Phone Overview

**Fixed Antenna**—The phone will use the vehicle’s integrated antenna when connected via the coilcord.

**Earpiece**—Ultra-compact phone speaker.

**Accessory Connector Port**—Provides the connections for an external power supply and vehicular accessories.

**Headset Jack**—Provides the connection for an optional headset.

**Microphone**—Positioned for convenient conversation.

**Function Keys**—
- 📲—Turns the phone On and Off.
- 🔄—Acts as a “shift” key to access the secondary functions of other keys.
- 📞—Recalls phone numbers from memory.
- 📈—Stores phone numbers into memory.
- 🖊—Clears characters from the screen.
—Ends phone calls.
—Places or answers calls.
 and —Can be used to scroll through memory entries and menu features.
Message Button—Allows access to messaging features.
Smart Button—(Located on side of phone) Use the Smart Button to recall information from memory, place and end calls, select menu features, and toggle features on and off. The symbol “*” in your display represents the Smart Button.
 and Volume Keys—The upper and lower volume keys can adjust keypad, earpiece, and ringer volume. After pressing the Smart Button, the volume keys also scroll through memory entries and menu features.

Note: To prevent damage to the phone, BMW recommends that the handset flip be closed whenever it is placed in the eject box. As a result, the keypad on the Portable will not be accessible with the handset properly docked in the eject box.
Steering Wheel Controls

With this system, you can place and receive calls without removing your hands from the steering wheel. The ability to make hands-free calls relieves you of the necessity of holding the handset. In addition, the system features a “radio mute” device that automatically silences your BMW’s audio system when you place or receive calls.

The phone operation buttons are on the left side of your steering wheel as you are seated in the vehicle.

Note: Depending on the model of your BMW, your steering wheel will have one of the following button locations.

Note: All buttons on the left side of the steering wheel (except the R/T and call control buttons) change function depending on whether you are in radio or telephone mode. [See text in brackets for Radio functions.]
1 - Scroll Up Button
Scrolls up through alpha nametags or phone numbers previously stored. [Scrolls up through radio stations when in radio mode.]

2 - Volume Buttons
Adjusts speaker volume for the telephone during a call. + button increases volume; - button decreases volume. [Adjusts radio speaker volume when in radio mode.]

3 - Scroll Down Button
Scrolls down through alpha nametags or phone numbers previously stored. [Scrolls down through radio stations when in radio mode.]

4 - Radio/Telephone Button
Allows you to switch between radio and telephone mode. Will turn telephone on if it is off.

5 - Call Control Button
Places or ends a call.
Controls linked sequence calls, like pre-programmed bank/phone-mail calls.

Note: Depending on which steering wheel arrangement you have, your call control button will either be a phone icon 📞 or an icon of a person talking 🕹️. In this manual, all further references to the steering wheel call control button will show the phone icon, but it represents both call control button versions.
Radio Display

Your BMW telephone will display storage nametags and phone numbers in the radio display.
On-Board Monitor (if equipped)

Your BMW may be equipped with a multi-function On-Board Monitor which you may use to place and receive calls in hands-free mode. Calls can be placed via:

- Entering a non-stored number ("manual dialing").
- If you have previously stored information through your handset (see “Storing Names and Numbers” in the User Manual), you can use your On-Board Monitor to dial by name (alphatag).
- Recalling the last ten numbers dialed from the On-Board Monitor.
- Recalling the eight most frequently dialed numbers (Top 8) placed from the On-Board Monitor.

In addition, information on the reception signal and call time can also be retrieved. For complete information on the On-Board Monitor, review your vehicle’s On-Board Monitor owner’s manual.
Depending on the model of your BMW, your On-Board Monitor System will have one of the following button locations.

1 - Radio/volume knob
Controls volume of hands-free phone usage.
Press to switch radio on/off.
2 - Display monitor for all available systems

3 - Menu key

All available vehicle systems are displayed on the monitor.

4 - Call control button

Initiates and ends certain calls (on certain OBM models).

5 - Control knob for monitor

Turn to select functions shown on the monitor.
Press to activate functions shown on the monitor.

Memory Download

The OBM cannot access the memory of your portable phone directly. Instead, it saves a synchronized copy of the portable memory. This synchronization process is performed automatically each time the vehicle power is turned on and/or the phone is connected to the vehicle's coilcord. If the handset is not yet connected when you enter telephone mode on the OBM, the main telephone screen will display Phone Connected?. Connect the coilcord to the handset. The main telephone screen will then display Loading Phonebook. Do not press any call control keys or handset keys until this message clears the display.
This is the OBM's main telephone screen:

1 - Shows active phone number, nametag, or system messages.
2 - Use to dial unstored telephone numbers.
3 - When activated, can scroll to last ten numbers dialed.
4 - Provides access to the Functions menu.
5 - Provides access to the emergency display to call BMW ASSIST Emergency or Roadside Assistance Service.
6 - Provides access to the Signal Strength Meter and Call Timer.
7 - Call control phone icon (or call control button)
   - Dials the number in the display.
- Receives a call.
- Ends a call.
- Controls linked sequences (i.e., banking or voice mail calls).

This is the Functions screen, which accesses dialing shortcuts.
This is the Info screen, which displays the strength of the cellular signal, and the time of the last call, or, if in a call, the elapsed call time.
Radio/Navigation Unit

The BMW Z8 model is equipped with a multi-function Radio/Navigation Unit which you may use to place and receive calls in hands-free mode. Calls can be placed via:

- Entering a non-stored number ("manual dialing”).
- If you have previously stored information through your handset (see “Storing Names and Numbers” in the User Manual), you can use your Radio/Navigation Unit to dial by name (alphatag).
- Recalling the last ten numbers dialed from the Radio/Navigation Unit.
- Recalling the eight most frequently dialed numbers (Top 8) placed from the Radio/Navigation Unit.
In addition, information on the reception signal and call time can also be retrieved. For complete information on the Radio/Navigation Unit, review your vehicle's Radio/Navigation Unit owner's manual.

