

STEERING COLUMN SWITCHES

1988 Jeep Cherokee

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All Models

REMOVAL & INSTALLATION

TURN SIGNAL & HAZARD FLASHER SWITCHES

Removal & Installation

1) Place front wheels in straight-ahead position. Disconnect battery negative cable. Remove the steering wheel. Refer to the STEERING WHEEL & HORN REMOVAL article.

2) On models with A/T, place selector lever in "PARK" position. Remove selector lever retaining pin and lever. Using 2 screwdrivers, remove lock plate cover. On models with tilt column, remove tilt lever.

3) Using Plate Compressor (J-23653-A), compress lock plate. If shaft has metric threads, use Metric Forcing Screw (J-23653-4) prior to installing compressor on shaft. Remove and discard lock plate snap ring. Remove plate compressor

NOTE: The lock plate is under strong spring tension. DO NOT attempt to remove snap ring without using lock plate compressor.

4) Remove lock plate, canceling cam, upper bearing preload spring, spring seat and bearing race (thrust washer on some models). Depress hazard warning switch while unscrewing from column.

5) On vehicles with A/T, use a paper clip to compress lock tab retaining shift quadrant light wire in connector block. Disconnect wire. On all models, remove turn signal lever attaching screw and lever.

6) On vehicles with cruise control, disconnect 2 of 4 wires at switch connector. Fold wires back along harness. Tape wires to harness. Tape a string to harness to aid in removal.

7) Disconnect turn signal switch wire harness at bottom of steering column. Tape around turn signal switch harness connector to aid in removal. Remove turn signal switch attaching screws. Remove switch. To install, reverse removal procedure.

LOCK CYLINDER

Removal

1) Remove horn button and steering wheel. Refer to the STEERING WHEEL & HORN REMOVAL article. Remove turn signal switch. Remove key warning buzzer switch and contacts as an assembly, using needle-nose pliers.

2) On models with standard column, turn ignition lock cylinder (clockwise) 2 detent positions beyond the "OFF/LOCK" position. On models with tilt column, turn lock cylinder to "LOCK" position. On all models, compress lock cylinder retaining tab and remove lock cylinder from housing. See Fig. 1.

