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Installation Guide

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Warning! Safety First

- ▶ Due to the complexity of this system, installation of this product must only be performed by an authorized Directed dealer.
- ▶ When properly installed, this system can start the vehicle via a command signal from the remote control transmitter. Therefore, never operate the system in an area that does not have adequate ventilation. The following precautions are the sole responsibility of the user; however, authorized Directed dealers should make the following recommendations to all users of this system:
 1. Never operate the system in an enclosed or partially enclosed area without ventilation.
 2. When parking in an enclosed or partially enclosed area or when having the vehicle serviced, the remote start system must be disabled using the installed toggle switch.
 3. It is the user's sole responsibility to properly handle and keep out of reach from children all remote control transmitters to assure that the system does not unintentionally remote start.
 4. **THE USER MUST INSTALL A CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTOR IN OR ABOUT THE LIVING AREA ADJACENT TO THE VEHICLE. ALL DOORS LEADING FROM ADJACENT LIVING AREAS TO THE ENCLOSED OR PARTIALLY ENCLOSED VEHICLE STORAGE AREA MUST AT ALL TIMES REMAIN CLOSED.**
- ▶ Use of this product in a manner contrary to its intended mode of operation may result in property damage, personal injury, or death. Except when performing the Safety Check outlined in this installation guide, (1) Never remotely start the vehicle with the vehicle in gear, and (2) Never remotely start the vehicle with the keys in the ignition. The user will be responsible for having the neutral safety feature of the vehicle periodically checked, wherein the vehicle must not remotely start while the car is in gear. This testing should be performed by an authorized Directed dealer in accordance with the Safety Check outlined in this product installation guide. If the vehicle starts in gear, cease remote start operation immediately and consult with the user to fix the problem immediately.
- ▶ After the remote start module has been installed, test the remote start module in accordance with the Safety Check outlined in this installation guide. If the vehicle starts when performing the Neutral Safety Shutdown Circuit test, the remote start unit has not been properly installed. The remote start module must be removed or properly reinstalled so that the vehicle does not start in gear. All installations must be performed by an authorized DEI dealer. **OPERATION OF THE REMOTE START MODULE IF THE VEHICLE STARTS IN GEAR IS CONTRARY TO ITS INTENDED MODE OF OPERATION. OPERATING THE REMOTE START SYSTEM UNDER THESE CONDITIONS MAY RESULT IN PROPERTY DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY. IMMEDIATELY CEASE THE USE OF THE UNIT AND REPAIR OR DISCONNECT THE INSTALLED REMOTE START MODULE. DIRECTED WILL NOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE OR PAY FOR INSTALLATION OR REINSTALLATION COSTS.**

Installation Points to Remember

Before Beginning the Installation

IMPORTANT! This product is designed for fuel-injected, automatic transmission vehicles only. Installing it in a standard transmission vehicle is dangerous and is contrary to its intended use.

- Please read this entire installation guide before beginning the installation. The installation of this remote start system requires interfacing with many of the vehicle's systems. Many new vehicles use low-voltage or multiplexed systems that can be damaged by low-resistance testing devices, such as test lights and logic probes (computer safe test lights). Test all circuits with a high-quality digital multi-meter before making connections.
- Do not disconnect the battery if the vehicle has an anti-theft-coded radio. If equipped with an air bag, avoid disconnecting the battery if possible. Many airbag systems will display a diagnostic code through their warning lights after they lose power. Disconnecting the battery requires this code to be erased, which can require a trip to the dealer.
- Check with the customer on status LED location.
- Remove the domelight fuse. This prevents accidentally draining the battery.
- Roll down a window to avoid being locked out of the car.

Finding the Tachometer Wire

To test for a tachometer wire, a multimeter capable of testing AC voltage must be used. The tachometer wire will show between 1V and 6V AC. In multi-coil ignition systems, the system can learn individual coil wires. Individual coil wires in a multi-coil ignition system will register lower amounts of AC voltage. Also, if necessary, the system can use a fuel injector control wire for engine speed sensing.

Common locations for a tachometer wire are the ignition coil, instrument cluster, fuel injectors, or engine computers.

IMPORTANT! Do not test tachometer wires using a test light or logic probe! This will damage the vehicle.

How to find a tachometer wire with your multimeter:

1. Set to ACV or AC voltage (12V or 20V is fine).
2. Attach the (-) probe of the meter to chassis ground.
3. Start and run the vehicle.
4. Probe the wire you suspect of being the tachometer wire with the red probe of the meter.
5. If this is the correct wire the meter will read between 1V and 6V.

Finding the WAIT-TO-START Bulb Wire for Diesels

In diesel vehicles it is necessary to interface with the wire that turns on the WAIT TO START light in the dashboard. This wire illuminates the bulb until the vehicle's glow plugs are properly heated. When the light goes out the vehicle can be started. This wire is always available at the connector leading to the bulb in the dashboard. It can also be found at the Engine Control Module (ECM) in many vehicles.

To test and determine the polarity of this wire:

1. Set your multimeter to DCV or DC voltage (12 or 20V is fine).
2. Attach the (+) probe of the meter to (+)12V.
3. Probe the wire that you suspect leads to the bulb with the (-) probe of the meter.
4. Turn the ignition switch to the ON position.
5. If the meter indicates 12 volts until the light goes out you have isolated the correct wire and the wire's polarity is negative (ground while the bulb is on).
6. If the meter reads zero volts until the light goes out and then reads 12 volts, you have isolated the correct wire and the wire's polarity is positive.

