Information for First & Second Responders
Emergency Response Guide For Vehicle:

2018–22 Honda Accord Hybrid
4-Door Sedan Hybrid Electric Vehicle

Version 1
This guide has been prepared to assist emergency response professionals in identifying a 2018–22 Honda Accord Hybrid vehicle and safely respond to incidents involving this vehicle.

Copies of this guide and other emergency response guides are available for reference or downloading at https://techinfo.honda.com.

For questions, please contact your local Honda dealer or Honda Automobile Customer Service at (800) 999-1009.

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The Honda Accord Hybrid can be identified by the ACCORD emblem mounted on the trunk, and the HYBRID emblems mounted on the trunk and the front fenders.

The Accord Hybrid can also be identified by the orange cables throughout the engine compartment and under the vehicle.
The Honda Accord Hybrid can also be identified by inspecting the VIN at the three locations shown below.

The characters 4 thru 6 of the VIN will show RT6 indicating that it is a Honda Accord Hybrid.

1HGCV3*****000001

VIN plate located on the lower-right corner of the front windshield

Stamped into the floor panel in front of the passenger’s side seat under a plastic panel marked FRAME NUMBER

Printed on the VIN label on the driver’s side doorjamb
1. Identification / Recognition

Warning Labels

**NOTICE**
If this vehicle is not driven for 3 months or longer, the high-voltage Lithium-ion battery can be permanently damaged due to prolonged low state of charge. To maintain an adequate charge level, drive the vehicle for more than 30 minutes at least once every 3 months.

**LITHIUM-ION BATTERY DISPOSAL INFORMATION**
A large high-voltage Lithium-ion battery located under the rear seat. The high-voltage Lithium-ion battery requires a special disposal process. Contact American Honda at 1-800-555-3497 for handling and disposal information.

**WARNING**
HIGH VOLTAGE
You can be killed or hurt. Do not disconnect, open, or take apart.

**DANGER**
NEVER OPEN WHEN HOT. Hot coolant will scald you. N'ouvrez Pas Quand Chaude. Nicht Beheizen Motor Öffen. 高温時、清か打开

**WARNING**
Under intake air resonator

**WARNING**
**CAUTION**
SYSTEM CONTAINS REFRIGERANT R-1234yf UNDER HIGH PRESSURE, TO BE SERVICED ONLY BY QUALIFIED PERSONNEL. Follow instructions in the service manual.

**AIR CONDITIONER SYSTEM**
REFRIGERANT: R-1234yf (SAE J303-G7B-HS45)
REC. CHARGE: MAX 0.445kg MIN 0.395kg
OIL TYPE: ND-OIL11 (FOE)

**WARNING**
Do not touch bare metal or white clip.

**WARNING**
Metal rod gets hot and can burn hand.

**WARNING**
Always lift rod using foam area.

**GRAB FOAM**

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When you remove and attach the PCU
When you remove and attach the PCU, conduct maintenance according to the service manual.

*Under intake air resonator*
1. Identification / Recognition

Warning Labels (continued)

**LITHIUM-ION BATTERY DISPOSAL INFORMATION**
This 259V high voltage battery requires special handling and disposal process. Contact for instructions, in USA: American Honda 1-800-555-3497 in Canada: Honda Canada 1-800-946-6329

**MISE AU REBUT DES BATTERIES LITHIUM-ION**
La manutention et la mise au rebut de la batterie haute tension de 259V nécessitent un processus spécial. Veuillez contacter pour le processus, dans USA: American Honda au 1-800-555-3497 dans Canada: Honda Canada au 1-800-946-6329

**DANGER**
**PELIGRO**
**DANGER**

**IMPACT**
Strong impact (e.g. dropping the battery, collision damage) may cause electrolyte leaks, internal short circuits and heat increase resulting in fire. Avoid impact to the battery.

**FLAMMABLE LIQUID and VAPOR**
Battery damage may cause flammable gas or electrolyte leaks and may result in fire. Do not damage the battery and keep sealed. Film and fumes away.

**CHEMICAL HAZARD - CORROSIVE**
Organic electrolyte may cause severe burns to skin and eyes. Wear personal protective equipment.

