

# TRANSPONDER SYSTEMS

Auto List for 1998 thru 2001

THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF TRANSPONDER BASED SECURITY SYSTEMS FOR DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN IMPORTED VEHICLES.

THE FORD VEHICLES ARE EQUIPPED WITH THE PATS (PASSIVE ANTI-THEFT SYSTEM).

THE CHRYSLER VEHICLES ARE EQUIPPED WITH THE SENTRY KEY-IMMOBILIZER SYSTEM.

THE GENERAL MOTORS VEHICLES ARE EQUIPPED WITH THE PASS-KEY III SYSTEM, OR VATS ANTI-THEFT SYSTEM.


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MANUFACTURER - VEHICLES	TRANSPONDER	YEAR	VATS	PATS
(+ is thru 2001 or + to current year)	General Motors is by Year	KEY: Optional= O Standard= S	System II or System III	
<b>NORTH AMERICAN VEHICLES</b>				
				
Buick Century (& Station Wagon)			1997.5-2001	
Buick LeSabre	2000+	S	92-99	
Buick Park Avenue	1997+	S	91-96	
Buick Reatta			91	
Buick Regal			1994-2001	
Buick Rendezvous	2001			
Buick Riviera			90-99	
Buick Roadmaster (& Station Wagon)			94-96	






				
Cadillac Allante			87-93	
Cadillac Broughanm			93-95	
Cadillac Catera	1997+			
Cadillac Concours			91-99	
Cadillac Deville	2000+		91-99	
Cadillac Eldorado			1989-2001	
Cadillac Fleetwood			93-95	
Cadillac Seville	2000		89-97	
Chevrolet Avalanche	2001			
Chevrolet Camaro			1989-2001	
Chevrolet Caprice			95-96	
Chevrolet Corvette			1996-2001	
Chevrolet Impala			95-96	
Chevrolet Lumina			1994-2000	
Chevrolet Monte Carlo			94-99	
Chevrolet Venture	1999+	S		
				
Chrysler Cirrus	1999+	O		
Chrysler Cirrus Sedan	2001			
Chrysler Concorde	1998+	O		
Chrysler LHS	1998+	S		
Chrysler New Yorker	2001			
Chrysler PT Cruiser (&LE)	2001	O		
Chrysler Sebring Conv.	1998+	O		
Chrysler Sebring Coupe	2001	S		
Chrysler Sebring Sedan	2001	S		
Chrysler 300M	1999+	S		
Chrysler Town & Country	2001	O		

Daewoo Lanos	2001			
Daewoo Leganza	2001			
Daewoo Nubira	2001			
				
Dodge Avenger	2001+	S		
Dodge Caravan (LS, LE, Grand)	2001	O		
Dodge Dakota	2001	O		
Dodge Dakota Quad Cab	2001	S		
Dodge Durango	2001	O		
Dodge Intrepid	1998+	O		
Dodge Intrepid Sedan, ES Sedan	2001			
Dodge Neon	2000+	O		
Dodge Stratus	1999+	O		
Dodge Stratus Coupe	2001	S		
Dodge Stratus Sedan	2001			
				
Ford Crown Victoria	1998+	S		Pats II
Ford Escape	2001	S		Pats III
Ford Excursion	2001+			Pats II
Ford Expedition	1997+	S		Pats II
Ford Explorer	1998+	O		Pats III
Ford Explorer Sport Trac	2001	S		Pats III
Ford Focus	2000+			Pats III
Ford F-150 Super Crew w/Series Pk	2001	S		Pats II
Ford F-Series P/U Truck	1999+	S		Pats II
Ford Harley F-150 Truck				Pats II
Ford Mustang	1996+	O		Pats II
Ford Ranger P/U Truck	1999+	S		Pats III

Ford Taurus LX/SHO	1996-99+	S		Pats III
Ford Thunderbird	2001+			Pats III
Ford Windstar	1998+	O		Pats III
				
Jeep Cherokee	1998+	O		
Jeep Grand Cherokee	1999	O		
Jeep Grand Cherokee	2000+	S		
Jeep Wrangler	1998-99	O		
Jeep Wrangler	2000	S		
Jeep Wrangler	2001	O		
				
Lincoln Continental	1998+	S		Pats II
Lincoln LS-6 & LS-8	1999+	S		Pats III
Lincoln Mark VIII	1997-98	S		
Lincoln Navigator	1997+	S		
Lincoln Navigator	1998+	S		Pats II
Lincoln Town Car	1998+	S		Pats II
				
Mazda B3000 & B4000	2001			
Mazda B Series P/U	1999+	S		Pats III
Mazda Miata	2001	S		
Mazda Tribute	2001+	S		Pats III
				