After the Installation

- ▶ Test all functions. The *Using Your System* section of the Owner's Guide is very helpful when testing.
- ▶ Review and complete the *Safety Check* section of this guide prior to the vehicle reassembly.

Vehicle Anti-Theft Systems (Immobilizers)

Vehicle anti-theft systems (immobilizers) require a bypass module. The bypass module allows for easy interfacing, while still maintaining the OEM security system's integrity. For vehicle listings and required bypass, see DirectFax Document 1059, available only to authorized dealers though the technical resources listed at the front of this guide.

Primary Harness (H1) Wire Connection Guide

Primary Harness (H1) Wiring Diagram

H1/1	ORANGE	(-) 500 mA Armed Output
H1/2	WHITE	(+)/(-) Selectable Light Flash Output
H1/3	WHITE/BLUE	(-) Remote Start Activation Input
H1/4	BLACK/WHITE	(-) 200 mA Domelight Supervision Output
H1/5	GREEN	No Function
H1/6	BLUE	No Function
H1/7	VIOLET	No Function
H1/8	BLACK	(-) Chassis Ground Input
H1/9	OPEN	No Wire
H1/10	BROWN	(-) Horn Honk Output
H1/11	RED	(+) Constant Power Input
H1/12	RED/WHITE	(-) 200 mA Channel 2 Programmable Output

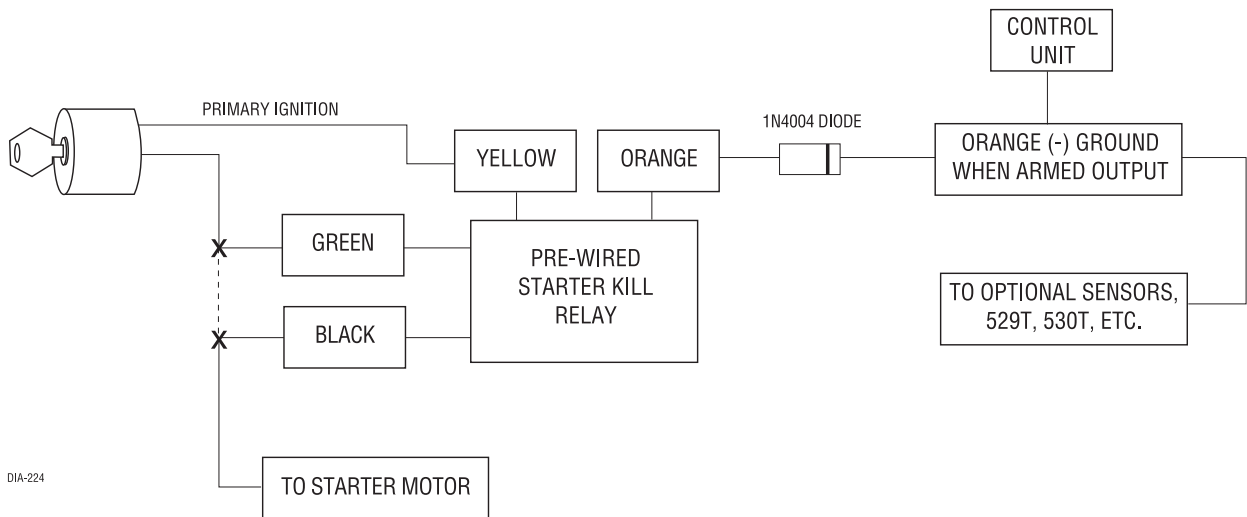
Primary Harness Wire Descriptions

H1/1 ORANGE (-) Ground-When-Armed Output

This wire supplies a (-) 500 mA ground as long as the system is armed. This output ceases as soon as the system is disarmed. The orange wire is pre-wired to control the 8618 starter kill relay.

NOTE: if using the H1/1 Orange wire to activate an add-on accessory such as window automation, pager or voice module a 1Amp diode must be installed to ensure proper operation. Insert the diode as shown in the following diagram.

IMPORTANT! Never interrupt any wire other than the starter wire.

