

# Wipe Personal Data From A Leased Or Sold Car

English how-to. ~30 minutes. Phone book, garage code, home address, paired phones — all out before you hand over t

**How to wipe personal data, paired phones, garage codes, and manufacturer linkage from a vehicle before**  
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## Do This Right Now

#	STEP
1.	Unpair every Bluetooth device.
2.	Clear navigation history, home address, favorites.
3.	Delete the HomeLink garage code.
4.	Unlink your manufacturer account via the app.
5.	Cancel SiriusXM and other vehicle subscriptions.
6.	Sign out of CarPlay / Android Auto.
7.	Perform a master factory reset; wait for completion.
8.	Remove dashcam, OBD-II dongles, USB drives, accessories.

## Why This Matters

- Mozilla's Privacy Not Included found every major automaker collects substantial personal data through connected services. None pass
- Used-car sales have documented cases of next-owners discovering the prior owner's contacts, address, garage code, and SMS histor
- Manufacturer accounts (FordPass, BMW ConnectedDrive, MyChevrolet, Hyundai Bluelink, Tesla, etc.) can retain remote-command a