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The future of mobility is electric, and BMW is here to help you charge forward. In this guide to BMW electromobility, you will find everything you need to know about making the switch to electric driving – from information about home and public charging, to facts about BMW's newest electrified lineup.

If you would like to learn more about BMW's lineup of battery electric and plug-in hybrid vehicles, speak to a sales advisor at your local authorized BMW Retailer.





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01 ELECTROMOBILITY ESSENTIALS











ELECTROMOBILITY ESSENTIALS.



Battery Electric Vehicle (BEV).

A BMW Battery Electric Vehicle is a fully electric vehicle powered entirely by electricity, meaning it produces zero emissions. A BMW Battery Electric Vehicle is equipped with an electric motor and a high-voltage lithium-ion battery that can be recharged via a Level 1 or 2 AC or Level 3 DC charger. In the coming years, the BMW Group will continue to expand its electrified product lineup.





Alternating Current (AC).

AC Power provides varying voltage, meaning that its flow of charge periodically alternates direction. AC power is supplied to domestic and public AC outlets from the electrical grid. When charging an electrified vehicle with an AC charger, the vehicle's onboard charger will receive the Alternating Current (AC) and convert it to a Direct Current (DC), which is then sent to the vehicle's battery and stored as energy. AC chargers are common for home and public charging, and available at different charging speeds. Both BMW Plug-in Hybrid and BMW Battery Electric Vehicles can be charged using AC charging.



Direct Current (DC).

DC Power provides constant voltage and a direct current, meaning it delivers power directly from a DC charging source to the vehicle's battery, without the need for conversion from the vehicle's on-board charger. DC charging represents the fastest way to charge an electrified vehicle, however, only BMW Battery Electric Vehicles can be charged using DC Charging. BMW Plug-in Hybrid Vehicles cannot utilize DC chargers. It is commonly referred to as a form of public charging called DC Fast Charging. The fastest charging speeds, above 100 kW and up to 350 kW, are also known as High Power Charging DC, or HPC DC.

It is only available as a form of public charging called "DC Fast Charging". DC charging can accommodate Battery Electric Vehicles only.

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Kilowatt (kW).

A watt is an international unit for measuring power. In the context of electrified vehicles, it can refer to the flow of power that electric motors are capable of outputting, or the output of charging products and stations used to charge a vehicle's battery – with higher numbers equating to faster charging speeds.



Kilowatt-Hour (kWh).

A Kilowatt-Hour is an international unit for measuring energy. In the context of electrified vehicles, a Kilowatt-Hour is used to measure the battery's energy capacity, and can be compared to the litre capacity of a fuel tank in an Internal Combustion Engine (ICE) vehicle. This means that batteries with a higher kWh are capable of storing more energy, resulting in a higher range figure.

See more about AC and DC charging in the Charging at Home and Public Charging sections.



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CHARGING FORWARD.







Level 1 AC & 2 AC **Charging Equipment.**

The BMW Flex Charger.

The ultimate-all-in-one charging solution. Standard with BMW Battery Electric Vehicles including the BMW i7.



The BMW Flex Charger, which comes with two adaptor cables, can accommodate both Level 1 AC charging using a 120-volt household outlet, as well as Level 2 AC charging using a 240-volt NEMA 14-50 Receptacle (Level 2 AC charging). The cable itself is 5 metres in length to accommodate typical residential garages.

How to Use the BMW Flex Charger.



1. Connect the adaptor cable suitable for your electric outlet to the charge unit.



4. The charging status bar on the charge unit will turn blue, indicating that it's ready to use.

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3. Plug the adaptor cable into the outlet.



5. Plug the charging cable into your vehicle's charging port.



6. Unlock your vehicle to disconnect the charging cable from the vehicle's charging port.

PLEASE NOTE: Do not use an extension cable between the charging cable and the domestic socket.



Level 2 AC Charging Equipment.

The BMW Wallbox.

Available through your local authorized BMW Retailer.