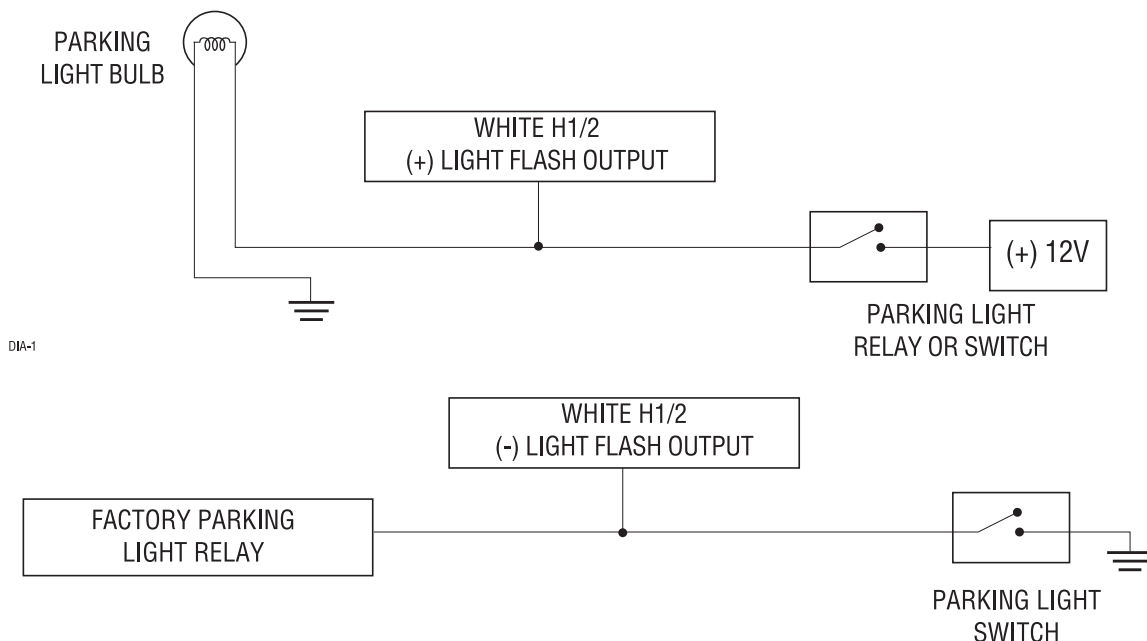


H1/2 WHITE (+/-) Selectable Light Flash Output

As shipped, this wire should be connected to the (+) parking light wire. If the light flash polarity jumper is moved to the (-) position (see the *Programming Jumper* section of this guide), this wire supplies a (-) 200 mA output. This is available for driving (-) light control wires in Toyota, Lexus, BMW, some Mitsubishi, some Mazda, and other models.

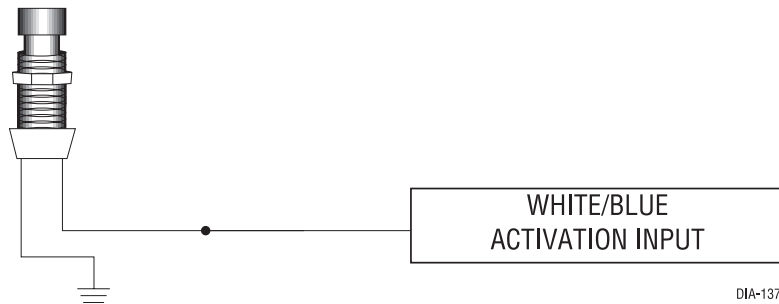
NOTE: For parking light systems that draw 10 amps or more, the jumper must be switched to a (-) light flash output. (See the *Programming Jumpers* section of this guide.) P/N 8617 or a standard automotive SPDT relay must be used on the H1/2 light flash output wire.

IMPORTANT! DO NOT connect this wire to a negative vehicle light flash wire before changing the programming jumper to the negative polarity position or damage to vehicle light circuit may occur.



H1/3 WHITE/BLUE Activation Input

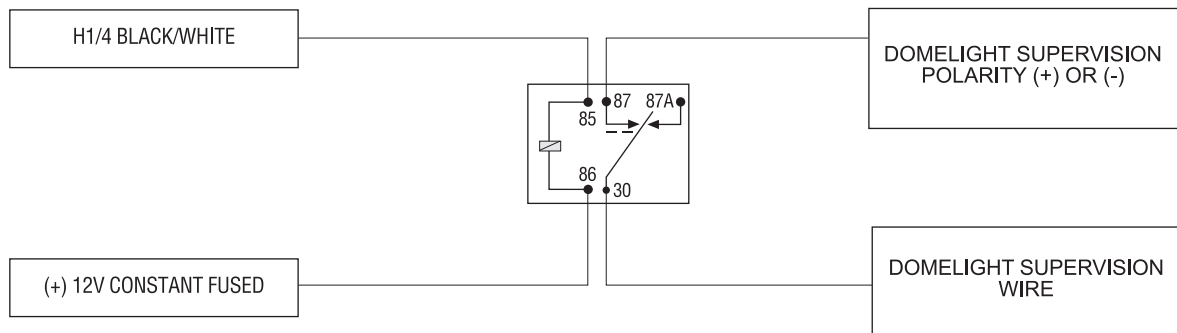
A momentary input on this wire will start or stop the motor, just as transmitting Channel 3 from the remote transmitter does. It is often connected to an optional momentary push-button switch to make activating Valet Take Over more convenient.



H1/4 BLACK/WHITE (-) 200 mA Domelight Supervision Output

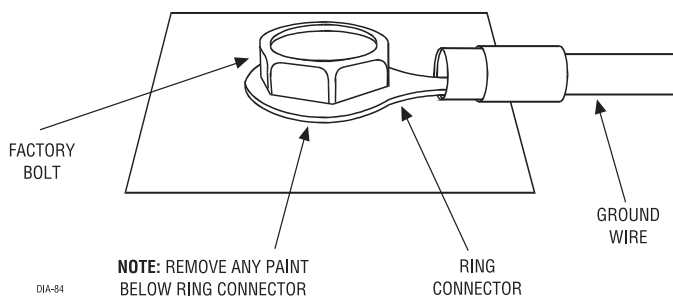
Connect this wire to the optional domelight supervision relay as shown in the following diagram:

IMPORTANT! This output is only intended to drive a relay. It cannot be connected directly to the domelight circuit, as the output cannot support the current draw of one or more bulbs.



