Driver's Handbook

Volvo Link Communication System 9700 US/Can





Foreword

This manual contains information concerning the operation and function of the Volvo Link System. The information in this manual applies to vehicles built January 2009 and later. Please keep this manual in the vehicle at all times.

Note: Illustrations in this manual are used for reference only and may differ slightly from the actual vehicle. However, key components addressed in this document are represented as accurately as possible.

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Safety Information

IMPORTANT: Before driving this vehicle, be certain that you have read and that you fully understand each and every step of the driving and handling information in this manual. Be certain that you fully understand and follow all safety warnings.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION BE READ, UNDERSTOOD AND ALWAYS FOLLOWED.

The following types of advisories are used throughout this manual:

Danger indicates an unsafe practice that could result in serious personal injury or death. A danger advisory banner is in white type on a **black** background with a **black** border.

Warning indicates an unsafe practice that could result in personal injury. A warning advisory banner is in **black** type on a **gray** background with a **black** border.

Caution indicates an unsafe practice that could result in damage to the product. A caution advisory is in **black** type on a **white** background with a **black** border.

Note: Note indicates a procedure, practice, or condition that must be followed in order for the vehicle or component to function in the manner intended.

System Information

The Volvo Link System provides satellite communication between the driver and the fleet operator. It includes a satellite communication ECU, GPS antenna, VHF antenna, and wiring harnesses. This system allows communication between Volvo's web-based software and the vehicle. The driver can send and receive short text messages, which are visible through the Driver Information Display (DID) in the vehicle instrument cluster. The fleet operator can communicate with the driver through Volvo's web-based software. The Volvo Link System also provides GPS data in the DID Gauges menu. This data indicates the location and direction the vehicle is travelling to the driver and fleet operator.

Stalk Switch Control Lever

The controls for the Driver Information Display (DID) in the instrument cluster are the four buttons in the stalk switch on the right side of the steering column.

- 1 **Esc** (Escape) is used to return to the previous menu and cancel a setting or operation.
- 2 \downarrow (Enter) is used to select the highlighted area.
- 3 **Up** arrow moves the cursor up.
- 4 **Down** arrow moves the cursor down.



Using the Display

- 1 The Volvo Link system menu is in the DID. Press **Esc** to display the main menus in the DID.
- 2 Use the up and down buttons on the stalk switch to scroll to the Volvo Link menu.
- 3 Press \downarrow to select the Volvo Link menu.
- 4 After selecting Volvo Link, another screen pops up, offering the choice to read messages, send messages, or view other information.
- 5 For instructions on reading and sending messages, or other information, refer to:
 - "Read Message" page 3
 - "Send Message" page 7
 - "Other Info" page 11

The following menus are available:

- 1 Read message
 - Quick Response (Only available if there is a message available.)
- 2 Send message
 - Driver & Equipment
 - Dispatch Messages
 - Free Text
- 3 Other Info
 - Comm Link Info
 - Mailbox Info
 - GPS Info
 - INI Info
 - Configuration Info

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Read Message

Incoming Message Notification

The fleet operator can send messages to the driver. When a message is received by the Volvo Link ECU, the driver is notified by the INFO lamp in the instrument cluster :



and a message in the DID. One of the following two messages will appear:





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Press **Esc** on the stalk switch when the message appears to turn off the INFO lamp and message.

Viewing Messages

To view all stored messages, select Volvo Link, then **Read message** in the DID.



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*2 indicates there are two unread messages in the queue.

There are 2 types of messages: **Standard** and **Priority**.

When there are no stored messages, the following screen is displayed.

Read Me	essage	
	No messages available	
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Standard Messages

Standard messages CANNOT be read while driving.

If the driver tries to access a message while driving, the message: **Stop vehicle to read message** is displayed in the DID.



Priority Messages

The default set up for viewing **high priority messages** is **driving at 90 km/h (55 mph) or below.**

While the vehicle is moving, ONLY the last message received may be read.

Quick Response to Incoming Messages

While the message is displayed, press → to access the Quick Response Menu.

The driver can send a Quick Response only to the most recent message in the queue if it was a priority message.

The Quick Response is the only reply that may be sent while driving.

The following Quick Response messages may be sent:

The driver has to confirm that he wants to send the message:

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Yes/OK	<u> </u>	
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	Press 🚽 to send		
	message or ESC		
to return to menu			
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Sending Not Allowed is displayed when you attempt to send a Quick Response to an old message, if the Outbox is full, if there is no message, or if there is an antenna problem. You cannot send a Quick Response to an old message.