Mercury Cougar	2001+			Pats II
Mercury Grand Marquis	1998+	S		Pats II
Mercury Mountaineer	1998+	S		Pats III
Mercury Sable EX	1996-99+	S		Pats III
				
Oldsmobile 88, 88 Royal & LSS			92-99	
Oldsmobile Aurora	2001	S	95-99	

Oldsmobile Cutlass			94-97	
Oldsmobile Regency			98	
Oldsmobile Model 98 Regency			91-96	
Oldsmobile Silhouette	1999+	S		
Oldsmobile Toronado			90-92	
				
Pontiac Aztek	2001			
Pontiac Bonneville	2000+		92-99	
Pontiac Firebird			1991- 2001	
Pontiac Formula			1991- 2001	
Pontiac Grand Prix	2000+	S	94-96	
Pontiac GTA			88-90	
Pontiac Montana	1999+	S		
Pontiac Trans Am			1991- 2001	
				
<b>IMPORTED VEHICLES</b>				
				
Acura 3.5 RL	1997+	S		
Acura CL/TL	1999	S		
Acura N5X	1997+	S		
Acura MDX	2001	S		
				
BMW	1995.5-2000+	S (all models) 3,5,7&8		
				
Honda	1997+	S (some models)		
Honda Civic	2001			
Honda Insight	2001	S		

				
Infiniti	1995.5+	S		
Infiniti	1997+	S		
				
Jaguar	1998+	S		
Jaguar S-Type				Pats II
				
Lexus GS300-400	1998+	S		
Lexus IS300	2001	S		
Lexus LS400	1998+	S		
Lexus - All other models, check with dealer.				
				
Mercedes Benz	1997-98	S & O (Check with dealer)		
Mercedes Benz	1999+	S (all models)		
				
Mitsubishi Diamante	2000+	S		
Mitsubishi Eclipse	2000+	S		
Mitsubishi Galante	2000+	S		
Mitsubishi Montero	2000+			
Mitsubishi Montero Sport	2000+	S		
Mitsubishi Spyder	2000+			
				
Nissan Altima	2000+	S		
Nissan Maxima	1999+	S		
Nissan Pathfinder	1995.5 -2000	S		
Nissan Sentra	2001			
Nissan Xterra	2001			
				
Porsche Boxter	1997+	S		

				
Rover	1997+	S (some models)		
				
Saab 93, 95	1999+	S		
				
Toyota 4-Runner LTD	1999+	S		
Toyota Avalon XLS	1998+	S		
Toyota Camry SLE, LE	1998+	O		
Toyota Highlander	2001			
Toyota MR2 Spyder	2001	S		
Toyota Prius	2001	S		
Toyota Sequoia	2001	S		
Toyota Sienna, Land Cruiser	1999+	S		
Toyota Solara SLE	1999+	O		
				
Volkswagon	1999.5	O (Check with dealer)		
Volkswagon	2000+	S (most models)		
				



**PRODUCT NOTES:**

**Daimler Chrysler:**

The **2001** model year vehicles are equipped with the transponder based anti theft system where the keys may be identified by the Gray in color bow versus the Black in color bow for the non-transponder equipped vehicles. Chrysler will report and ably remove the old Chrysler Pentastar logo from the bows, and each model will now display the specific vehicle logos.

**Ford Products:**

The Ford PATS III encrypted transponder series system has been equipped on the 2001 Mercury Sable, Ford Taurus, 2000 Lincoln L.S., 2000 Ford Focus, and the Ford Ranger and Mazda B series trucks.

**Note:** Most of the technical firms are now equipped to read the new encrypted keys as well as

regular transponder keys for active transponders.

### **VATS:**

All VATS Keys should be tested for a Resistance Valve. The original factory installed Resistance Value can be obtained from the dealer by the Vehicle VIN on late model vehicles.

### **Vehicle Ignition Bypass Devices:**

If you have a report of a theft of a vehicle that is protected by the VATS, MRD/Passlock or Transponder Anti Theft Systems, and the owner has a bypass remote entry start system installed, and the vehicle is stolen as a result of this system being bypassed, it is possible that there may be subrogation potential against the installer of the bypass system as this anti theft system has been altered and possibly eliminated. Insurance companies may elect to ascertain from their legal council if subrogation may apply.

### **Training Information:**

Please see our SEMINAR Section for information on arson & auto theft courses being held.



### **DISCLAIMER:**

This is a list of vehicles that are reported to be equipped with a transponder based anti-theft system. This information is intended as a guide only. The information has been collected and is based on available published references from many sources, and has not been independently verified by the association or author. **WHEN IN DOUBT, CONTACT THE ORIGINAL DEALER OF SALE**, provide them with the vehicle identification number, and verify if the vehicle was equipped with the transponder system as an option or as standard equipment.

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