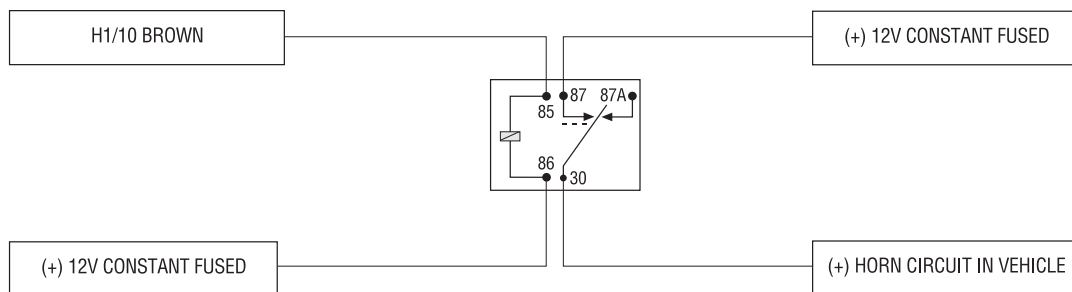
H1/8 BLACK (-) Chassis Ground Connection

Connect this wire to a clean, paint-free sheet metal location (driver kick panel) using a factory bolt that DOES NOT have any vehicle component grounds attached to it. A screw should only be used when in conjunction with a two-sided lock washer. Under dash brackets and door sheet metal are not acceptable ground points. It is recommended that all security components be grounded at the same location.



H1/10 BROWN (+) Horn Honk Output

This wire supplies a (-) 200 mA output that can be used to honk the vehicle horn. It outputs a single pulse when locking the doors with the remote, and two pulses when unlocking with the remote. This wire will also output pulses for 30 seconds when the Panic Mode is activated. If the vehicle has a (+) horn circuit, an optional relay can be used to interface with the system, as shown below.



H1/11 RED (+) 12V constant power input

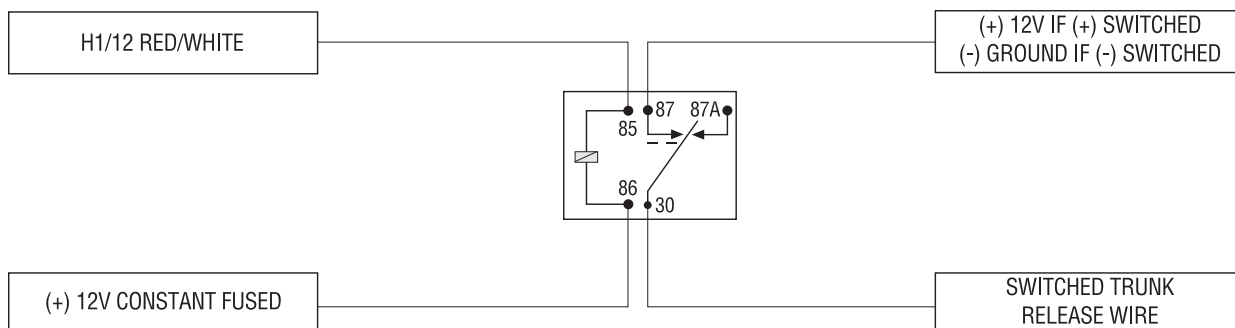
Before connecting this wire, remove the supplied fuse. Connect to the battery positive terminal or the constant 12V supply to the ignition switch.

NOTE: Always use a fuse within 12 inches of the point you obtain (+)12V. Do not use the 15A fuse in the harness for this purpose. This fuse protects the module itself.

H1/12 RED/WHITE (-) 200 mA output

When the system receives the code controlling Channel 2, for longer than 1.5 seconds, the RED/WHITE wire will supply an output as long as the transmission continues. This is often used to operate a trunk/hatch release or other relay-driven function. This output can also be programmed to provide the following types of output: Instant validity, latched, latched-reset with ignition, 30-second timed, or second unlock output. (See *Features Description* section of this guide for details.)

IMPORTANT! Never use this wire to drive anything but a relay or a low-current input! The transistorized output can only supply 200 mA of current. Connecting directly to a solenoid, motor, or other high-current device will cause it to fail.



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Secondary Harness (H2), Wire Connection Guide

Secondary Harness (H2) Wiring Diagram

H2/1	GRAY/BLACK	(-) Wait-to-Start Input
H2/2	LIGHT GREEN/BLACK	(-) Factory Disarm/Special Accessory

