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*Sturdy, stylish  
Step-Vans for '59!  
—smooth-lined bodies  
on tough-built  
Forward Control  
chassis,  
supplied by Chevrolet  
as one complete unit!*



DIMENSIONS FOR SERIES 30 STEP-VANS



MODEL	WB	HA	CB
3445	104	187 $\frac{1}{2}$	81
3545	125	212 $\frac{1}{2}$	111
3745	137	237 $\frac{1}{2}$	141

HERE'S THE LATEST in door-to-door delivery vehicles—Forward Control trucks by Chevrolet that come to you completely equipped and ready for work with handsome, spacious bodies and a chassis that's built to last in tough service! Three Step-Van models are available for '59, to meet owners' needs in a wide variety of businesses, such as bakeries, air express service, carpet stores, confectioners, dairies, dry cleaners, florists, groceries, laundries and many more! Model 3445, with 104-inch wheelbase, is equipped with 8-foot body; Model 3545, with 125-inch wheelbase, offers a 10-foot body; and model 3745, with 137-inch wheelbase, provides a 12-foot body. The neat, snappy appearance of a Chevrolet Step-Van is sure to appeal to your pride and its modern engineer-

ing features assure performance you can count on as well as economy that will put you dollars to the good on each day's deliveries. Thrifty power is provided by a newly improved Thriftmaster Special 6 engine; smooth, dependable frequent-stop handling is assured by a transmission selection that includes standard 3-speed Synchro-Mesh, or a choice of 3 (optional at extra cost) transmissions, heavy-duty 3-speed Synchro-Mesh, heavy-duty 4-speed Synchro-Mesh and Hydra-Matic automatic drive. Step-Van G.V.W.'s start at 5,600 lbs. with standard equipment. With extra-cost options such as dual rear wheels, larger tires, optional transmission, heavier springs, and 7,200-lb. capacity rear axle the G.V.W. goes all the way up to 10,000 lbs.!

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**THREE VERSATILE SERIES 30 FORWARD CONTROL CHASSIS MODELS FOR '59!** Here are light-duty door-to-door delivery chassis you can count on for fast, smooth performance at low cost every day in the week! Standard G.V.W. is 5,500 lbs., and with extra-cost options such as dual rear wheels, heavier springs, larger tires, heavy-duty transmission and 7,200-lb. capacity rear axle, the G.V.W. rating goes up to 10,000 lbs.! With three wheelbases, 104", 125", and 137", these models are designed for use with many kinds of bodies in this weight class. Extra savings on every delivery stem from the standard 135-h.p. Thriftmaster Special 6, an engine that's famous for its economy and dependability. And new Scanners, including a new high-efficiency camshaft design, make this powerplant even thrifter for '59! Every Chevrolet Forward Control chassis component is designed to stand the strain of stop-and-go driving; the durable diaphragm spring clatch, the standard 3-speed Synchro-Mesh transmission, and the optional (extra-cost) heavy-duty 3-speed and 4-speed Synchro-Mesh transmissions and heavy-duty Hydra-Matic.

**TWO BIG SERIES 60 FORWARD CONTROL MODELS FOR '59!** These large chassis models are built to haul tons of cargo from door to door and save you time, work and money as they do it! Their long wheelbases (129 1/2" and 153 1/2") are ideally suited for large single-unit or cub and van bodies of many types. High G.V.W.'s—14,000 lbs. with standard equipment and up to 18,000 lbs. with extra-cost options—offer assurance that you can pack big, money-making loads with maximum strain on truck parts. Power, too, is designed for big-ounce hauling; the 150-h.p. Jobmaster 6 is a proved worker that's made to order for low-cost performance on your toughest routes! With 8.0 to 1 compression ratio, new thermostatic by-pass cooling, new full-flow oil filter and 261 cubic inches of displacement, it's the finest of modern truck 6's. Other standard components provided in Series 60 Forward Control models for '59 include 4-speed Synchro-Mesh transmission, dual rear wheels, 15,000-lb. capacity rear axle, and tough built 11-inch coil spring clatch.



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# 1959 Chevrolet Step-Van and Forward Control chassis models

## THRIFTIER 6-CYLINDER ENGINES!



**1959 THRIFTMASTER SPECIAL 6**, standard in Step-Van models 3445, 3545, 3745, and Forward Control chassis models 3442, 3542 and 3742. Here, for fast, efficient stop-and-go delivery service, is a new and even thriftier edition of the most widely used engine in trucking history! Specially adapted for use in Forward Control trucks, this famous powerplant is now set for even bigger savings with new features which include a new camshaft design that boosts efficiency and torque in the normal operating range. High 8.25 to 1 compression ratio is another fuel-saving factor, and there's plenty of hard-working power, with horsepower rated at 135.



**1959 JOBMASTER 6**, standard in Forward Control models 5242 and 6642. It takes a lot of engine to stand up to the grueling work these trucks are built to do—and the Jobmaster is a lot of engine! For '59, there's even more of the Jobmaster's famous brand of thriftiness and dependability. There's 150 h.p. with high torque, 261 cubic inches of displacement and 8.9 to 1 compression ratio, plus new thermostatic by-pass cooling, new full-flow oil filter, and low-maintenance valve-in-head design! The Jobmaster (like the Thriftmaster Special 6 discussed above) also comes equipped with forged steel crankshaft, precision bearings, and an octane selector which aids economy by allowing the distributor to be set for whatever type of fuel you use.

## TOUGH TRUCK CHASSIS COMPONENTS!



### HUSKY I-BEAM FRONT AXLES

Constructed of forged steel, they give good road clearance and contribute to steering alignment and stable front end during years of hard use. Series 30 models provide a 4,000-lb.-capacity axle as standard equipment. Standard on Series 60 is 4,500-lb.-capacity axle, 7,000-lb.-capacity wide tread front axle is optional (extra cost) on Series 60 models for high tonnage hauling. It adds to maneuverability and helps boost G.V.W. to a high 18,000 lbs.



### BIG, SAFE BRAKES

Chevrolet Torque-Action brakes, in Series 30 models and at front wheels of Series 60, are energized by wheel rotation for sure stopping power on down-slope hauls. Big, safe Twice-Action brakes are provided at the rear wheels of Series 60 models. Hydraulic power brakes, standard in Series 60 and optional at extra cost in Series 30, make braking amazingly easy, yet give natural brake feel for utmost safety.



### EASY BALL GEAR STEERING

Standard on all Forward Control models, Ball Gear steering gives exceptional handling ease and quick response. Scores of ball bearings minimize friction, giving smooth but stable steering action that saves time and effort on busy delivery routes. Handling rate is enhanced, also, by the short turning radius of Chevy Forward Control trucks. It's the result of short wheelbase and wide-track front axle.



### RESILIENT LONG-LEAF SPRINGS

Tough semi-elliptic springs rated at 2,000 lbs. each (front) and 2,400 lbs. each (rear) cushion the load in Series 30 Forward Control chassis models and Step-Vans. Heavy-duty rear springs, standard on 60 Series, with main and auxiliary sections, provide a capacity of 6,750 lbs. each. They are built to combine riding comfort with hauling strength.

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