DEFOGGER - REAR WINDOW

1993 Jeep Cherokee

1993 ACCESSORIES & EQUIPMENT Chrysler Corp. Rear Window Defoggers

Jeep; Cherokee, Grand Cherokee, Grand Wagoneer, Wrangler

DESCRIPTION & OPERATION

System consists of 2 vertical bus bars and horizontal rows of heating elements fused to inside of rear glass. On Cherokee, power circuit to grid is protected by fuse No. 18 (25-amp) located in fuse box. Power for relay is protected by fuse No. 8 (20-amp) located in fuse box.

On Grand Cherokee and Grand Wagoneer, power circuit to grid is protected by circuit breaker No. 28 (30-amp) located in fuse box. Power for relay is protected by fuse No. 19 (15-amp) located in fuse box. Fuse No. 23, located in fuse box, controls power to switch light and side mirrors.

On Wrangler, power circuit to grid is protected by fuse No. 6 (25-amp) located in fuse box. Power for relay is protected by fuse No. 9 (15-amp) located in fuse box.

TESTING

NOTE: For terminal identification, see appropriate chassis wiring in WIRING DIAGRAMS.

SYSTEM TESTING

1) On Wrangler, check fuses No. 6 and 9. On Cherokee, check HTD/WDW and TURN fuses. On Grand Cherokee and Grand Wagoneer, check fuses No. 19 and 23 and circuit breaker No. 28. Replace as necessary.

2) If fuses are okay, check for voltage on battery side of fuse No. 6 (Wrangler), HTD/WDW fuse (Cherokee) or fuse No. 28 (Grand Cherokee and Grand Wagoneer). If battery voltage is not present, replace maxi-fuse in Power Distribution Center (PDC) located near coolant reservoir (Cherokee) or near battery (Wrangler, Grand Cherokee and Grand Wagoneer).

3) If battery voltage is present, check ignition side of fuse No. 9 (Wrangler), TURN fuse (Cherokee) or fuse No. 19 (Grand Cherokee and Grand Wagoneer) for voltage. If battery voltage is not present, check for an open circuit from ignition switch.

DEFOGGER SWITCH TEST

Cherokee & Wrangler

 Disconnect defogger switch connector. Turn ignition switch to RUN position. Measure voltage at defogger switch connector terminal "D". About 5 volts should be present. If about 5 volts are not present, repair open circuit from relay.

2) Measure resistance across switch terminals "B" and "D". See Figs. 1 and 2. With switch button depressed, approximately zero ohms should be present. Measure resistance across switch terminals "D" and "C". With switch button depressed, zero ohms should be present. Measure resistance across switch terminals "B" and "C". Approximately zero ohms should be present.

> Grand Cherokee And Grand Wagoneer 1) Disconnect defogger switch connector. Using a jumper wire,

apply 12 volts to switch terminal No. 1. Using another jumper wire, connect terminal No. 3 of switch to ground. If switch indicator lights, go to next step. If indicator does not light, replace switch. 2) Remove jumper wires. Connect an ohmmeter between switch terminals No. 2 and 3. Depress switch. Ohmmeter should indicate 10

2) Remove jumper wires. Connect an ohmmeter between switch terminals No. 2 and 3. Depress switch. Ohmmeter should indicate 10 ohms. If ohmmeter does not indicate 10 ohms, replace switch. If ohmmeter indicates 10 ohms, check for an open circuit between terminal No. 1 and fuse No. 23, between terminal No. 3 and ground and between relay terminals No. 2 and 3.



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Fig. 1: Defogger Switch Terminal ID (Cherokee & Wrangler) Courtesy of Chrysler Motors.



Fig. 2: Defogger Switch Internal Component ID (Cherokee & Wrangler) Courtesy of Chrysler Motors.

DEFOGGER RELAY TEST

1) Disconnect defogger relay connector. Turn ignition switch to RUN position. Measure voltage at relay connector terminal No. 4 (Cherokee and Wrangler) or No. 5 (Grand Cherokee and Grand Wagoneer). Battery voltage should be present. If battery voltage is not present, repair open circuit to fuse No. 9 (Wrangler), fuse No. 19 (Grand Cherokee and Grand Wagoneer) or HTD/WDW fuse (Cherokee).

2) Measure voltage at relay connector terminal No. 4. Battery voltage should be present. If battery voltage is not present, repair open circuit from fuse No. 6 (Wrangler), TURN fuse (Cherokee) or circuit breaker No. 28 (Grand Cherokee and Grand Wagoneer).

3) Turn ignition switch to OFF position. Check resistance between relay connector terminal No. 1 and left (driver's side) of defogger grid. Zero ohms should be present. If zero ohms are not present, repair open circuit between relay connector and left side of defogger grid.