Read Message		
S	ending Not Allowe	d
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Send Message

Sending Messages from the Vehicle

The driver can send messages to the fleet operator. Messages can be sent only when the vehicle is stopped. If the driver attempts to send a message while the vehicle is moving, the following message is displayed:

Send M	essage	
	Stop vehicle	
	to	
	send message	
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The driver can send three types of messages: Driver & Equipment, Dispatch Messages, and Free text. Scroll to **Send message** in the Volvo Link menu and press \downarrow .

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The Driver & Equipment and Dispatch Messages menus contain standard messages.

Driver & Equipment

- Driver1:Start/Resume
- Driver2:Start/Resume
- Pre-Trip Check OK
- Stopped: On Duty
- Stopped: Off Duty
- Please Call Me ASAP
- Instructions Needed
- Breakdown: Stranded
- Breakdown: Driveable

Dispatch Messages

- Trip/Leg: Started
- Trip/Leg: Completed
- Status: Loaded
- Status: Deadhead
- Status: Bobtail
- Picked Up Load/Trailer
- Dropped Load/Trailer
- Stop-Off
- Will Deliver On Time
- Late: More Than 1 h
- Send Dispatch Info

To select a message, scroll to the message and press \dashv . To send the message, press \dashv . Press **Esc** to return to the menu.

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Free Text

Free text messages are sent as follows:

Use the stalk switch to scroll the cursor (see 1 in illustration) through the available characters. Press the UP arrow to move to the left and the DOWN arrow to move to the right. Once the cursor has highlighted the correct character, press \downarrow . Repeat for each character.

Hold the UP or DOWN arrow to quickly move the cursor through the available characters.

Use the message movement arrows (see 5 in illustration) to move the cursor (see 4 in illustration) in the message area.

When finished with the message select X (see 6 in illustration), or press \downarrow and hold for 3 seconds, to send the message.

Note: Press **Esc** to go back to the previous character. To cancel sending a typed message, press **Esc** until the message is cleared from the screen.



- 1 Selection Cursor
- 2 Space
- 3 Message Area
- 4 Message Cursor
- 5 Message Movement Arrows
- 6 Send Icon

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	message or ESC	
	to return to menu	1
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After Message is Sent

After a message is sent, one of the following confirmations will appear on screen:

If **Message Placed In Outbox** is displayed, the message was received by the Volvo Link ECU and will be sent during the next satellite transmission.

If **Sending Not Allowed** is displayed, the message was **NOT** sent. The reason for this failure may be the system is busy or the output queue is full. Wait briefly and try sending the message again. If the error message persists, please contact your Volvo fleet operator.

Note: Sending Not Allowed is displayed if the Outbox is full or there is an antenna problem. Scroll to Mailbox Info and Comm Link Info screens for additional information.

If No Subscription (800) 52–VOLVO US/CA (800) 90–94–900 MX is displayed, the message was NOT sent. This indicates that messaging capabilities have not been activated or they have been disabled by the fleet. Please contact your Volvo fleet operator.



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	(800) 90-94-900 MX		
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Other Info

The **Other Info** menu displays general operational information about the Volvo Link System. Information includes:

- Comm Link Info
- Mailbox Info
- GPS Info
- INI Info
- Configuration Info

Use the stalk switch to scroll through each screen. To update the information in each screen, scroll to the next screen then return to the previous screen.

The **Comm Link Info** screens provide information about the satellite signal. **Sat in View** indicates the ID of the current communications satellite in view. **Gap**, if shown, represents the time in minutes since the last satellite was in view.

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The **Mailbox Info** screen indicates the total number of messages sent and received. Also indicated is the number of messages currently in the outbox waiting to be transmitted and whether or not the outbox is full.

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The **GPS Info** screen provides information about the GPS signal. It displays how many satellites are in view and the type of **Fix** (3D, 2D or No Fix). **Lat** is the current latitude. **Lon** is the current longitude.

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The **INI Info** screen displays the current state of the ECU initialization (start-up) and the VIN Check status.

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VIN C	heck: OK	
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The **Configuration Info** screen indicates the status of active schedules and driver messaging. When schedules are enabled, the number of active schedules is also displayed.

Configuration Info Schedules Active: 2 Driver Messaging: On		
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Satellite Message Icons

The following icon will be displayed if a GPS fix is not available.

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The following icon will be displayed if the satellite service is not available.



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Compass Gauge

Select **Gauges** in the DID main menu and scroll UP or DOWN to display the compass gauge.

If a GPS fix is not available, the gauge may or may not display the compass arrow, a latitude and longitude reading, a 0.0 or dashes latitude and longitude reading. Scroll to the **GPS Info** screen to check the GPS signal status.

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Location

The location of the vehicle is displayed in degrees latitude and longitude. The top value shows the latitude. The bottom value shows the longitude.

Directional Arrow

The compass arrow shows the direction the vehicle is travelling. After the vehicle is stopped, the arrow stays pointed in the last direction of travel.



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