

42175 - Vehicle Wiring Installation Instructions Jeep Patriot without Tow 2008-11 Dodge Durango 2011 Dodge Grand Caravan 2008-11 Chrysler Town & Country 2008-11 Dodge Caliber 2008-11

- 1. (Jeep Patriot / Dodge Durango) Open the tailgate and remove the vehicles driver's side and passenger side taillight assemblies by removing the two clips holding both taillight assemblies in place. Carefully pry both housings away from the vehicle, being careful not to break the alignment tabs.
- 2. (Dodge Caravan / Chrysler Town & Country) Open the rear tailgate to access the screws that hold the taillights in place. Remove the T-30 Torx screws and carefully pry the taillight housings rearward away from the vehicle, being careful not to break the alignment tabs.
- On the Driver's side, disconnect the vehicle wiring harness from the taillight socket. Plug the Hopkins[®] T-Connector end with the yellow wire in-between the mating plugs on the driver's side taillight socket and vehicle wiring harness.
- 4. On the driver's side, route the T-Connector end with green wire down thru the opening below the taillight assembly and behind the bumper to the passenger side. Route T-Connector end with the green wire up through the opening below the taillight assembly and attach in-between the mating plugs on the passenger side taillight assembly.
- 5. Route the 4-way flat harness below the taillight assembly to either side of the receiver hitch and secure it with nyties. (provided)
- 6. On the driver's side, locate and secure the T-Connector black converter box with ny-ties (provided) to prevent damage or rattling and being careful to avoid areas that would cut or pinch the wires.
- 7. Locate a suitable grounding point near the black converter module to attach to vehicle's frame. Clean dirt, paint and rust proofing from area. Drill a 3/32" hole and secure white wire with ring terminal using self tapping screw (provided). Verify what is behind any surface prior to drilling to avoid damage to the vehicle. Do not drill into any exposed surfaces.
- 8. Attach the red power feed wire (provided) by crimping the yellow butt splice on the black converter box assembly. Route the red power feed wire to the vehicle battery, and secure to vehicle with ny-ties (provided) as needed. Route the wire being careful to avoid any hot pipes, heat shields, the fuel tank or any other points that may pinch or break the wire.
- 9. Install the fuse assembly with the yellow butt splice (provided) onto the red 12 ga. power feed wire crimping the yellow butt splice to hold it in place.
- 10. Attach the fuse assembly (provided) with yellow ring terminal to the positive 12VDC battery cable clamp bolt.
- 11. Reinstall the taillights and any other items removed during installation. Be careful to avoid any areas that could cut or pinch the wire.
- 12. Attach the 4-way flat dust cover (provided) to the 4-way flat connector.
- 13. Apply a small amount of grease (provided) to the 4-way flat terminals to prevent corrosion.
- 14. Plug completed wire harness into the trailer 4-way flat connector.
- 15. Test all functions with the engine running to ensure proper operation.

TIPS:

Grease applied to the wiring terminals on a regular basis will help prevent corrosion.

Always unplug boat trailer connector before backing trailer into the water.

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