

'79 CHEVY TRUCKS



BUILT TO STAY TOUGH. All Chevy light-duty trucks—pickups, Vans, Suburbans, 4-wheelers—are built one way—tough. That's because we want them to last. How well have we succeeded? Well just check the chart at lower right.

Double-wall construction. It's used a lot on Chevy trucks. Not just in the Fleetside cargo box side walls and tailgate, but in the doors, hoods and front fenders of most models. Adds to overall sheet metal rigidity. Double-wall is one tough kind of tough.

Massive Girder Beam front suspension. A massive, rigid steel beam forms the foundation for the independent front suspension on Chevy 2-wheel-drive models. Two contoured steel control arms with coil springs permit front wheels to take bumps and ruts independently to help smooth the ride.

A TOUGH RECORD TO BEAT.



53.3% of all Chevy trucks, in the ten most recent years recorded, were still on the job. This is based on the latest available industry model year registration statistics through July, 1977. R. L. Park & Co., July 1, 1977. 1979 statistics not available.

A word about engines.
The Chevrolet trucks in this catalog are equipped with GM-built engines produced by various divisions. See your dealer for complete details about engine sources and availability.

A word about this catalog: We have tried to make this catalog as comprehensive and factual as possible. And we hope you find it helpful. However, since the time of printing, some of the information you'll find here may have been updated. Your dealer has details and, before ordering, you should ask him to bring you up to date.

Extensive anti-corrosion program. Depending on the light-duty truck you select, many of the following anti-corrosion materials and treatments have been incorporated into it. Here are the basic elements:

- GREATER USE OF CORROSION-RESISTANT STEELS. FOR 1979, MORE ZINCROMETAL[®], MORE ZINC ALLOY STEEL, MORE ZINC-PLATED PARTS ARE USED THAN LAST YEAR PLUS AN EXTENSIVE USE OF GALVANIZED STEEL.
- ZINC-RICH ANTI-CORROSION PRIMERS. THESE ARE HAND-SPRAYED ON CRITICAL AREAS BEFORE FINAL PRIMING.
- FINAL PRIMING. THE ENTIRE BODY IS EITHER SPRAYED OR DIPPED.
- FINISH PAINTING. THAT BEAUTIFUL FINISH IS TOUGH, BAKED-ON ACRYLIC ENAMEL.
- ALUMINIZED WAX PRESERVATIVE. APPLIED TO CRITICAL LOWER BODY INNER SURFACES TO HELP RESIST CORROSION FROM ROAD SALT.
- EXTENSIVE WEATHERPROOFING. INCLUDES THE LIBERAL USE OF WEATHERSTRIPPING, SEALING COMPOUNDS AND RUBBER GASKETS, AND A FLUSH-AND-DRY SYSTEM FOR DOUBLE-WALLED AREAS.

Tough Chevy Pickups



4WD available. Chevy offers 4-wheel drive on all K series Pickups, Suburbans, Blazers, and LUV.

Chery Crew Cab

Chery Fleetside Sport

Chery Fleetside Big Dooley



Silverado. The most luxurious interior available for Chevy pickups.

They're built tough and roomy to carry big payloads. And with a broad range of styles and capacities and a variety of seating and window arrangements, Chevy Vans are adaptable to a great many uses, both personal and business.

Long inside, short outside. You get nearly ten feet of clear space between engine housing and rear doors of 110"-wheelbase Chevy Van. The 125"-wheelbase model packs nearly 12 feet and

offers up to 296 cu. ft. of cargo space.

Tight turning circle. To help you slip through the tight spots, the curb-to-curb turning diameter on the 110"-wheelbase Chevy Van is only 41.2 ft. Our longer 125"-wheelbase model needs only 45.9 ft., curb to curb.

Computer-matched brake systems. Like all Chevy trucks, front disc brakes and finned drum rear brakes

are incorporated into complete braking systems which are computer-matched to the GVWR of the truck.