1 - Radio/volume knob
Controls volume of hands-free phone usage.
Press to switch radio on/off.

2 - Display monitor for all available systems

3 - Menu key
All available vehicle systems are displayed on the monitor.

4 - Call control button
Initiates and ends certain calls.
5 - Control knob for monitor

Turn to select functions shown on the monitor.
Press to activate functions shown on the monitor.

Note: If the handset is not yet connected when you enter telephone mode on the Radio/Navigation Unit, the main telephone screen will display PHONE CONNECTED. Connect the coicord to the handset. The main telephone screen will then display LOADING PHONEBOOK. Do not press any call control keys until this message clears the display.

Note: Your Radio/Navigation Unit display may truncate some messages; e.g., LOADING PHONEBOOK may appear as LOADING PHONEBOO.

This is the Radio/Navigation Unit's main telephone screen:
1 - The icon, when selected, will display the Dialing Options screen.

2 - Use to dial stored telephone numbers.

3 - Use to manually dial numbers from the Main Dialing screen.

This is the Dialing Options screen, which accesses dialing shortcuts.

This is the Info screen, which displays the strength of the cellular signal, and the time of the last call, or, if in a call, the elapsed call time.
Multi-Informational Display (MID)

If your BMW is equipped with a MID, you may use it to place and receive calls in hands-free mode. Calls can be placed via:

- Entering a non-stored number ("manual dialing").
- If you have previously stored information through your handset (see “Storing Names and Numbers” in the user manual), you can use the MID to dial by name (alphatag) or by location number.

The MID is located in your vehicle’s center control console, to the right of the steering wheel. The MID uses "soft" keys, or keys which change function depending on the feature being accessed:
1 - Scroll Buttons
Scroll through numbers and names, depending on function.

2 - Soft Keys
Show functions, names, memory locations, or digits.

3 - Telephone Button
TEL puts the MID into telephone mode; the call control button sends or ends calls.

4 - Volume Control Knob
Controls speaker volume on a hands-free call.
Press to switch radio on/off.

5 - Status Indicators
Red – No Service
Green – In use, call active

Contacting BMW Help from the MID
• On the MID, press the BMW soft key. The BMW Help number then appears in the display: 1-800-332-4269.

Press the left side of the call control / TEL button to place the call.
Basic Operating Instructions

Note: All instructions from the handset assume the portable is connected to the coilcord with the flip open, but not docked in the eject box.

Turning Your Phone On

• Turn on the vehicle's ignition.
• On the handset, press \.
• On the steering wheel, press \.

Note: The phone can also be powered on from the OBM, Radio/Navigation Unit, and MID.

Turning Your Phone Off

• Turn the vehicle's ignition off.
• On the handset, press \.

Note: The phone cannot be powered off using the On-Board Monitor, the Radio/Navigation Unit, or the MID.
Placing a Call

• On the handset, dial the number and press æ, or recall the number from memory (see the “Using Memory” section in your user manual).

• On the steering wheel, use the scroll buttons to select the desired alpha nametag and press the call control button æ.

• On the OBM, use the Dial Function to enter the phone number, select the call icon and press the control knob æ / call control button (depending on type of OBM), or recall the number from the OBM.

• On the Radio/Navigation Unit, select the call icon and press the call control button or recall the number from the Radio/Navigation Unit.

• On the MID, dial the number using the numeric soft keys and press the left side of the call control / TEL button æ TEL or press the MENU soft key and select from the options.

Receiving Calls

• On the handset, press æ.

• On the steering wheel, press the call control button æ.

• On the OBM, press the call control button.
Ending Calls

- On the handset, press \( \text{end} \).
- On the steering wheel, press the call control button.
- On the OBM, press the call control button.
- On the Radio/Navigation Unit, press the call control button.
- On the MID, press the left side of the call control / TEL button.

Recalling From Memory

- On the handset, recall the last number dialed by pressing \( \text{redial} \).
  
  or

  Recall from the stored memory by name or by location using the Phone Book features.

- On the OBM, select Last Numbers Dialed at the main telephone screen and press the control knob. You will now be able to scroll through the last ten numbers dialed.
Note: As this is a feature of the OBM, only calls initiated through the steering wheel controls or OBM will update the Last Numbers Dialed list.

or
Select the Functions menu at the main telephone screen, then select Top 8. This feature allows you to scroll between the eight (or less) numbers most frequently dialed from the OBM.

or
Select the Functions menu at the main telephone screen, then select Directory. This feature allows you to scroll through the alpha nametags stored in the phone’s memory.

• On the Radio/Navigation Unit, select DIRECTORY from the Dial-by-function screen and press the control knob . This allows you to scroll through the alpha nametags stored in the phone’s memory.

or
Select TOP–8 from the Dial-by-function screen and press the control knob . This feature allows you to scroll between the eight (or less) numbers most frequently dialed from the Radio/Navigation Unit.
• On the MID, press the LAST 10 soft key, then press the arrow keys to scroll through
the last 10 numbers dialed, and press the left side of the call control / TEL button
at the desired number.

  or

Press the MENU soft key to enter the functions menu, and select NAME to recall
memory entries by alpha nametag.

  or

Press the MENU soft key to enter the functions menu, and select TOP 5 to scroll
through the five numbers most frequently dialed from the MID. Press the left side of
the call control / TEL button at the desired number.