

# Download Chevy Truck Manual Transmission History

The GM Hydra-Matic was a success and installed in the majority of GM models by 1950. Through the 1950s, all makers were working on their own automatic transmission, with four more developed inside GM alone. All of GM's early automatic transmissions were replaced by variants of the Turbo-Hydramatic by the 1970s. Manual transmissions were the standard on most vehicle for the first half of the 20th century, but automatic transmissions were being developed as far back as 1904. General Motors introduced the clutchless automatic transmission under the moniker, Hydra-Matic, in 1938, but the first true fully automatic transmission didn't appear until 1948 with the Buick Dynaflo transmission. The first generation of Chevy C/K trucks began in 1960 and ran through 1966. A "C" truck designated 2-wheel drive, rear of course, while "K" designated a 4-wheel drive. Resurrecting a Three-Speed Manual Trans With Hurst and Hays. It seems that every time we hear about somebody picking up a GM truck with three-on-the-tree, that manual three-speed box is the first ...