

# NOW CHEVROLET Task-Force TRUCKS FOR 1956

The Biggest, Most Powerful Trucks Ever Offered by Chevrolet



# Fresh, Functional, Work-Styled Beauty . . . More Colorful Inside and Out

One design for Light-Duty—One for Medium-Duty

—Another for Heavy-Duty

Each 1956 Chevrolet Task-Force Truck has the distinctive styling that is best suited to its proportions and the work it is designed to do.

FLITE-RIDE DE LUXE CAB is work-styled and comfortstyled with the driver and the job in mind. Insulated against sound and weather it provides the utmost in comfort and safety. Wide choice of colors.

PANORAMIC WINDSHIELD gives maximum frontal visibility. Big door windows and large rear windows provide nearly complete all around visibility.

HIGH-LEVEL VENTILATION A constant stream of cool outside air comes in through the high-level intake located just below the windshield away from road heat, fumes and dust.

CONCEALED SAFETY STEPS are an important safetyplus item. Ice and snow cannot form on them because the steps are covered when the cab doors are closed.



VENTIPANES may be partially opened to draw out stale air or opened wide to force air in.

NU-FLEX SEAT Jack-stringer springs and automatic anti-rebound valves provide restful seat comfort.

FOAM RUBBER SEAT PAD\* for all cabs with Nu-Flex seats is available for additional comfort.

AIRMATIC SEAT\* with Foam Rubber Seat Pad. Instead

of springs, two rubber compartments are inflated by manually operated air pumps—permitting individual adjustment.

FULL-VIEW REAR WINDOW\* Blind spots are eliminated in the corners of the cab.

FLITE-RIDE CUSTOM CAB\* Many additional features for comfort, safety and convenience are offered with a choice of many 2-tone exteriors with harmonizing 2-tone interior fabric and paint combinations.

SPARKLING CHROME\* is available to enhance the appearance of Series 3000 models.

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# New 56 CHEVROLET Task-Force TRUCKS BRING ...



# The New Powerhouse Loadmaster V8

It bristles with power equal to the toughest jobs anywhere. Its tremendous 195 horsepower is developed through the 322-cubic-inch displacement and 7.7 to 1 compression ratio. It is the most powerful engine in Chevrolet's history-a bruiser for rugged extra-heavy-duty jobs. Standard

### New Short Stroke V8 Engines for Every Model

TRADEMASTER V8-Brilliant new 155 horsepower gives smooth, quiet, effortless power with exceptional economy. Four quarts of oil only are needed for the lubrication system. Optional Series 3000 and 4000.

TASKMASTER V8-A masterpiece for extra-heavy hauling, with valve rotators, chrome piston rings, positive crankcase ventilation and optional Full-flow oil filter. This ultra-modern 265-cubic-inch V8 produces 155 horsepower. Standard Series 5000, 7000 and 8000, optional Series 4000 and 6000.

"TURBO-FIRE V8"-Smooth, quiet and powerful, it is precision engineered with 162 horsepower for time-saving performance, 170 with Powerglide.\*

"SUPER TURBO-FIRE V8"\*-Combining such advanced features as the ultrahigh 9.25 to 1 compression, four-barrel carburetion and high-lift camshaft, 205 horsepower is produced for unsurpassed performance and economy. Optional Sedan Delivery.

### Chevrolet's Famous Valve-in-Head Sixes Proved and Approved by the Millions

THRIFTMASTER-The high compression ratio of 8.0 to 1 and 140 horsepower give excellent economy, resulting in efficient power for fast acceleration and smooth, quiet operation. Standard Series 3000 and 4000.

THRIFTMASTER SPECIAL-For Forward Control trucks. A special updraft carburetor, positive crankcase ventilation and 8.0 to 1 compression are

THRIFTMASTER HEAVY-DUTY-Great durability is built into this rugged 140horsepower engine with chrome plated top piston rings and special alloy-steel valves with valve rotators which minimize deposit of scale and reduce pitting.

