Find and Use the Hood Release

You never know when you might need to open the hood to check your oil or windshield washer fluid. To open the hood, here’s how to do it:

Follow these steps:

1. Park the vehicle and set the parking brake
2. Pull the hood release handle under the driver’s side lower corner of the dashboard—the hood will pop up slightly
3. Push the hood latch lever sideways (it’s located under the center front edge of the hood) and hold it while you lift the hood; then release the lever
4. Remove the support rod from the clamp using the grip; then mount the support rod into the hole in the hood
5. To close, remove the support rod and return it to the clamp; then gently lower the hood to a height of about 12 inches and drop the hood to close it

For more information, see your Owner’s Guide.