Comfortable seating up front.

Comfort is standard with every Chevy Van and Cutaway Van chassis. Foam-cushioned driver's front bucket seat and available passenger seat are all-vinyl upholstered. And there's plenty of front leg room. Custom reclining swivel buckets are included in the Caravan, available in

Nomad and also with available Beauville interior trim. Four-place reclining swivel bucket seats—two up front, two behind—are also available for Nomad.

Great for people or payloads.

Chevy Vans offer a broad selection of models and seating arrangements. Some of them are shown and described below.

Many vehicles in this catalog are shown with available factory-installed options, dealer accessories and specialized equipment from various independent suppliers.

Tough Chevy Vans



Chevy Van Sport



Chevy Sportvan—seats up to 12. All models come with two front bucket seats and a three-passenger, quick-release rear bench seat as standard. Additional seating available.



Chevy Nomad—room for people and payloads. Plenty of seating, plenty of load space. High-back bucket seats up front, removable bench type behind. Plywood paneled rear cargo area.



Chevy Caravan—for carrying or entertaining. Comes with insulated full-length plywood paneling in the rear cargo area and on doors. Reclining swivel bucket seats and 14" translucent roof tent are standard.

Looks like a wagon. Works like a truck.

We call it Superwagon. Chevy Suburban can seat up to nine with available seating or tote 144 cu. ft. of cargo without it. (Available third seat is easily removed and available second seat folds flush.) With recommended trailering equipment*, it can move up to 15,000 lbs. of trailer, cargo, passengers and itself. That's far more than an ordinary wagon.

Chevy tough truck features.

Suburban's got 'em including Massive Girder Beam front suspension on 2WD models, computer-matched brake system, double-wall body and sheet metal construction in important areas, 1979 get-tough anti-corrosion program and a whole lot more.



Even with available third seat installed, there's 35 cu. ft. for cargo.

4WD available. Available full-time 4-wheel drive is the system you get when you order the automatic transmission on K models. Conventional 4WD with free-wheeling hubs available when manual transmission is ordered on K models.

**7000-pound-capacity weight-distributing hitch platform available through Chevrolet. Larger capacity platforms available from outside sources.*

Chevy Blazer. 4WD and 2WD models available.

Blazer can be ordered as a four-wheeler with either available full-time 4WD or conventional 4WD. There is also a 2WD model. All Blazers come with a steel roof up front and a removable fiberglass-reinforced plastic top in back. Available convertible models have a folding fabric top in back.

Blazer 4WD systems. The full-time four-wheel drive allows you to remain in 4WD both on and off the road. When available automatic transmission is ordered on K models, full-time 4WD is included. You get good traction off road, good tracking on road without shifting into or out of 4WD. Conventional 4WD with free-wheeling hubs is available when manual transmission is ordered.



Blazer interiors. High-back front bucket seats are standard in Blazer. A fold-up rear bench seat is available. The available Cheyenne interior shown above includes among other things a choice of Custom vinyl or Custom cloth seats, front console, gage-type instrumentation, front door and rear sidewall trim panels, color-keyed carpeting and brushed bright metal trim.

Tough Suburban & Blazer



Chevy Suburban



Chevy Blazer

Chevy LUV. LUV pickups are made in Japan for Chevrolet. They feature torsion bar front suspension, 4-speed gear box, power front disc/rear drum brakes. A 7½-ft. pickup box is available, the longest of any small-sized pickup. This model has a GVWR of 4150 lbs. For 1979, 4WD will be available*.



*Chevy LUV
*4WD Chevy LUVs not
available until approximately
December, 1978.*

Chevy El Camino. Looks more like a passenger car than a truck, yet it will haul up to 800 lbs. of cargo in the roomy 6½-ft. pickup box. Properly equipped, El Camino can also tow up to a 5000-lb. trailer. El Camino is available in four distinctive versions, and a wide range of options is available.



Chevy El Camino



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