**POISON**
Organic electrolyte is poisonous. Referenced, get medical attention immediately.

**KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN**

**SHIELD EYES**
**NO FIRE**
**NO INJURY**
**EVAHER INJURY**

**CORROSIVE ORGANIC ELECTROLYTE**
**ELECTROLYT ORGANICO CORROSIVO**
**ELECTROLYT ORGANIQUE CORROSIF**

**GET MEDICAL HELP FAST**
**ORIENT ASIAC MEDICAL AIDE**

**Li-ion**

**DANGER**
**PELIGRO**
**DANGER**

**HIGH VOLTAGE**
You will be killed or hurt. Before servicing:
- Switch vehicle power mode to off and remove high-voltage battery service plug.
- Wear insulated gloves and use insulated tools.
- Check voltage at high-voltage battery box terminals.
- Follow all service manual instructions.

**ALTA TENSION**
Peligro de accidente o muerte. Antes de manipular:
- Compruebe el interruptor de encendido del vehículo a OFF y retire el conector de servicio de la batería de alta tensión.
- Utilice guantes y herramientas aislantes.
- Compruebe el voltaje en las terminales de la caja de la batería de alta tensión.
- Siga todas las instrucciones del manual de servicio.

**HAUTE TENSION**
DANGER de mort ou de blessures. Avant le service:
- Mettez le mode d'alimentation du véhicule à OFF, puis retirer le capuchon de la prise de service de la batterie haute tension.
- Portez des gants isolants et utiliser des outils isolés.
- Vérifiez la tension aux bornes du boîtier de la batterie haute tension.
- Suivez toutes les instructions du manuel d'atelier.
High-Voltage Battery - Location

The high-voltage battery is located under the rear seats.
## 2. Immobilization / Stabilization / Lifting

### How to Determine if Vehicle is in ON / OFF Mode.

Check the POWER button and the gauges for the vehicle status.

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<tr>
<th>Vehicle is OFF</th>
<th>Vehicle is Ready to Drive</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>The power to all electrical components is turned off.</strong></td>
<td>The READY indicator is ON and Ready To Drive is shown on the MID.</td>
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<tr>
<td>• The POWER button and the green indicator are OFF.</td>
<td>• The POWER button is ON.</td>
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<tr>
<td>• Pressing the POWER button once will change to the Accessory mode.</td>
<td>• Depending on the high-voltage battery state of charge, the EV indicator or the Engine may be ON.</td>
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<tr>
<th>Vehicle is in Accessory</th>
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<td><strong>You can operate the audio system and other accessories in this position.</strong></td>
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<td>• The POWER button is blinking and the green indicator is ON.</td>
<td>• Press the POWER button once to turn off the vehicle.</td>
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<td>• Press the POWER button twice to turn off the vehicle.</td>
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<tr>
<td>• Pressing the POWER button once will change to the ON mode.</td>
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<th>Vehicle is ON</th>
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<td><strong>The Engine is OFF but all electrical components can be used.</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>• The POWER button and the green indicator are ON.</td>
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<tr>
<td>• Press the POWER button once to turn off the vehicle.</td>
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<tr>
<td>• While pressing the brake pedal, pressing the POWER button once will turn on the READY indicator and Ready To Drive will be shown in the Multi-Information Display (MID).</td>
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Parking the Vehicle

NOTE:
• The following features will only operate if the vehicle’s 12-volt battery power is available.
• If the 12-volt power IS NOT available, use available wheel chocks.

1. Press the POWER button to turn the vehicle ON.

2. Press the P on the Electronic Gear Selector to shift the transmission to Park, or N to shift the transmission to Neutral.

3. Push the POWER button to turn the vehicle OFF.

4. If necessary, pull up the Electric Parking Brake switch to apply the parking brake.

Applying the Electric Parking Brake
The electric parking brake can be applied any time the vehicle has 12-volt battery power no matter what state the power mode is in.

- Pull up the Electric Parking Brake switch gently and securely.
- The parking brake and Brake System indicator come on.

Releasing the Electric Parking Brake
The power mode must be turned to ON to release the electric parking brake.

1. Press the and hold the brake pedal.
2. Press the Electric Parking Brake switch.

- The parking brake and Brake System indicator go off.
2. Immobilization / Stabilization / Lifting

Lifting the Vehicle

Use the indicated lifting points to raise the vehicle.