4) Measure resistance between relay connector terminal No. 2 and ground. Zero ohms should be present. If zero ohms are not present, repair open circuit between relay connector and ground.

5) Reconnect relay connector. Turn ignition switch to RUN position. Measure voltage at terminal No. 3. About 5 volts should be present. If about 5 volts are not present, replace defogger relay.

GRID POWER & GROUND TEST

1) Turn defogger on. Turn ignition switch to RUN position. Measure voltage at left (driver side) of defogger grid. Battery voltage should be present. If battery voltage is not present, repair open circuit from defogger relay.

2) Turn ignition switch to OFF position. Measure resistance from right side of defogger grid to ground. Zero ohms should be present. If zero ohms are not present, repair open circuit between right side of defogger grid and ground.

LOCATING GRID FILAMENT BREAK

1) With engine running, turn defogger switch on. Defogger light should illuminate. On inside glass surface, connect voltmeter positive lead to power feed side vertical grid element and the negative voltmeter lead to ground side of vertical grid element.

2) Voltmeter should read 11-13 volts. Connect voltmeter negative lead to a good ground. Voltmeter reading should remain constant. Using voltmeter positive lead, contact each grid at grid centerline.

3) Voltage reading should be approximately half the previous reading (about 6 volts). A reading of zero volts indicates a break in the grid between positive voltmeter lead (centerline) and ground. A reading of 12 volts indicates a break in the grid between power feed side and centerline (or positive voltmeter lead).

4) To pinpoint break, move voltmeter positive lead left or right along grid until a sudden change in voltmeter reading occurs. That indicates the exact location of grid filament break.

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GRID FILAMENT REPAIR

1) Mark location of broken or open grid on exterior surface of glass using a marking pen. Using fine steel wool, lightly rub area to be repaired inside rear window. Clean area using alcohol.

2) Place 2 strips of masking tape to inside surface of rear window, above and below break in grid. See Fig. 3. Thoroughly mix conductive epoxy. Apply epoxy on grid break, overlapping both ends of

break.

3) Carefully remove masking tape from grid line. Allow epoxy to cure 24 hours at room temperature or use a heat gun for 15 minutes. Hold gun about 10" from damaged area.



G92A01033 Fig. 3: Repairing Defogger Grid Courtesy of Chrysler Motors.

REMOVAL & INSTALLATION

DEFOGGER SWITCH

Removal & Installation (Cherokee)

Disconnect negative battery cable. Remove instrument panel bezel. Remove switch housing panel. Disconnect switch connector. Depress switch mounting tabs, and remove switch. To install, reverse removal procedure.

Removal & Installation (Grand Cherokee And Grand Wagoneer) 1) Disconnect negative battery cable. Remove ash tray. Remove 6 screws retaining center cluster bezel. Remove center bezel. Remove 2 screws holding dash pad located behind top of center bezel.

2) Pry defroster grille out of dash pad. Unplug sensors and set defroster grille aside. Remove 4 screws in defroster duct opening holding dash pad. Remove 3 screws above instrument panel cluster holding dash pad.

3) Open glove box, and remove 2 screws holding dash pad. Remove dash pad by pulling upward and unsnapping end clips. With driver's door open, remove one screw from side of lower trim panel. Remove one screw from bottom of lower trim panel and pull panel off. Ensure clip holding lower trim panel to instrument panel is disengaged.

4) Remove 4 screws holding steering column cover. Remove 3 screws holding bottom of bezels. Remove 2 screws holding top of end bezel and switch pod bezel. Remove end bezel. Remove 2 screws holding left side of switch pod bezel. Remove 3 screws holding right side of switch pod bezel.

5) Pull switch pod bezel out far enough to remove switch connectors. Disconnect connectors from each switch pod and remove bezel. Remove switch screws and switch. To install, reverse removal procedure.

Removal & Installation (Wrangler) Disconnect negative battery cable. Remove 6 instrument panel shroud screws. Slide shroud toward steering wheel. Remove 3 defogger switch bezel screws. Disconnect defogger switch connector. Squeeze ends of switch to release plastic retaining fingers. To install, reverse removal procedure.

DEFOGGER RELAY

Removal & Installation (Cherokee & Wrangler) Rear defogger relay is Red and located behind instrument panel, to right of steering column. Remove lower instrument panel trim panel. Remove relay from connector.

Removal & Installation (Grand Cherokee And Grand Wagoneer) Rear defogger relay is Red and located in relay center, in glove box. Remove relay center cover. Remove relay from connector.

WIRING DIAGRAMS

See appropriate chassis wiring diagram in WIRING DIAGRAMS.