning lights, and information displays. Consult the detailed diagrams in the full manual for specific component identification.

OPERATING YOUR VEHICLE

This section covers the essential steps for starting, driving, and parking your 2022 Ford Explorer, along with an overview of key driving features.

Starting and Stopping the Engine

- **Push-Button Start:** With the key fob inside the vehicle, press the brake pedal and then press the ENGINE START/STOP button.
- **Stopping:** Shift the transmission to PARK (P), then press the ENGINE START/STOP button.

Transmission Operation

Your Explorer is equipped with a rotary gear shift dial. Rotate the dial to select PARK (P), REVERSE (R), NEUTRAL (N), or DRIVE (D). For manual gear selection, use the paddle shifters if equipped.

Driving Modes (Terrain Management System)

The Terrain Management System allows you to optimize vehicle performance for various driving conditions. Rotate the dial on the center console to select modes such as Normal, Eco, Sport, Tow/Haul, Slippery, Trail, and Deep Snow/Sand.

Parking Brake

The electronic parking brake is activated by pulling up the switch located on the center console. To release, press the brake pedal and push the switch down.

MAINTENANCE AND CARE

Regular maintenance is crucial for the longevity and safe operation of your 2022 Ford Explorer. Adhere to the recommended service schedule.

Scheduled Maintenance

- **Oil Changes:** Follow the Intelligent Oil-Life Monitor system or change every 7,500–10,000 miles (12,000–16,000 km) or 6–12 months, whichever comes first.
- **Tire Rotation:** Rotate tires every 7,500 miles (12,000 km) to ensure even wear.
- **Fluid Checks:** Regularly check engine oil, coolant, brake fluid, and windshield washer fluid levels.
- **Filter Replacement:** Replace engine air filter and cabin air filter as per the maintenance schedule.

Tire Care

Maintain correct tire pressure as specified on the tire placard located on the driver's side door jamb. Inspect tires regularly for wear and damage.

Battery Maintenance

Keep battery terminals clean and free of corrosion. If the vehicle is stored for an extended period, consider using a battery tender.

TROUBLESHOOTING COMMON ISSUES

This section addresses common issues you might encounter with your 2022 Ford Explorer and provides basic troubleshooting steps.

Engine Will Not Start

- **Battery:** Check for a discharged or faulty battery. Ensure terminals are clean and tight.
- **Key Fob:** Ensure the key fob is inside the vehicle and has a charged battery. Try placing the key fob in the backup slot (refer to the full manual for location).
- **Fuel:** Verify there is sufficient fuel in the tank.

Warning Lights Illuminated

- **Check Engine Light:** This indicates an emission control system malfunction. Have the vehicle inspected by a qualified technician.
- **Oil Pressure Light:** Stop the vehicle immediately and check the engine oil level. Do not drive with this light on.
- **Brake System Warning Light:** This could indicate low brake fluid or a brake system malfunction. Have the vehicle inspected immediately.

Tire Pressure Monitoring System (TPMS) Light

If the TPMS light illuminates, check all tire pressures and inflate them to the recommended levels. If the light flashes, there may be a system malfunction requiring service.

SPECIFICATIONS

Key specifications for the 2022 Ford Explorer are provided below. For a complete list, refer to the detailed specifications section in the full owners manual.

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WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For detailed information regarding your vehicle's warranty coverage, please refer to the separate Warranty Guide provided with your vehicle. This guide outlines the terms, conditions, and duration of your vehicle's limited warranties.

For technical assistance, service appointments, or further inquiries, please contact your authorized Ford dealership. They are equipped with trained technicians and genuine Ford parts to provide the best service for your vehicle. You can also visit the official Ford website for additional resources, owner support, and the latest information regarding your 2022 Ford Explorer.