**Lifting Points (Front Only, If Necessary)**

- **FRONT TOW HOOK**
- **FRONT LIFT POINT**

If the front lifting point is not accessible, use the front tow hook.

**Recommended Lifting Points**
Preventing Current Flow Through High-Voltage Cables

Before attempting to rescue occupants or move a damaged Honda Accord Hybrid, you should reduce the potential for current to flow from the electric motor or the high-voltage battery through the high-voltage cables.

There are two recommended methods for preventing current flow. These are discussed in the following pages.

**PREFERRED METHOD for High-Voltage Shutdown**

Push and hold the POWER button for 3 seconds.

This simple action turns off the vehicle and immediately shuts down the high-voltage system controllers, thereby preventing current flow into the cables. It also cuts power to the airbags and the front seat belt tensioners, though these pyrotechnic devices have up to a 3-minute deactivation time.

To prevent accidental restarting, you must remove the keyless remote from the vehicle and move it at least 20 feet away.

If you cannot locate the keyless remote, disconnect the negative terminal from the 12-volt battery to prevent electrical fires and accidental restarting of the vehicle.

**HIGH-VOLTAGE SHUTDOWN PROCEDURE (PREFERRED)**
**ALTERNATIVE BEST METHOD for High-Voltage Shutdown**

Locate and cut the negative 12-volt battery cable and the power control unit (PCU) cable in the engine compartment.

Together, cutting the negative 12-volt battery cable and the PCU cable immediately turns off and shuts down the high-voltage system controllers and the engine, thereby preventing current flow into the high-voltage cables.

1. Pull the hood release handle under the driver’s side lower corner of the dashboard. The hood will pop up slightly.

2. Push the hood latch lever (located under the front edge of the hood to the center) to the side, and raise the hood. Once you have raised the hood slightly, you can release the lever.

3. Remove the support rod from the clamp using the grip. Mount the support rod in the hood.

If you need to cut the hood to open it, be sure to stay within the cut zone as shown.
4. Locate the two cut point labels as shown, and cut them.

*If touching high-voltage cables and other high-voltage components is unavoidable, personal protective equipment (insulating gloves, goggles, and boots) should always be worn.*

This also cuts power to the airbags and the front seat belt tensioners, but remember these pyrotechnic devices have up to a 3-minute deactivation time.

NOTE: When cutting the cables, do not allow the cutting tool to contact any surrounding metal parts; electrical arcing could occur, igniting any flammable vapors.

If you cannot do either method to stop the engine and prevent current flow into the high-voltage cables, use extreme care and do not touch damaged cables as they may be electrically charged.
High-Strength and Ultra-High-Strength Steel

The body of the Honda Accord Hybrid is made of high-strength steel and ultra-high-strength steel indicated in the colored areas.

**Ultra High-Strength Steel (UHSS)**
- 1500 Mpa
- 980 Mpa

**High-Strength Steel (HSS)**
- 780 Mpa
- 590 Mpa
- 440 Mpa
- 270 Mpa
**High-Strength and Ultra-High-Strength Steel**

The body of the Honda Accord Hybrid is made of high-strength steel and ultra-high-strength steel indicated in the colored areas.

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<td>1500 Mpa</td>
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<td>980 Mpa</td>
<td>270 Mpa</td>
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<td>780 Mpa</td>
<td>590 Mpa</td>
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Exterior Body Parts

Except for the aluminum hood, the exterior body parts are made of high-strength steel and ultra-high-strength steel indicated in the colored areas.
Extricating Occupants

If you need to cut the hood to open it, be sure to stay within the cut zone as shown.

When cutting the vehicle body, personal protective equipment (insulating gloves, goggles, and boots) should always be worn.

If you need to cut the vehicle body or use Jaws-of-Life equipment to remove occupants, be sure to stay within the cut zone as shown.
4. Access to Occupants

Moving the Seats, Head Restraints & Steering Wheel

**With Power Seats**

- **Horizontal Position Adjustment**
- **Height Adjustment** (Driver’s seat only)
- **Seat-back Angle Adjustment**

**With Manual Seats**

- **Horizontal Position Adjustment**
- **Height Adjustment** (Driver’s seat only)
- **Seat-back Angle Adjustment**

**To raise the head restraint**: Pull upward.

**To lower the head restraint**: Push down while pressing the release button.

**To adjust the steering wheel position**:

1. **Pull the steering wheel adjustment lever up**.
   The steering wheel adjustment lever is under the steering column.