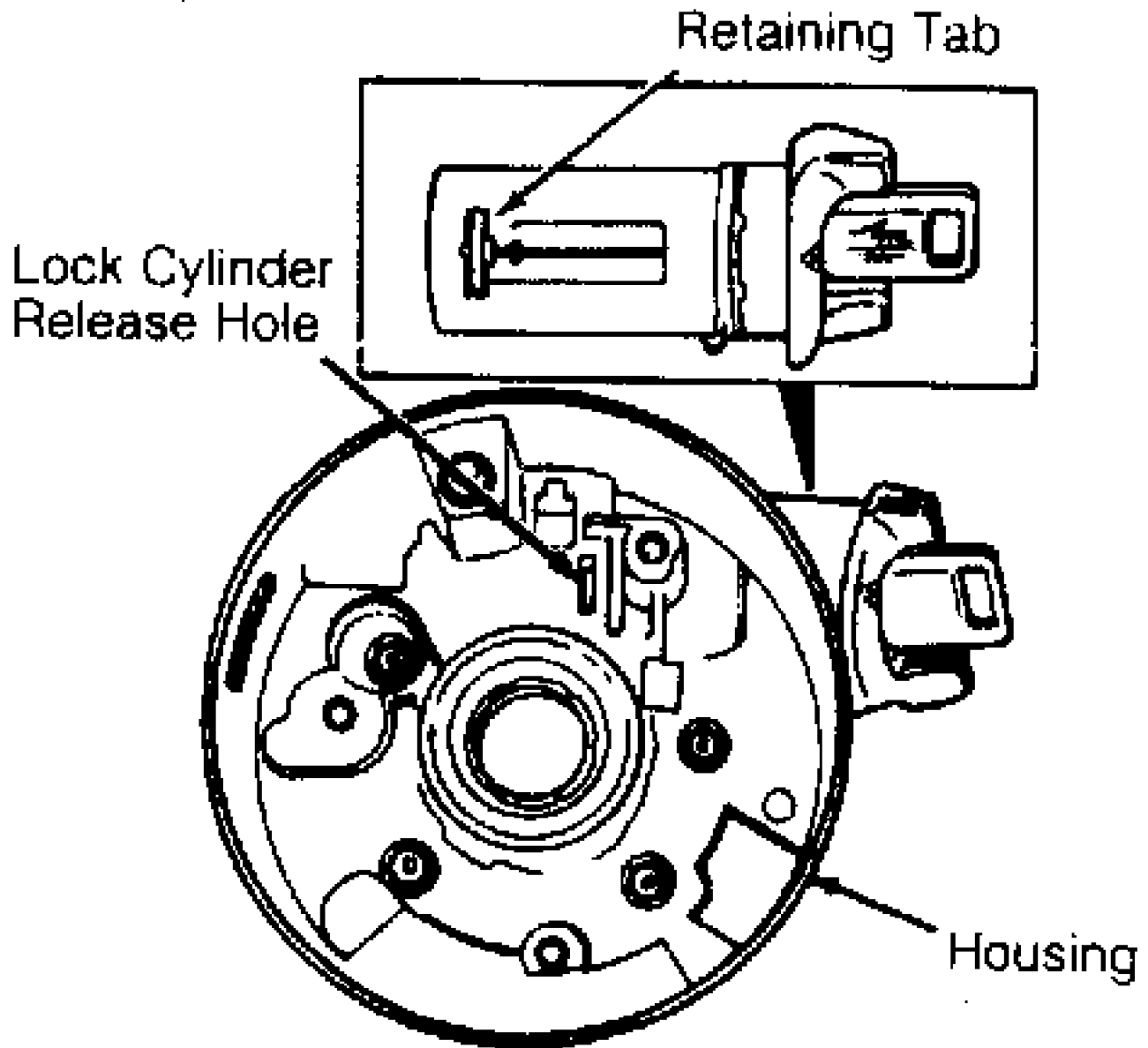


Fig. 1: Removing Jeep Lock Cylinder
 Courtesy of Chrysler Motors

Installation

1) To install, insert key in lock cylinder. Hold cylinder sleeve while turning key clockwise until key stops. Align lock cylinder retaining tab with keyway in housing. Insert cylinder into housing.

2) Push lock cylinder inward until it contacts lock sector. Rotate cylinder to engage it with lock sector. Push lock cylinder inward until cylinder retaining tab engages in housing groove. To complete installation, reverse removal procedure.

IGNITION SWITCH

Removal (Cherokee, Wagoneer & Wrangler)

Remove lower instrument panel trim panel. Insert key in lock

cylinder. Turn cylinder to "OFF-UNLOCK" position. Disconnect switch from remote rod. Disconnect harness connectors at switch. Remove switch.

Installation

Move switch slider to "ACC" position. Engage remote rod in switch slider. Position switch on column, taking care not to move slider. Hold key in "ACC" position while pushing switch down slightly to remove slack in actuator rod. Install attaching screws. Connect harness connectors.

IGNITION SWITCH

Removal (Comanche & Grand Wagoneer)

Remove lower instrument panel trim panel. Insert key in lock cylinder. Turn cylinder 2 positions beyond the "OFF-UNLOCK" position. Disconnect switch from remote rod. Disconnect harness connectors at switch. Remove switch.

Installation

Move switch slider to "ACC" position. Move switch slider back 2 clicks to "OFF-UNLOCK" position. Engage remote rod in switch slider. Position switch on column. DO NOT move slider while positioning switch. Install attaching screws. Connect harness connectors.

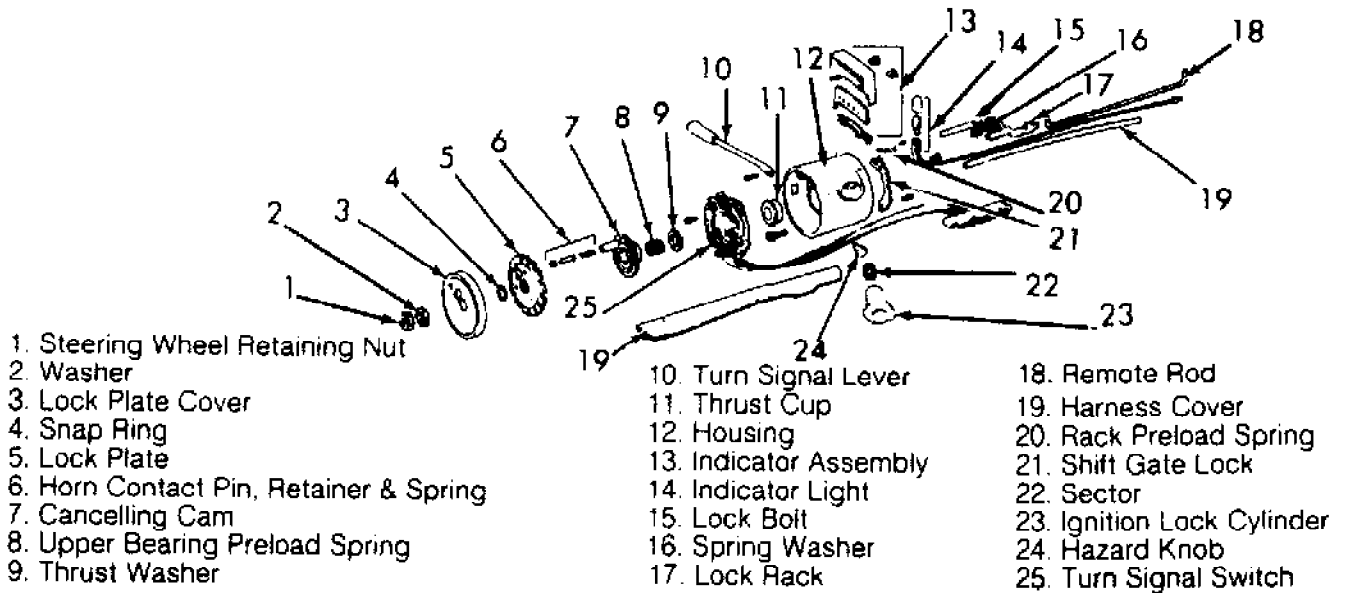


Fig. 2: Exploded View of Jeep Steering Column Switch Assemblies
 Courtesy of Chrysler Motors

TROUBLE SHOOTING

Refer to TROUBLE SHOOTING - BASIC PROCEDURES article in the GENERAL TROUBLE SHOOTING section.