

## Starting to Drive

Turn on the vehicle and start the power system to begin driving.

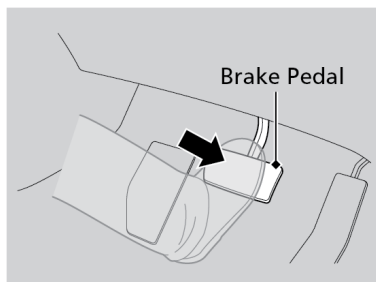
### ■ Turning on the Power

1. Make sure the parking brake is applied.

The electric parking brake indicator comes on for 30 seconds when you pull up the electric parking brake switch.



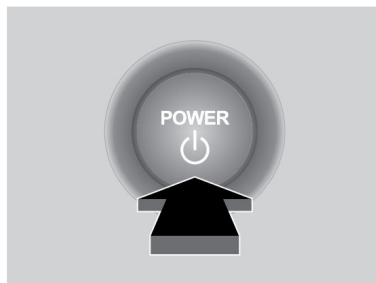
2. Depress the brake pedal.



3. Without depressing the accelerator pedal, press the **POWER** button while depressing the brake pedal.
4. Check the **READY** indicator.

Keep depressing the brake pedal until the **READY** indicator comes on.

The **READY** indicator comes on when the power system is on and you can start driving.



If the outside temperature is extremely low, you cannot drive until conditions are improved. In this case, the **READY** indicator does not come on and a warning message appears on the driver information interface.

**Note:** The engine is harder to start in cold weather and in thinner air found at altitudes above 8,000 feet (2,400 m). When starting the engine in cold

weather, turn off all electrical accessories such as the lights, climate control system, and rear defogger in order to reduce 12-volt battery drain.

## NOTICE

If you repeatedly turn the steering wheel at an extremely low speed, or hold the steering wheel in the full left or right position for a while, the electric power steering (EPS) system heats up. The system goes into a protective mode, and limits its performance. The steering wheel becomes harder and harder to operate. Once the system cools down, the EPS system is restored. Repeated operation under these conditions can eventually damage the system.

### ■ Changing the Power Mode

Use the **POWER** button to cycle through power modes or start the power system.

