

1979 Toronado gets Oldsmobile's attention

For Oldsmobile Toronado, 1979 is the year the overall size is down, but interior room and fuel economy are up.

The Toronado is the latest of Oldsmobile's redesigned cars. The four-passenger coupe is nearly 22 inches shorter than last year's model.

Besides the new dimensions, the Toronado will feature an improved diesel engine option.

Along with the trimmer appearance, the Toronado is approximately 900 pounds lighter. With the standard 5.7-litre (350-cubic-inch) V-8 gasoline engine, the 1979 Toronado gets 16 miles per gallon in the city and 22 miles per gallon on the highway, according to EPA figures. That is an increase of three miles per gallon over the 1978 Toronado.

With the optional 5.7-litre diesel engine, the Toronado fuel economy should be 21 miles per gallon in the city and 29 miles per gallon on the highway, according to EPA figures.

The 5.7-litre diesel engine option in the Toronado will include the newest diesel innovation — the fast-start system. The wait/start time, the diesel engine's biggest drawback, has been nearly eliminated with this system.

From the side the luxury Oldsmobile has a formal roof design. A Toronado emblem is on the sail panel unless replaced by optional opera lamps and the small rear quarter windows are stationary.

In the rear, long horizontal tail lamps and the back-up lamps extend from the edge of the deck lid to the license plate pocket to complete the styling theme. Individual Toronado lettering extends across the deck lid.

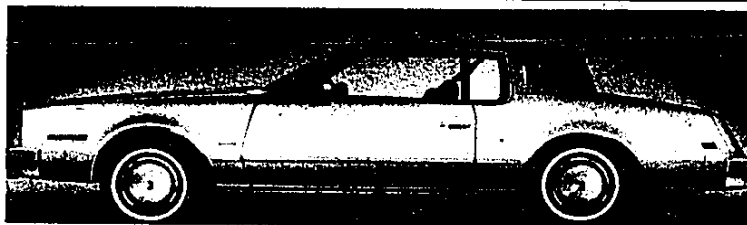
Toronado's list of standard equipment is long. It includes air conditioning, a divided front seat, six-way power seat on the driver's side, deluxe seat belts, side window defoggers, power windows, remote left hand mirror, deluxe trunk trim, automatic transmission, automatic level control, stowaway spare tire, digital clock, AM/FM stereo radio, power antenna, steelbelted whitewall radial tires, temperature gauge, cornering lamps, power steering and power brakes and door courtesy-warning lights.

New optional equipment includes reclining front seats for both the driver and passenger, external opera lamps on the sail panel, illuminated door locks and interior, a special suspension and fiber optic lamp monitors.

A fiber optic system lights the center Toronado nameplate, ash tray and lighter, cruise control, rear defogger and light switches. A combination dimmer and turn signal is mounted on the steering column.

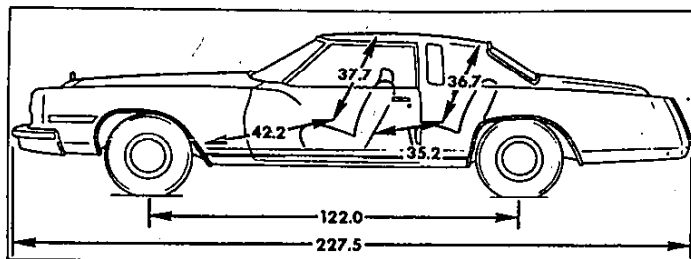
The redesigned model features a flush mounted windshield for smooth air flow. The rear window is flush-fitted and installed from the inside of the car. This allows use of smaller reveal moldings and eliminates water pockets.

An independent-type rear suspension provides excellent ride, handling and quietness. A rear stabilizer bar is standard. The standard automatic leveling system controls the height of the car with the use of an electric compressor and an electronic height sensor controls air pressure in the rear shocks.

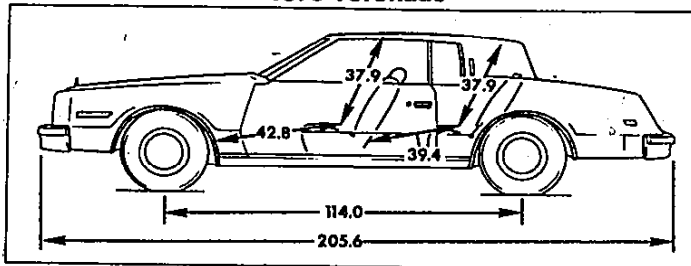


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Toronado dimension comparison



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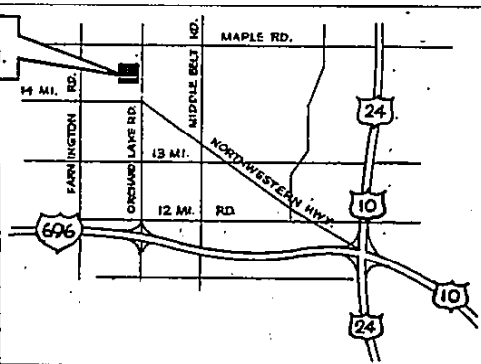
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