The BMW Wallbox is the ideal Level 2 AC charging option for drivers wanting a second charger in their residence. Featuring a sleek weather-proof design, as well as innovative features such as current control and wi-fi integration, it's made to provide the highest level of charging convenience.

How to Use the BMW Wallbox.



1. Ensure the BMW Wallbox is installed by a licensed and certified electrician.



4. During charging, the charging status indicator will pulse slowly in blue.

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2. The blue LED bar indicates that the BMW Wallbox is ready to charge.



3. Plug the charging cable into your vehicle's charging port to initiate charging.



5. When charging is complete, unlock your vehicle to disconnect the charger.



6. Return the charger to the BMW Wallbox and hang the cable on the cable holder to keep it organized.

For more information on the BMW Wallbox, visit your local authorized BMW Retailer.





Charge Management with the My BMW App.

With the charge management features of the My BMW App*, you can remotely control the charging process of your battery electric or plug-in hybrid BMW. Whether you want to simply check on the current charge status of your BMW, review its charge history, or activate pre-conditioning, the My BMW App* makes it easy to tap into your vehicle's complete charging capabilities.





Vehicle Status.

Check your vehicle's current state of charge, driving range, and expected remaining charging time.



Charging History.

Get an overview of all charging sessions and the amount of electricity used for each. You can also enter fixed electricity rates to gain insights into charging costs associated with different times of day.

The My BMW App is optimized for BMW vehicles from 2016 model year and newer in conjunction with the option ConnectedDrive Services and a compatible smartphone. Available apps and services are subject to change, may vary by location or other factors. May require additional services, plans, subscriptions and vehicle options, and may only be operable in conjunction with certain smartphones and operating systems (smartphone not provided). Not all apps or services may be available for all BMW models.

HOME CHARGING.



Charge Scheduling.

Schedule charging times remotely. Activate "charge immediately" to start charging once the vehicle is plugged in, or "charge in time slot" to charge during a preferred time such as overnight.

DID YOU KNOW...

Some Canadian electricity providers offer "off-peak energy hours" – typically overnight – in which energy costs are lower. By using the My BMW App* to schedule charging during these "off-peak" hours, you can enjoy significant cost of electricity savings over the duration of your ownership journey.



Push Notifications.

The My BMW App^{*} will notify you when your vehicle is fully charged with a push notification.











Tap into the Power of Pre-Conditioning.

Extreme hot or cold temperatures, common during Canada's summer and winter months, can affect the range of any electric vehicle and the overall performance of the high-voltage battery. But with BMW's electrified models, one of the solutions to counteract this effect is pre-conditioning.

Pre-conditioning refers to the process of "climatizing" your vehicle's cabin and preparing your battery while it's charging. This process will help the battery reach an ideal temperature to maximize efficiency and optimize range. Additionally, pre-conditioning will pre-heat or pre-cool your vehicle's cabin, ensuring you step into a perfectly tempered interior before setting off on your journey.

Pre-Conditioning from the My BMW App.*

To activate pre-conditioning immediately:

1. Select the fan icon and 'Start Climatization'.

To schedule pre-conditioning for departure:

- **1.** Select 'Charge & Climate Settings.
- 2. Select 'Edit'
- **3.** Tap the 'Automatic climate control for departure' toggle.
- **4.** Choose your next departure time or a recurring departure time.
- **5.** Your vehicle will automatically activate pre-conditioning ahead of this pre-determined departure time



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Pre-Conditioning from Your Vehicle's iDrive system.

- **1.** Select the 'Car' Tab.
- **2.** Select 'Settings'.
- **3.** Select 'Climate Control'.
- **4.** Select Pre-Conditioning/Ventilation.
- **5.** Select 'Start Now' to activate pre-conditioning immediately or 'Departure Schedule' to schedule pre-conditioning at a recurring time slot.







3 More Tips to Maximize Range in Winter.



Take advantage of your vehicle's heated seats and steering wheel.

