

Perhaps some of you are new to the C5 or the C6 or even new to the Corvette. One thing that is a constant source of concern is the seemingly unending drain on the battery when the car is parked and not driven for a long time. You see, the C5/C6 Corvette is a power hog. The Corvette's computers are constantly working even when the car is shut off and parked in the garage. Something is always talking to something in the car; we just don't hear it or see it working.

According to the owners manual if your car is going to sit for more than two weeks you should put it on some sort of supplemental charging source. In reality, that period of down time is somewhere between 7 to 14 days depending on the ambient temperature.

As you probably know, batteries just aren't made to go dead then recharged often as almost always it results in a dead cell or two and then the battery is in a constant downward trend waiting to bite you when you least expect it. Failing to heed the "charging warning" may result in your being greeted with the dreaded dead battery.

So, how do you fix this issue? It is a relatively simple and inexpensive solution; use a battery charger that will regulate/trickle the amount of charge going into the battery depending on the state of the battery.

One of the most notable and widely used battery chargers used by many Corvette enthusiasts is the "Battery Tender Plus" or "Battery Tender Junior." They are dependable, small, and do exactly what we need them to do to avoid the dead battery issue(s) in our cars during long down times. If the battery is low it charges then puts itself into a maintenance stage constantly monitoring the state of the idle battery in the car and providing charge as necessary. Simple and trust me, very effective.

Where do you get such a beast? Our sponsor O'Reilly Auto Parts on Salt Lick road in St. Peters!

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Happy motoring!

Bob and Chuck



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