JOBMASTER\*-for extra-heavy duty. Because the highly efficient horsepower with a peak of 148 is developed through much of its speed range there is less need for shifting into the lower transmission gears. Thus high average road speeds are maintained. Optional Series 6000.

"BLUE-FLAME" - Here's proved and economical power with new 8.0 to 1 compression, high-lift camshaft and many other features for thrifty, dependable operation. Standard Sedan Delivery.

12-VOLT ELECTRICAL SYSTEM-All power plants are sparked by the 12-volt battery. Generator performance is improved, spark plugs last longer, and engines start quickly in any weather.

# New Performance New Haul-Ability



# The Right Transmission Tailored for Every Task

#### NEW CHEVROLET POWERMATIC

a completely new heavy-duty automatic drive

There's nothing like it in the entire industry! Revolutionary new Powermatic combines the convenience and proved efficiency of fully automatic shifting, the mile-after-mile economy of direct-drive cruising, and the extra safety of a powerful built-in hydraulic retarder! Three specialized drive ranges, six fully automatic forward speeds, and a high-efficiency torque converter permit a range from a low-low 14.8:1 to locked-in 1:1 direct drive. Power take-off openings on both sides simplify special equipment installation—an exclusive Powermatic feature. Optional\* on all Series 5000 through 10000, except school bus models.

### The proved and reliable Hydra-Matic now available on all models through 11/2-Ton nominal rating, Series 3000 and 4000

Millions of truck miles have proved the rugged dependability of this four-speed automatic transmission. Economical operation is realized with remarkably low maintenance costs.

### 2 New 5-Speed Transmissions

A new 5-speed transmission is optional\* on Series 5000 through 8000, standard on Series 9000 and 10000.

A new heavy-duty 5-speed transmission is optional\* on Series 9000 and 10000.

These transmissions are especially advantageous for trucks consistently carrying or hauling heavy loads or operating in hilly country. The wide choice of gear ratios available permits the engine to operate in a narrower speed range. Such operation reduces fuel consumption.

# Chevrolet's Synchro-Mesh Transmissions

Proved in millions of miles of service-the primary features are smooth meshing. Rounded gear teeth resist chipping which contribute to easy shifts without double-clutching. Three-speed standard Series 3000 except Series 3800. Three-speed heavy-duty optional Series 3000. Four-speed standard Series 3800 through 8000. Optional\* on all other 3000 Series.

OVERDRIVE\* with 4.11 to 1 rear axle ratio reduces engine revolutions at cruising speeds, and saves gas, oil and engine wear. Optional\* on Model 1508 and Series 3100 and 3200.

POWERGLIDE\* a fully automatic 2-speed with torque converter, is ideal in traffic. It saves time, reduces driver fatigue and eliminates clutch repairs. Optional in Sedan Deliveries.

#### **New More Powerful Brakes**

NEW AIR-OVER-HYDRAULIC POWER BRAKES\*-provide high braking power for maximum braking ease and control. The compressed air source can also be used for trailer brakes. Optional Series 7-8-9 and 10000.

TWIN-ACTION AND TORQUE-ACTION Service Brakes utilize the forward motions of the wheels to increase braking effectiveness.

PROPELLER SHAFT PARKING BRAKES-standard with 4-speed and 5-speed transmissions all Series except 3100 and 3200. The heaviest loaded vehicle is held securely on any grade.



# **Brawny Triple-Torque Tandem Options**

for Models 10403, 10503 and 10703 provide Gross Vehicle Weights up to 32,000 pounds, GCW's up to 50,000 pounds

Greater Traction-Extra Pulling Power-More Uniform Tire Loading-Smoother Ride.

Eight high-capacity tires under the load provide tremendous load-carrying ability with greater traction for the toughest off-the-road operation.

A built-in 3-speed power divider allows the driver to select the proper operating ratio and in combination with the 5-speed transmission provides 15 forward and three reverse power combinations.

The rear-most axle can be engaged or disengaged to accommodate the heavy loads or the light return runs for greatest economy.