2. **Move the steering wheel up or down, and in or out**.

3. **Push the steering wheel adjustment lever down to lock the steering wheel in position**.
## 5. Stored Energy / Liquids / Gases / Solids

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<th>Type</th>
<th>Capacity</th>
<th>Content</th>
<th>Dangers</th>
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<td>12-Volt Battery</td>
<td>12 V—47 Ah/20 HR (12 V—38 Ah/5 HR)</td>
<td>▪ Lead 34%</td>
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<td></td>
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<td>▪ Lead Peroxide 31%</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="Warning" /></td>
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<td>▪ Lead Sulfate 1%</td>
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<td>▪ Sulfuric Acid (35%) 34%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Lithium-Ion, High-Voltage Battery</td>
<td>259.2 V 72 cells (3.6 V) (36 cells × 2 modules)</td>
<td>▪ Lithium Metal Oxide 15-25%</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="Flame" />  <img src="image" alt="Warning" /></td>
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<td>▪ Aluminum 20-30%</td>
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<td>▪ Graphite 5-15%</td>
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<td>▪ Copper 15-25%</td>
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<td>▪ Organic electrolyte 15-25%</td>
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<td>(Maximum volume: 50cc)</td>
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<td>Engine Oil</td>
<td>4.8 US qt (4.5 L)</td>
<td>Distillates, petroleum, hydrotreated heavy paraffinic.</td>
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<td>Gasoline Tank</td>
<td>12.81 US gal (48.5 L)</td>
<td>▪ Gasoline 88-100%</td>
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<td>▪ Ethanol Less than 10%</td>
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<td>▪ Toluene Less than 10%</td>
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<td>▪ 1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene Less than 5%</td>
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<td>▪ Benzene Less than 5%</td>
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<td>▪ N-Hexane Less than 3%</td>
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<td>Engine Coolant</td>
<td>1.93 US gal (7.3 L)</td>
<td>▪ Ethylene Glycol 43 - 49 %</td>
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<td>▪ Diethylene Glycol Less than 3%</td>
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<td>▪ Hydrated inorganic acid, organic acid salts Less than 5%</td>
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<td>▪ Water 45 - 55 %</td>
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<td>High-Voltage Battery Coolant</td>
<td>0.378 US gal (1.43 L)</td>
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<td>Transmission Fluid</td>
<td>3.54 US qt (3.35 L)</td>
<td>• Lubricating base stocks 80-90%</td>
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<td>• 2,6 Di-tert-butyl-p-cresol &lt;0.1 to 1.0%</td>
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<td>Not provided on SDS</td>
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<td>Brake Fluid</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>• Diethylene Glycol Less than 10%</td>
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<td>• Mixture of glycol ether, glycol derivative,</td>
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<td>glycol ether borate ester (except diethylene</td>
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<td>glycol) 89 - 99 % None</td>
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<td>Air Conditioning Refrigerant</td>
<td>HFO-1234yf 13.9 – 15.7 oz (395 – 445 g)</td>
<td>• Tetrafluoroprop-1-ene 100%</td>
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<td>Windshield Washer Fluid</td>
<td>2.6 US qt (2.5 L)</td>
<td>Concentrate</td>
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<td>• Methyl Alcohol (methanol) more than 99%</td>
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<td>• Sodium carbonate (2:1) 40 to 55%</td>
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<td>• Citric acid 20 to 40%</td>
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<td>• Ethoxylated fatty alcohols 0.1 to 3%</td>
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<td>• Alkoxylated alcohols 0.1 to 2%</td>
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6. In Case of Fire

Fire Extinguishing Methods

In case of vehicle high-voltage battery fire, the fire should be extinguished using the following procedure where possible.

*If touching high-voltage cables and other high-voltage components is unavoidable, personal protective equipment (insulating gloves, goggles, and boots) should always be worn.*

1. Extinguish the fire using a large volume of water such as from a fire hydrant, well water, or pond water. If water is not available, an ABC powder fire extinguisher may be used as an alternative.

