

# A Huge Step Forward - The 2006 Corvette

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The 2006 Corvette is an awesome car, it's in my opinion; the best work that Chevrolet has done on a Corvette since the 1960's, and they deserve some kudos for it, I'm an out and out right Chevoholic who's passion in life is the old muscle cars, but this car deserves some serious respect, it's got what it takes to keep up with most of the Vettes from the 1960's.

After running a few software based test using the weight and horsepower of the 2006 ZO6 Corvette, it has really impressed me, and that is no easy task, if the car has the advertised horsepower at the fly wheel it should be capable of an 11.969 in the ¼ mile, and that is impressive, it's as impressive as the Viper has ever been, and it does this, and is still one of the best handling cars on the planet, according to the skid pad tests.

The ZO6 Corvette has pulled a 1.2G rating on the skid pad, which means that at full acceleration it would take 1.2 times the weight of the car to slide it 1 inch side ways, and other impressive number, the ZO6 continues to spit out those impressive numbers, the next spec that I'll discuss is the 0-60 time of this car, which happens to be 3.4 seconds, not a weak number at all, most of the European cars won't beat that number.

So when you get these morons that think they can hammer you, just because they happen to own a BMW, Mercedes, or some other import car, well probably not in the ¼ mile, not on a road track, and most certainly not on the skid pad, the ZO6 Corvette is a true super car, it just happens to be designed so the ordinary person can afford to buy one and drive it, it happens to a fine automobile with a lot going for it.

Just wait until Chevrolet gets in to the second and third generation of this car, and see what they do, they are best at coming up with new and impressive ideas, wile still keeping the car in an affordable price range, can you even imagine what an import, that can do what the ZO6 does would cost you to buy, it would not be in the \$60,000 range, and that's where the Corvette is, you just try to name me one import car with the same performance level and excitement level of the Corvette for the same money, impossible HUH?

The ZO6 is truly a car for the masses, a car that a muscle car man would enjoy driving and a car that a sports car man would be very happy with, really it's a car that any car nut would be happy to own and drive, I know that I would, with the limited first production run of these cars, it was very hard to get one though, with only the platinum Chevrolet dealers getting them, and even at that rate, they only got one or two of them each, and in this town, the owners of the dealerships took them home.

Here's a word for all of you nay Sayers, the ZO6 Corvette is no easy target, at the 24 hours of Lemans last year it came in first and second over all respectively, that was above Porsche, BMW, and a few more of the so called better and more advanced cars on the market, if this were the case, then you'd think that they'd have no problem beating the Corvette down, but they do, and it will continue to be that way.

Because Chevrolet has a relentless desire to win, and no matter what you think of the Corvette, it is a winning race car, and it has been for a long time, it will keep doing it as long as Chevrolet keeps working on the performance aspects of it, Chevy is the master at squeezing more power out of an engine, and they have been for a long time, regardless of what you might think, it's a proven fact that Chevrolet has built the engines with the most wins in this country. I've been in the automotive business for about 20 or 25 years, I have worked in all facets of the industry, from parts to restoration, all different makes and models, I just want to keep people interested in the old cars because it's where my heart is.

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