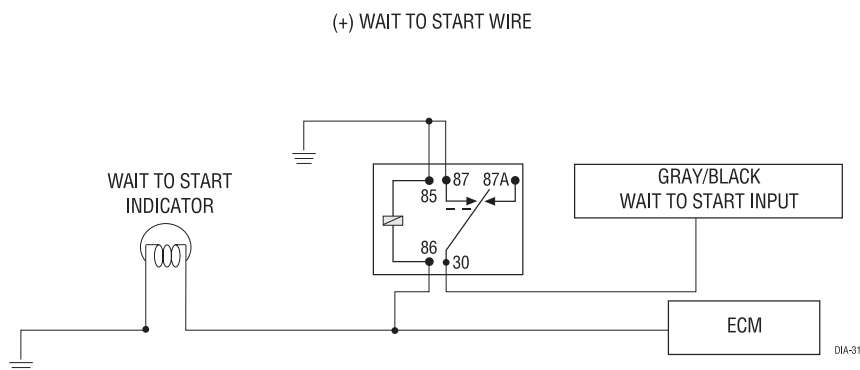
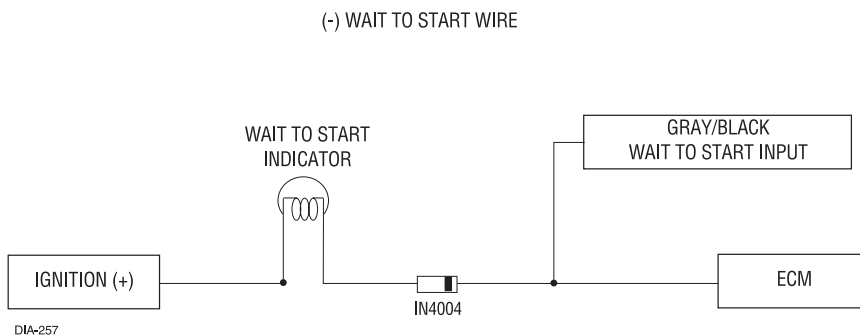
Secondary Harness Wire Descriptions

H2/1 GRAY/BLACK (-) Diesel Wait-to-Start Bulb Input

Connect this wire to the wire in the vehicle that sends the signal to turn on the WAIT-TO-START bulb in the dashboard. In most diesels the wire is negative (ground turns on the bulb) and the GRAY/BLACK can be directly connected to the wire in the vehicle. If the vehicle uses a positive wire (12V to turn on the bulb) a relay must be used to change the polarity. (See *Finding the Wait-To-Start Bulb Wire For Diesels* section of this guide.) Here are some common colors of this wire:

- Chevrolet and GMC trucks: Light Blue or Dark Blue
- Ford Trucks: Black/Pink
- Dodge Ram Trucks: Orange/Black or Black/Orange

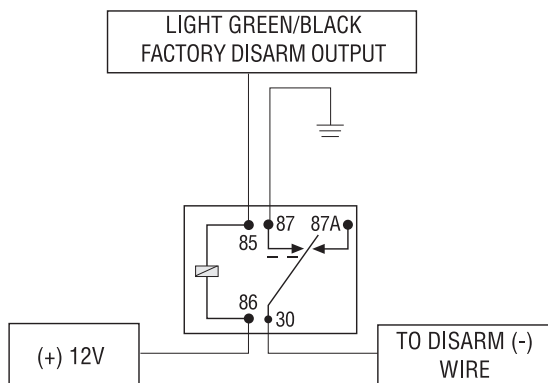
NOTE: A 1-amp diode must be installed in line on the factory wire between the wait-to-start indicator and the ECM. (See the following diagram for details.)



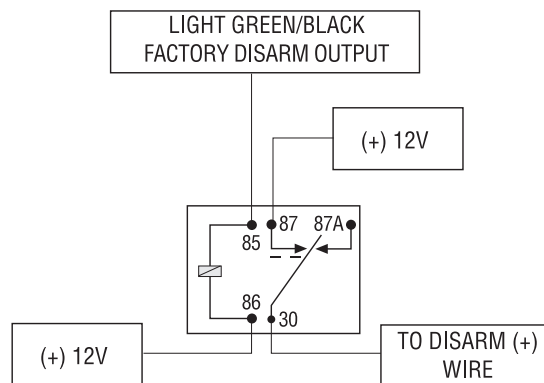
H2/2 LIGHT GREEN/BLACK (-) Auxiliary Output

This wire sends a negative pulse every time the remote start is activated. This can be used to pulse the disarm wire of the vehicle's factory anti-theft device. Use a relay to send a (-) or (+) pulse to the disarm wire as shown in the diagrams below. This wire can also be used as a special accessory output. (See *Feature Descriptions* section of this guide.)

Relay for Negative (-) Disarm Wire



Relay for Positive (+) Disarm Wire



Relay Satellite Key Switch Interface Wire Connection Guide

Heavy Gauge Relay Satellite Wiring Diagram

All except the red heavy gauge wires leading from the relay satellite are used to energize high current circuits in the vehicle. It is crucial that these connections are made correctly so that they are capable of handling the current demands. For this reason, scotch locks, T-taps and other such connectors should not be used.

1	RED	(+) High Current 12V Input
2	RED	(+) High Current 12V Input
3	PINK	(+) Output to Ignition Circuit
4	ORANGE	(+) Output to Accessory Circuit
5	PURPLE	(+) Output to Starter Circuit
6	PINK/WHITE	(+) Output to Second Ignition Circuit

Heavy Gauge Relay Satellite Wire Descriptions

RED (2) (+) 12V Input for Relays

Remove the two 30 amp fuses prior to connecting these wires and do not replace them until the satellite has been plugged into the control module. These wires are the source of current for all the circuits the relay satellite will energize. They must be connected to a high current source. Since the factory supplies (+) 12V to the key switch that is used to operate the motor, it is recommended that these wires be connected there.

NOTE: If the factory supplies two separate (+) 12V feeds to the ignition switch, connect one RED wire of the satellite to each feed at the switch.

PINK (+) Ignition Output

Connect this wire to the ignition wire in the vehicle.

ORANGE (+) Accessory Output

Connect this wire to the accessory wire in the vehicle that powers the climate control system.