These features only draw energy from your vehicle's low-voltage battery, as opposed to the heating system, which draws more energy from its high-voltage battery.

HOME CHARGING.

Use your vehicle's ECO PRO or Efficient Driving Mode.

These driving modes help to optimize your driving style, for example by modulating throttle input to ultimately improving range.

Set 'energy recuperation' level to high.

Battery Electric Vehicles offer regenerative braking, which recuperates energy during deceleration. The energy recuperation can be set to 3 different levels via the iDrive system, or to maximum recuperation via the gear selector.







CHARGING FORWARD.





Charge Up At No Charge.

7 owners receive 3 years* of complimentary charging on Electrify Canada's public network. Owners have access to a growing network of BMW Compatible Level 3 DC Fast Charging locations capable of charging the i7 at up to 195 kW, compliments of BMW.



PUBLIC CHARGING.





While most owners of an electrified BMW tend to charge their vehicle at home, there may be times when you need to charge on the go. Fortunately, Canada is home to thousands of public charging stations – many accessible via the My BMW App^{*} and your vehicle's iDrive system, as well as through charging provider apps.

Canada's Charging Infrastructure.

6000+ Public Charging Locations

Level 2 AC and Level 3 DC Fast Chargers.



PLANNING A TRIP?

Visit the BMW Electromobility Hub and use the interactive Public Charging Map to explore all public charging stations on route to your destination.

PUBLIC CHARGING.



Level 2 AC Public Charging.

Often referred to as "destination charging", Level 2 AC public charging is ideal if you plan on staying at your destination for several hours.

Recommended For	All battery electric and plug-in hybrid BMW models.
Typical Output	Most Public Level 2 Stations vary between 6 kW to 8 l BMW battery electric models will accept up to 8 kW, BMW Plug-in Hybrid models will accept up to 3.7 kW.
Connector	J1772 Connector provided by the charging site.
10-80% Approx. Charging Time	BMW i7 = Approx. 11 hours*

Payment at a Level 2 Public Charging Station.

Some Level 2 public charging stations are free to use. For those that are pay-per-use, the average cost is \$1.50 - \$2.50 / Hr.* Payment can be made through your charging provider account, and some locations will accept a tap & go credit card.

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Level 3 DC Fast Charging.

Level 3 DC Fast Charging is the fastest public charging option available, with outputs varying from 25 kilowatts (kW) to High Power DC Fast Charging capable of delivering up to 350 kilowatts (kW). Level 3 DC Fast Charging can only accommodate battery electric vehicles, not plug-in hybrids.

Recommended For	The battery electric BMW i7.
Typical Output	Between 25 kW and 350 kW. The BMW i7 will accept up to 195 kW.
Connector	CCS Connector provided by the charging site.
10-80% Approx. Charging Time	BMW i7 = 38 minutes*

Payment at a Level 3 DC Fast Charging Station.

Most Level 3 charging stations are pay-per-use and bill by the minute for an average cost \$15-\$30 / hour.**

Pre-Conditioning in Advance of Level 3 DC Fast Charging.

Through iDrive or the My BMW App[±], you can select a public DC Fast Charger where you plan to charge, and "pre-condition in advance of DC Fast Charging". Doing so will pre-condition your vehicle to the ideal parameters to that specific charger.

PUBLIC CHARGING.



DID YOU KNOW...

With Level 3 DC Fast Charging, it's recommended to charge your vehicle up to 80%. After 80%, the rate of charge will slow down, which can increase the cost of charging at a Level 3 DC Fast Charging station. Electrified BMW Owners can set the charging target to 80% through the My BMW App, or through the vehicle's iDrive system.

* Charge times vary based on vehicle battery size and 150 kW output from charging device. For optimal charge speed, ensure that the ePower range is between 10-80%. *The My BMW App is optimized for BMW vehicles from 2016 model year and newer in conjunction with the option ConnectedDrive Services and a compatible smartphone. Available apps and services are subject to change, may vary by location or other factors. May require additional services, plans, subscriptions and vehicle options, and may only be operable in conjunction with certain smartphones and operating systems (smartphone not provided). Not all apps or services may be available for all BMW models. ±Data provided by plugndrive.ca as of 02/2023.