2. If it is safe to do so, open the passenger’s side rear door and direct water from the right side into the high-voltage battery vent under the rear seat cushion.

3. Continue extinguishing until a complete suppression of fire and smoke is observed from the battery.

4. Once signs of active fire have completely subsided (e.g. no visible smoking), a thermal camera should be used to evaluate and monitor the temperature of the battery unit.

   NOTE: The battery temperature should continue to be monitored. If the battery temperature begins to increase, a possibility for reignition exists and additional water or a fire extinguisher should be used to mitigate reignition.

**WARNING:**
- Do NOT attempt to open the battery cover at this time.
- Never use seawater or any water containing salt.
- Always assume the high voltage battery contains stranded energy and a possibility for reignition exists.

See Section 8 (Towing/Transportation/Storage) for additional procedures including discharging the high voltage battery.
Submerged Vehicle

If a Honda Accord Hybrid is submerged or partly submerged in water, first pull the vehicle out of the water, then shut down the high-voltage system. See Section 3 (Disable Direct Hazards / Safety Regulations for the high-voltage shutdown procedures).

If touching high-voltage cables and other high-voltage components is unavoidable, personal protective equipment (insulating gloves, goggles, and boots) should always be worn.

Aside from severe damage to the vehicle, there is no risk of an electric shock from touching the vehicle’s body or framework - in or out of the water. If the high-voltage battery was submerged, you may hear noises from the battery as the cells are being discharged from shorting.

See Section 8 (Towing/Transportation/Storage) for additional procedures including discharging the high voltage battery.
Shifting the Vehicle into Neutral

NOTE:
- The following features will only operate if the vehicle’s 12-volt battery power is available.
- If the 12-volt power IS NOT available, use available wheel chocks or dollies.
- See Section 2 (Immobilization/Stabilization/Lifting) for additional procedures including parking the vehicle.

1. Press the POWER button to turn the vehicle ON.
2. Press and hold the brake pedal.
3. Press the N on the Electronic Gear Selector to shift the transmission to Neutral. The message, Neutral Hold will appear on the gauge.
4. Press N again, and hold it for 2 seconds. The vehicle will enter neutral hold mode.
5. If necessary, press the Electronic Parking Brake button to release the parking brake.
6. Release the brake pedal and push the POWER button to turn the vehicle to ACCESSORY.

NOTE: Manually shifting to park cancels ACCESSORY mode. The P indicator comes on, and the power mode changes to OFF. Always shift the transmission to park when neutral hold is no longer necessary.
Emergency Towing

The preferred method for emergency towing is to use a flat-bed tow truck. If wheel lift equipment must be used, be sure to suspend the front wheels and release the parking brake. **DO NOT** use cable-type lift equipment.

NOTE: If there is a 12-volt power failure, the vehicle cannot be shifted into neutral. Use available wheel dollies.

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<th>Flat-Bed</th>
<th>Front Wheel Type</th>
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<tr>
<td>1. Secure the vehicle on the flat-bed tow truck.</td>
<td>1. Lift the front wheels.</td>
<td>Never tow this vehicle with cable-type equipment.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. Apply the parking brake.</td>
<td>2. Release the parking brake.</td>
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Be aware that when rolling a Honda Accord Hybrid with the front (drive) wheels on the ground, the electric motor can produce electricity and remains a potential source of electric shock even when the high-voltage system is turned off.

Carry a fire extinguisher during transportation and for enhanced safety, have the flat-bed tow truck with the damaged vehicle followed by another support vehicle for monitoring. After transportation, discharge the battery if necessary. See Battery Discharging in this section.

**WARNING**

If the orange high-voltage cables or high-voltage covers have been damaged, exposing wiring, terminals, or other components, the exposed parts should never be touched. Doing so could result in serious injury or death due to severe burns or electric shock.

If it is not clear whether the exposed wires and terminals are high-voltage components or not, do not touch them.