PURPLE (+) Starter Output

Connect this wire to the starter wire in the vehicle.

PINK/WHITE (+) Output to Second Ignition Circuit

Connect this wire to the second ignition wire in the vehicle.

NOTE: For vehicles that do not have a second ignition wire, this connection is not required.

Remote Start Ribbon Harness Wiring Diagram

1	PURPLE	(-) 200 mA Starter Relay Turn-On
2	ORANGE	(-) 200 mA Accessory Relay Turn-On
3	PINK	(-) 200 mA Ignition Relay Turn-On
4	YELLOW	(+) Ignition Input to Remote Start
5	RED	(+) Constant Power

Remote Start Harness (H3), Wire Connection Guide

Remote Start Harness (H3) Wiring Diagram

1	BLUE	(-) Status/Factory Security Rearm Output
2	BLUE/BLACK	(-) 200 mA Optional Third Ignition Output
3	GRAY	(-) Hood Pinswitch Shutdown Wire
4	BROWN	(-) Brake Switch Shutdown Wire
5	VIOLET/WHITE	Tachometer Input Wire
6	BLACK/WHITE	(-) Neutral Safety Switch Input

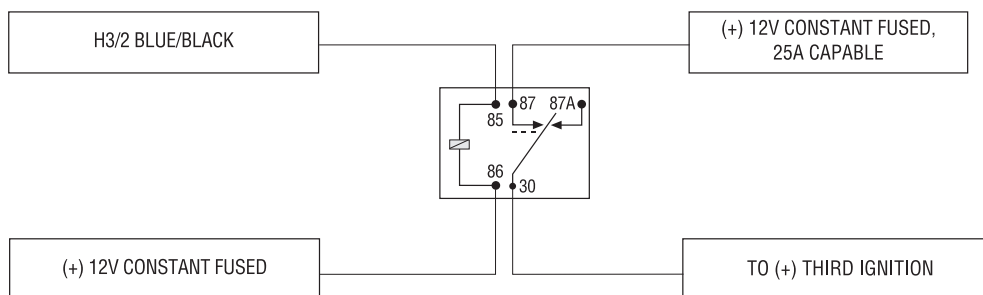
Remote Start Harness Wire Descriptions

H3/1 BLUE Status/Factory Security Rearm Output

This wire supplies a 200mA output as soon as the module begins the remote start process. The H3/1 BLUE wire can also be used to rearm a factory anti-theft system when the remote start shuts down. (See the *Feature Descriptions* section in this guide.)

H3/2 BLUE/BLACK (-) Optional Third Ignition Output

This output provides 200mA as soon as the remote starter is activated. It can be used to power a relay to energize a positive (+) third ignition as shown below. This output is capable of driving two relays if necessary.



H3/3 GRAY (-) Hood Pinswitch Input

This wire **MUST** be connected to hood pinswitch. This input will disable or shut down the remote start when the hood is opened.

H3/4 BROWN (+) Brake Switch Input

This wire MUST be connected to the vehicle's brake light wire. This is the wire that shows (+) 12V when the brake pedal is pressed. The remote start will be disabled or shut down any time the brake pedal is pressed.

H3/5 VIOLET/WHITE Tachometer Input

This input provides the module with information about the engine's revolutions per minute (RPMs). It can be connected to the negative side of the coil in vehicles with conventional coils. In multi-coil and high energy ignition systems locating a proper signal may be more difficult. (See Installation Points to Remember section of this guide for finding the tachometer wire.) Once connected, you must teach the system the tach signal. (See *Tach Learning* section of this guide.)

IMPORTANT! DO NOT use T-Taps or scotch locks for this connection.

H3/6 BLACK/WHITE Neutral Safety Switch Input

Connect this wire to the toggle (override) switch as shown in Figure A. Connect the other wire from the toggle switch to the park/neutral switch in the vehicle. This wire will test with ground with the gear selector either in PARK or NEUTRAL. This will prevent the vehicle from accidentally being started while in a drive gear. This input MUST rest at ground in order for the remote start system to operate. Connected properly the vehicle will only start while in PARK or NEUTRAL.

In some vehicles, the park/neutral position switch activates a factory starter lock out that will not allow the starter to operate in a drive gear. In these vehicles, connect this wire to the toggle switch as shown in Figure B. Connect the other wire from the toggle switch to chassis ground.

Figure A

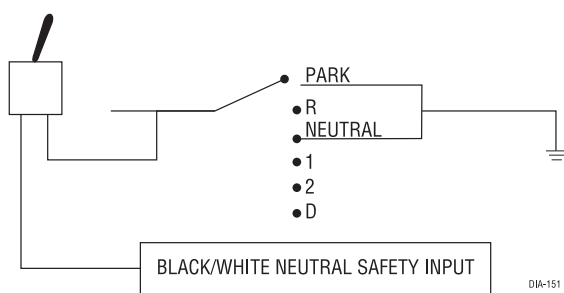
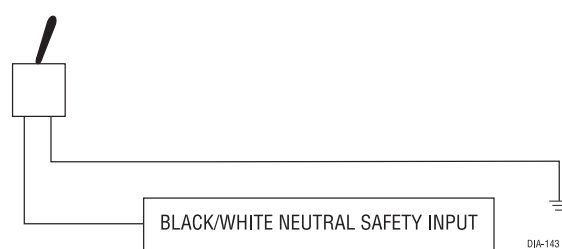


Figure B



IMPORTANT! Always perform the Vehicle Safety Check section of this guide to verify that the vehicle cannot be started in ANY drive gear and that the override switch is functioning properly.