THE BENEFITS OF **GOING ELECTRIC WITH BMW**











1. LOWER OWNERSHIP COSTS.



3 Year Complimentary DC Fast Charging

With the purchase of a new BMW i7, you will receive complimentary DC Fast charging for 3 years through the Electrify Canada network. Beyond this, you will enjoy the additional savings that come with not having to pay for fuel. Visit the BMW Electromobility Hub today and use the interactive fuel savings calculator to discover how much you can save per year.

If you have any questions you can reach out to your BMW Retailer.

THE BENEFITS OF GOING ELECTRIC WITH BMW.

Less Required Maintenance.

BMW's battery electric models do not require oil service, coolant changes, and spark plug replacements. They also have fewer moving parts, meaning there's less of a chance that parts will need to be repaired or replaced during your ownership journey.



2. PREFERRED LANE AND PARKING ACCESS.



HOV Lane Access.

Battery electric and plug-in hybrid BMWs may be eligible for HOV lane access, even with a single occupant. Check your local regulations for details.

THE BENEFITS OF GOING ELECTRIC WITH BMW.

Green Vehicle Parking.

Many parking providers across Canada offer preferred "Green Vehicle Parking" for battery electric and plug-in hybrid vehicles.





3. EXCEPTIONAL ELECTRIC RANGE.



A Range that Goes the Distance.

The BMW i7 offers a fully electric range of up to 512 km^{*} – enough to comfortably accommodate the average daily commute of 60 km in Canada.**



ECO PRO / Efficient Driving Modes.

The ECO PRO and Efficient Driving Modes in the BMW i7 help to extend electric range, by modulating throttle input and enabling more efficient driving.

*Electric range may vary based on driving habits and other factors. Estimated range is based on Government of Canada approved criteria and testing methods. For more information visit https://fcr-ccc.nrcan-rncan.gc.ca/en **Data provided by plugndrive.ca as of 02/2023.

THE BENEFITS OF GOING ELECTRIC WITH BMW.



Regenerative Braking with Energy Recuperation.

Regenerative braking is a feature of the BMW i7 recuperates energy during deceleration and transfers that energy back to the battery – ultimately improving range.

The energy recuperation effect can be set at three different intensity levels through the vehicle's iDrive system. The "High" recuperation level can be activated through the gear selector to achieve maximum energy recovery and range.





4. RETAILERS EQUIPPED FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLES.



Expertly Trained Advisors.

BMW Retailers in Canada have over 330 Sales Advisors and over 180 Service Advisors who have received extensive training on BMW's electric vehicles and electromobility as a whole.

THE BENEFITS OF GOING ELECTRIC WITH BMW.



High-Voltage **Trained Technicians.**

BMW's nationwide network of Retailers have over 220 High-Voltage Technicians, who have been trained and certified to perform service on battery electric and plug-in hybrid BMW vehicles



Well-Equipped **Service Facilities.**

BMW Retail facilities across Canada are equipped with the latest state-of-the-art service equipment specially designed for BMW electrified vehicles.







5. PUBLIC CHARGING PARTNERSHIP WITH QMERIT

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Easy installation with Qmerit.

As one of the nation's largest providers of electrification solutions, Qmerit makes it easy to get a Level 2 charging station in your home - including a wallbox or a 240V outlet - with quick and convenient EV charger installation services. To get started, simply complete Qmerit's simple home assessment online and you'll be matched with a Qmerit ceritified installer who will review your project scope and provide a firm proposal. For an even more convenient experience, choose the Concierge Installation Service by Qmerit where a dedicated Concierge will walk you through every step of the process.

LEARN MORE

THE BENEFITS OF GOING ELECTRIC WITH BMW.





To learn more about electromobility or the BMW i7, visit your local authorized BMW Retailer.

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