

# Lincoln Mark VII

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### Electronic Message Center (Trip Minder) Guide

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#### **INTRODUCTION TO THE ELECTRONIC MESSAGE CENTER**

To enhance your driving pleasure, the Lincoln Mercury division has created a special instrument panel feature – The Electronic Message Center. The message center provides you with whole list of useful information, at the touch of a button. Complete details on the features and capabilities of the message center are explained in your Owner's Guide. To get you started, we have provided this quick reference guide to assist you in programming and operating the message center. The facsimile message center keyboard provided on the back of this introduction is designed to be hung over your dashboard as a quick reference.

#### **FEATURES**

All of the features are controlled by twelve (12) pushbuttons on the instrument panel. The first ten buttons have the numerals 1 to 9 then 0 printed above the button's written function. These are dual function buttons. They are used numerically to set the estimated mileage to your destination. When used as function keys, they display and retain the function written on the button until another function key is depressed.

An audible tone is heard each time you press a button and each time a warning or alarm is displayed. When the headlights are on you can control message center brightness by rotating the thumbwheel Dimmer Control.

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Press to display time, date and day of the week. This display shows up on the Message Center automatically each time the ignition is turned on.

#### **To Set the Clock, Day and Date**

- Press RESET button once.
- Press CLOCK button.
- Press SET button until the correct hour and AM or PM portion appear.
- Press CLOCK button. The minutes portion will be displayed.
- Press the SET button until the correct minutes appear.
- Press the CLOCK button for the next portion.

Follow the above procedure using the clock and then the SET buttons to set the day, month and date portions. Complete the final settings by pushing the CLOCK button last.



Press to display the time that the **Alarm** is set to go off. This is an alarm feature for the clock **not** the anti-theft system.

#### **Alarm Set**

- Press RESET once, the ALARM to display “dashes”.
- Press SET button once, then ALARM to display “hours”.
- Press SET repeatedly to set hours.
- Press ALARM to display minutes and SET to set “minutes”.
- Press ALARM last, to complete the setting.

#### **To Disable Alarm**

- Press RESET, ALARM, RESET.



Press to display the **Elapsed Time** (E/TIME) in hours, minutes, and seconds. This feature allows you to see how much time has elapsed since the last reset.

#### To Set Elapsed Time

- Press RESET once.
- Press E/TIME once.



Press to display **Estimated Time of Arrival** (ETA). Both the **Clock** and **Destination** (DEST) settings must be correct to assure proper functioning of the ETA.



Press to display miles (or kilometers) remaining to a pre-set **destination** (DEST).

#### Distance to Destination Set

- Press RESET once.
- Press DEST – Display will read .0
- Use number buttons to enter distance.
- Press RESET – Distance to destination will reappear for driver check.



Press to display elapsed **Distance Traveled** (DIST). Functions as a trip odometer.

#### Reset to “0”

- Press RESET once.
- Press DIST once.



Press to display **Average Speed** (AV SPD) of the vehicle (since last reset).

#### To Reset Average Speed

- Press RESET once.
- Press AV SPD once.



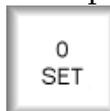
Press to display the **Fuel Economy** (F/ECON) of the vehicle. Average fuel economy since last reset is displayed first for five seconds and then the display automatically **changes** to the fuel economy of the vehicle at that instant. Displays in either mpg or liters per 100 kilometers (Lkm).

#### To Reset Average Fuel Economy

- Press RESET once.
- Press F/ECON once.



Press to display **Distance to Empty** (DTE) with the fuel remaining. The DTE display overrides any other display and appears automatically with an audible alarm at 50, 25, and 10 miles to empty. Press DTE once to stop alarm.



When pressed advances the numbers in segments of the **Clock** for setting time, day, month, and date and for setting the **Alarm**.



Press to change display from English to metric, and back again.



Press to **Reset** all programmable functions.

## PROGRAMMING THE TRIP LOG

The Trip Log portion of the Electronic Message Center is convenient, versatile, and simple to use, we have developed two typical examples of how it is programmed and how it works. Since many message center functions depend on time, be sure the clock is correct before you start.

### EXAMPLE I

Let's assume you are about to leave on a trip with a destination of 275 miles. Program your trip log as follows:

Press  twice then enter     
then 

You are now ready to go. As you are driving toward your destination, the trip log is monitoring all of the information about your progress. To check your progress while you travel, push any of the trip log buttons to get an instant readout.

## EXAMPLE II

In this example, you wish to proceed another 148 miles. You have two choices: **A** – You may erase all previous information from the 275 mile trip, or: **B** – You may retain it and add the 148 mile trip as an additional leg.

**A** – To **erase** the 275 mile trip and **re-program** the trip log for the next 148 miles, follow this example:

Press  **twice**. Then enter     
and 

**B** – To **retain** the information from your 275 mile trip and add the information for the next 148 miles, follow this example:

Press  **once**. Press   
Then enter    then 

Now when you proceed to ask for current information such as average speed and miles per gallon, etc., it will be based on the average for both the current trip (148 miles) **and** the previous trip (275 miles). You can continue to add information to the trip log with each new trip simply by following the instructions in **B**.

	RESET
Changes display from English to metric	MILES km
Clock and alarm set	0 SET
Distance to empty	9 DTE
Instantaneous and average fuel economy since reset	8 F/ECON
Average speed since reset	7 AV SPD
Distance traveled since reset	6 DIST
Distance to destination	5 DEST
Estimated time of arrival	4 ETA
Elapsed since reset	3 E/TIME
Displays alarm time	2 ALARM
Displays clock	1 CLOCK