

What are the “recirculation” and “fresh air mode” buttons on a vehicle’s air conditioner for?

There are two buttons on a car’s air conditioner. One is the “recirculation” button, and the other is the “fresh air mode” button.

What is “recirculation mode”?



Recirculation is used is to circulate the air inside the car.

Selecting this button closes an air duct in the front of the car so that the air from outside the car does not enter the car.

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What is “fresh air mode”?



Selecting this button introduces outside air into the car by opening an air duct in the front of the vehicle.

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