**If touching high-voltage cables and other high-voltage components is unavoidable, personal insulating protective equipment (insulating gloves, protective goggles, and insulating boots) should always be worn.**

**Acoustic Vehicle Alerting System**

The Honda Accord Hybrid is equipped with an acoustic vehicle alerting system that alerts pedestrians with an audible sound that it is approaching when the speed is about **14 mph** or less. When pushing the Honda Accord Hybrid with the ignition turned to you will hear this sound as the vehicle is being moved.
Lifting the Vehicle

Use the indicated lifting points to raise the vehicle.

Lifting Points (Front Only, If Necessary)

FRONT TOW HOOK

If the front lifting point is not accessible, use the front tow hook.
Securing the Vehicle

The recommended tie-down locations for securing the vehicle are indicated below.

- Four tie-down slots (covered by rubber plugs) - Two behind the front wheels and two in front of the rear wheels
- Front tow hook - In the front of the right-front tire

NOTE:
- Install the rubber plugs after use.
- This vehicle is not equipped with a rear towing hook. Do not use the rear bumper or the rear tie down slots as a towing hook. It will cause severe damage to the rear of the vehicle.
Curb Weight Rating

4,519 lb (2,050 kg)
Storing the Vehicle

The damaged vehicle can be stored in either Open Perimeter Isolation or Barrier Isolation.

Open Perimeter Isolation
Store the vehicle in an outdoor area separated from all combustibles and structures by a minimum distance of **50 feet (15.2 m)** from all sides.

Barrier Isolation
- Store the vehicle in an outdoor area separated from all combustibles and structures with a barrier constructed of earth, steel, concrete or solid masonry designed to contain a fire or prevent the fire from extending to adjacent vehicles.
- The barriers should be of sufficient height to direct any flame or heat away from adjacent vehicles.
- If the barrier is only on three of the four sides of the vehicle, the open side must maintain the separation distance referenced above.
- It is not recommended to fully enclose the vehicle in a structure due to the risk of post-incident fire extending to the structure and the possibility of trapped explosive or harmful gases. Therefore, a roof is not recommended for barrier isolation.
High-Voltage Battery Access

See Section 8 (Battery Discharging) for procedures including removing the rear seat and turning off the high-voltage service plug.

NOTE: In the event of an emergency, remove the seat cushion with extrication equipment as necessary.
Battery Discharging

If the high-voltage battery is severely damaged or burned, or the vehicle has been submerged, and water has entered and accumulated on the floor of passenger compartment, the battery must be discharged. Failure to discharge stored or stranded energy remaining in the battery may result in a fire or re-ignition due to a damaged or short circuit.

See Section 3 (Disable Direct Hazards / Safety Regulations) for procedures including disconnecting the 12-volt battery.

If touching high-voltage cables and other high-voltage components is unavoidable, personal protective equipment (insulating gloves, goggles, and boots) should always be worn.

1. Disconnect the 12-volt battery.
2. Fold down the rear seat-backs and remove the rear seat-back cover clip.
3. Remove the rear seat cushion bolt, then fold up the rear seat-backs.
4. While pushing down on the rear seat cushion, pull the seat hook handles to release the hooks. Disconnect the rear seat heater connectors (if equipped).

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Battery Discharging (continued)

5. Remove the rear seat cushion.

6. Remove the service plug cover 10 mm bolts, then remove the service plug cover.

7. Push and slide the tab on the service plug until you hear a click.

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Battery Discharging (continued)

8. Raise the lever and remove the service plug.

9. Set up a pool approximately **18 feet long x 9 feet wide x 3 feet high** in a well-ventilated outdoor area.

10. Use a forklift or similar equipment to place the vehicle in the center of the pool.

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11. Fill the easy set pool with water from a fire hydrant, well water, or pond water until the high voltage battery is completely submerged. If there is a risk of water leakage from the easy set pool, place a thick plastic sheet under the pool.

*Never use seawater or any water containing salt.*

12. Continue filling the easy set pool to a minimum depth of **2 feet (610 mm)** until the high voltage battery is completely submerged.

13. Maintain this water level for at least **3.5 days**. If the water level drops below the minimum specified level, add fresh water.