Neutral Safety Switch Interface

Some vehicles combine the column shift mechanism and the mechanical neutral safety switch into one mechanical part. In these vehicles, it is impossible to interface the remote start system before the neutral safety switch. With this type of vehicle, if the vehicle is left in a drive gear and the remote start system is activated, the vehicle will move and may cause damage to persons or property. The following test must be performed before the vehicle is released to the customer.

NOTE: You must complete the remote start system installation before doing the following test. Ensure that the remote start system is functioning normally. This includes connecting to the brake as a shut-down.

Testing the Neutral Safety Switch

1. Make sure there is adequate clearance to the front and rear of the vehicle because it may move slightly.
2. Make sure the hood is closed and there are no remote start shut-downs active.
3. Set the emergency brake.
4. Turn the key to the "run" position, this will release the shifter.
5. Place the car in drive (D).
6. Place your foot directly over the brake pedal, but do not depress it. Be ready to step on the brake if the starter engages.
7. Activate the remote start system.
8. If the starter engages, immediately depress the brake to shut the remote start system down. If the starter does not engage, no additional safety system is required.

If the starter engages while testing, refer to technical document #1008 (Neutral Safety Update). It is available to authorized dealers only from the technical resources listed at the beginning of this manual.

IMPORTANT! Once the interface is complete, attempt to remote start the vehicle with the door closed and the key in the ignition. The vehicle should not start. If it does, recheck the connections.

Door Lock Harness (H4), Wire Connection Guide

H2/A	Green	(-) Lock, (+) Unlock Output
H2/B	Empty	Unless Using 451M
H2/C	Blue	(-) Unlock, (+) Lock Output

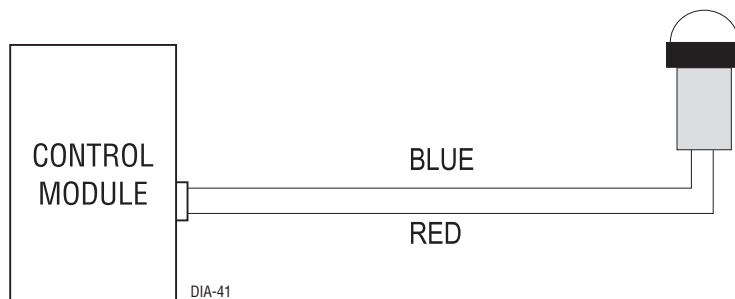
IMPORTANT! The door lock outputs are low current and should not be attached directly to any high current device; they are only to be used to activate relays

NOTE: For detailed instructions about connecting to the vehicle's power door lock systems, refer to the Door Lock Wiring guide (Document No. 1041) available only to authorized dealers through the technical resources listed at the front of this guide.

Peripheral Plug-In Harnesses

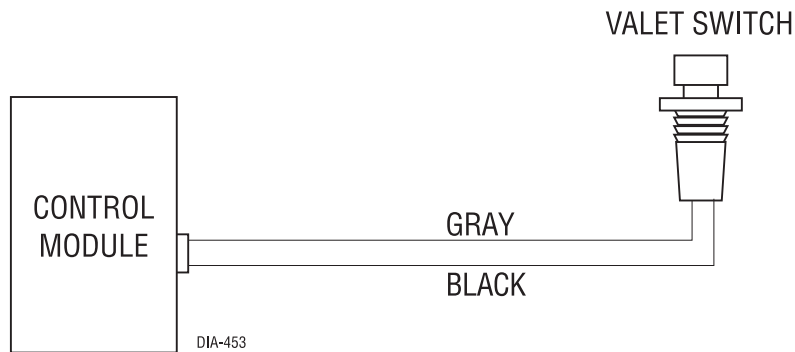
Super Bright LED, 2-Pin WHITE Plug

The super bright LED operates at (+) 2 volt DC and plugs into the two-pin WHITE port. Make sure the LED wires are not shorted to ground as the LED will be damaged. Multiple LED's can be used, but they must be wired in series. The LED fits into a 9/32-inch mounting hole. Be sure to check for clearance prior to drilling the mounting hole.



Valet/Program Switch, 2-Pin BLUE Plug

The Valet/Program button should be accessible from the driver's seat. It plugs into the BLUE port on the side of the unit. Consider how the button will be used before choosing a mounting location. Check for rear clearance before drilling a 9/32-inch hole and mounting the button.



Programmer Interface, 3-Pin Port



The BLACK three-pin port is provided for programming of the unit. When using the 998T Bitwriter, it is possible to configure any and all of the programmable functions. For more information please refer to the guide packaged with the programmer.

