

2008 General Motors Light Commercial Vehicle Body Application Guide



Vehicles shown have been altered or upfitted with equipment supplied by independent suppliers. See the Owner Manual for information on alterations and warranties.

How Do I Buy a Commercial Vehicle?

Start by providing your Sales Consultant with detailed answers to these questions:

- What set of tasks do you have in mind for the vehicle?
- What kind of body (platform, stake, van, etc.) do you want on the vehicle?
- Do you know what length this specialty body needs to be? Did you have a previous vehicle used for this job? Was its capacity sufficient? Was it too long or too short? How would you improve on it now?
- What is the weight of the specialty body that you'll be using?
- Can you provide other specifications for your existing specialty body? Who is the manufacturer? What's the model number?
- Do you need a recommendation for a new, GM-approved specialty body supplier?
- What is the maximum payload weight that you'll be hauling?

- Will you add a rear liftgate, snow plow or other significant equipment that will affect payload capacity and weight distribution?
- If applicable, do you prefer a Regular Cab, Extended Cab or Crew Cab chassis?
- Will you choose a gas or diesel engine?
- Do you want an automatic or manual transmission?
- Do you have a top-heavy application or severe duty application such as a dump, tanker, refuse packer or high-capacity crane?

Answering these questions will put you and your Sales Consultant on the right track to selecting the GM vehicle that's a perfect fit for the job. If you don't understand a term, be sure to look it up in the Glossary of Truck Terms, near the end of this Guide.