*Since the water used for discharging the battery is converted to an aqueous solution containing metals such as Phosphorus (P) and Lithium (Li), dispose of it properly as an industrial waste according to local regulations.*
Lithium-Ion Battery Fumes or Fire
A damaged high-voltage lithium-ion battery can emit toxic fumes, and the organic solvent used as electrolyte is flammable and corrosive. Responders should wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Even after a lithium-ion battery fire appears to have been extinguished, a renewed or delayed fire can occur. The battery manufacturer cautions responders that extinguishing a lithium-ion battery fire will take a large and sustained volume of water.

In order to minimize the possibility of collateral fire damage, responders should always ensure that a Honda Accord Hybrid with a damaged battery is kept outdoors and far away from other flammable objects.

Lithium-Ion Battery Fluid
Avoid contact with the high-voltage battery fluid. The high-voltage battery contains a flammable electrolyte that could leak as a result of a severe crash. Avoid any skin or eye contact with the electrolyte as it is corrosive. If you accidentally touch it, flush your eyes or skin with a large quantity of water for at least 5 minutes and seek medical attention immediately.

Electric Shock
Unprotected contact with any electrically charged high-voltage component can cause serious injury or death. Receiving an electric shock from a Honda Accord Hybrid, however, is highly unlikely because of the following:

• Contact with the battery module or other high-voltage components can only occur if they are damaged and the contents are exposed, or if they are accessed without following proper precautions.

• Contact with the electric motor can only occur after one or more components are removed.

• The high-voltage cables can be easily identified by their distinctive orange color, and contact with them can be avoided.

If severe damage causes high-voltage components to become exposed, responders should take appropriate precautions and wear appropriate insulated personal protective equipment.

Disposal
The lithium-ion battery, the high-voltage battery fluid, and the water used to discharge the battery must be properly disposed of as industrial waste according to local regulations.
Seat Belts and Airbags

The Honda Accord Hybrid is equipped with lap/shoulder belts in all seating positions. The front seat belts are equipped with pyrotechnically activated tensioners that help tighten the seat belt in a sufficient crash.

In addition, the Honda Accord Hybrid is equipped with the following airbags:

- **Front Airbags** – Driver/Front Passenger
- **Side Airbags** – Driver/Front Passenger
- **Side Curtain Airbags** – Driver’s Side/Passenger’s Side

It takes up to **3 minutes** for the airbags and tensioners to power off after the 12-volt system has been turned off by following the emergency shutdown procedures described in this guide.

In a collision severe enough to deploy one or more of the airbags, the Honda Accord Hybrid electrical system is designed to automatically open the high-voltage electrical contactors. This disconnects the high-voltage battery from the other high-voltage components and stops the flow of electricity in the high-voltage cables.

*However, responders should always assume that the high-voltage system is powered on, and take the appropriate action described in this guide to power off the system.*
9. Important Additional Information

Vehicle Collision

In the event of a crash, the supplemental restraint system (SRS) unit makes a judgment based on input from the impact sensors. If the input values meet various threshold requirements, the SRS unit sends a signal to the high-voltage battery electronic control unit (ECU). The high-voltage battery ECU then turns off the high-voltage battery contactors, stopping the flow of electrical current from the high-voltage battery.

When responding to an incident involving a Honda Accord Hybrid, we recommend that emergency personnel follow their organization’s standard operating procedures for assessing and dealing with vehicle emergencies.

Honda recommends that responders follow the procedures in this guide to avoid potentially lethal shock from high voltage.
9. Important Additional Information

Dealer Inspection and Repair
A damaged Honda Accord Hybrid should be taken to an authorized Honda dealer for a thorough inspection and repairs. For questions or to locate an authorized Honda dealer, please contact your local Honda dealer or Honda Automobile Customer Service at (800) 999-1009.

High-Voltage Battery Recycling
The high-voltage lithium-ion battery requires special handling and disposal. If disposal is necessary, please contact your local Honda dealer or American Honda's Hybrid Battery Consolidation Center at (800) 555-3497.
This guide has been prepared to assist emergency response professionals in identifying a 2018–22 Honda Accord Hybrid vehicle and safely respond to incidents involving this vehicle.

Copies of this guide and other emergency response guides are available for reference or downloading at https://techinfo.honda.com.

For questions, please contact your local Honda dealer or Honda Automobile Customer Service at (800) 999-1009.

Honda wishes to thank emergency response professionals for their concern and efforts in protecting Honda customers and the general public.
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