The unique rear springs need no lubrication.

True tire tracking on curves, reduces tire wear due to scuffing and dragging.

## Rear Axles are Geared to the Road for any Load

Single-unit housings on all Chevrolet truck rear axles are virtually tubular steel beams that provide tremendous strength. There are no bolts or rivets to work loose.

Chevrolet Truck Rear Axles are engineered to exceed the maximum carrying capacity of the tires.

SINGLE SPEED REAR AXLES have capacity at the ground up to new and higher 18000 pounds.

TWO-SPEED REAR AXLES are optional\* on all Series 4000 through 10000 except tandems.

The low range increases the pulling power to haul the heaviest loads while the high range provides excellent economy for the light loads or empty return runs.

FRONT AXLES are rugged, drop-forged I-beam design which give stable front-end support with good maneuverability.

SPRINGS are tailored to load ratings for stability and riding comfort.

A double wrapped eye is an important safety measure.

TUBELESS TIRES Greater blow-out and puncture protection are basic features. Now standard on all models. Fewer parts in the wheel and tire assembly reduce weight and simplify maintenance.

BALL-GEAR STEERING Recirculating steel balls reduce friction between the worm and the nut, coupled with the favorable wheelbase of Chevrolet trucks, provide quick maneuverability.

POWER STEERING\* provides up to 80 % of the steering effort and drivers can maneuver their trucks more easily on tight turns or the straightaway.

DIAPHRAGM SPRING CLUTCH The unique design of 18 steel fingers provides an ideal and evenly distributed pressure for smooth, safe clutch engagement in light- and medium-duty operation (except Series 5000).

COIL SPRING CLUTCH is provided when extra-heavy duty work is necessary. It meets the demands of the high-powered V8 engines and the hard clutch usage associated with rugged and tough hauling.

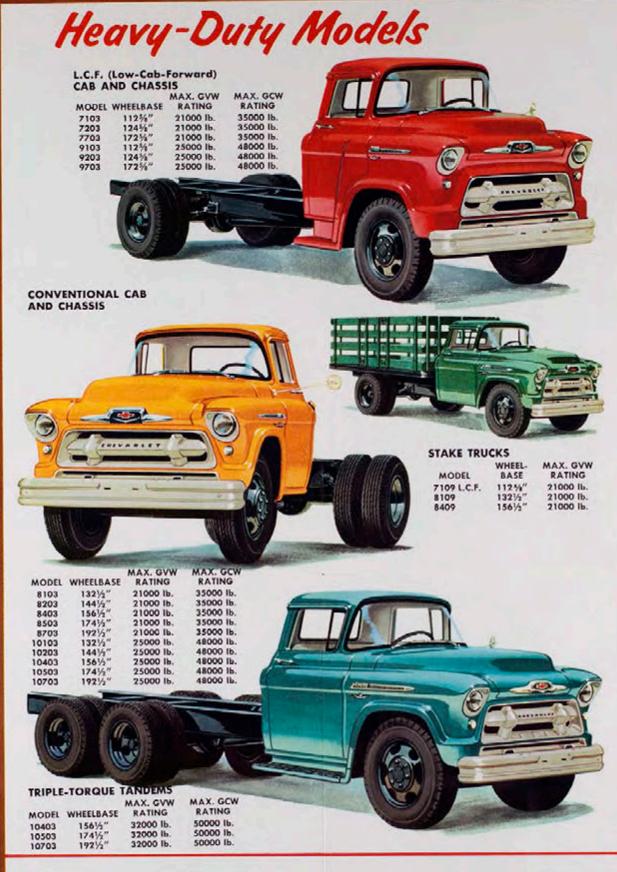
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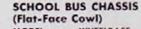
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WHEELBASE RATING

5000 lb. 6900 lb. 8800 lb.







(Flat-Face Cowl)
MODEL WHEELBASE
4502 154"
6702 194"
6802 220"

9ASSENGERS 30 to 60 42 to 48 48 to 54 60