Mounting the Receiver/Antenna

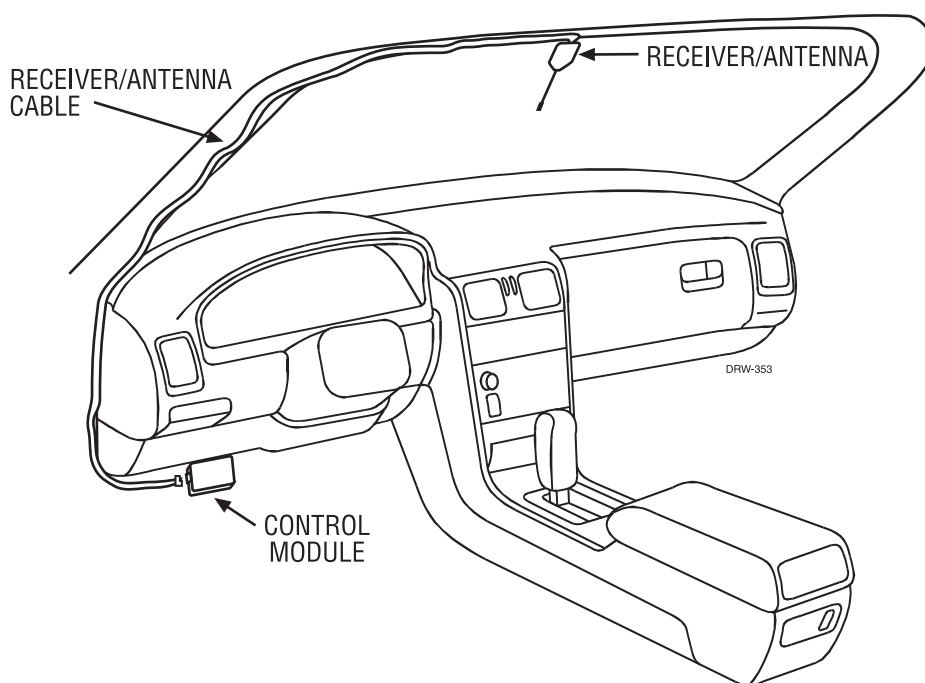
Receiver/antenna position should be discussed with the vehicle owner prior to installation, since the antenna may be visible to the vehicle's operator.

The best location for the receiver/antenna is centered high on either the front or rear windshield. For optimal range, the antenna should be mounted vertically. It can be mounted horizontally in relation to the windshield or under the dashboard away from metal, but range will be diminished. Metallic window tint can also affect range, so this should be a consideration when determining the mounting location.

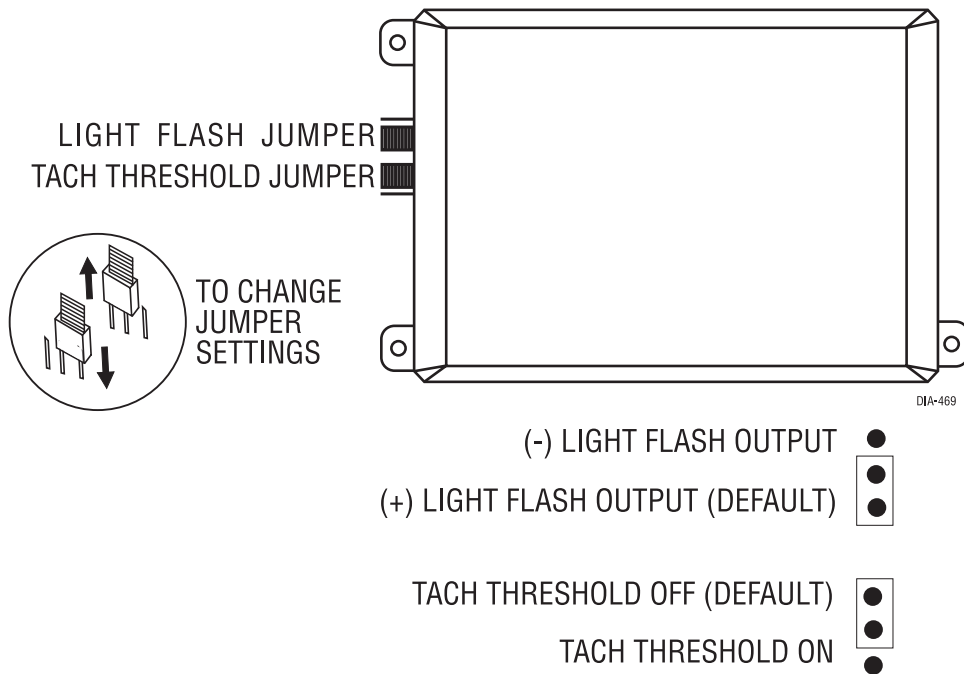
After determining the best mounting location, follow these steps:

1. Clean the mounting area with a quality glass cleaner or alcohol to remove any dirt or residue.
2. Plug the receiver/antenna cable into the receiver/antenna.
3. Mount the receiver/antenna using the supplied double-sided tape.
4. Route the receiver/antenna cable to the control module and plug it into the four-pin antenna connector.

IMPORTANT! To achieve the best possible range, DO NOT leave the antenna cable bundled under the dash. Always extend the cable full length during installation, regardless of the antenna mounting location.



Programming Jumpers



Light Flash Jumper

This jumper is used to determine the light flash output. In the (+) position, the on-board relay is enabled and the unit will output (+)12V on the WHITE wire, H1/2. In the (-) position, the on-board relay is disabled. The WHITE wire, H1/2, will supply a 200 mA (-) output suitable for driving factory parking light relays.

NOTE: For parking light circuits that draw 10 amps or more, the jumper must be switched to a (-) light flash output. P/N 8617 or a standard automotive SPDT relay must be used on the H1/2 light flash output harness wire.

IMPORTANT! DO NOT connect the H1/2 light flash wire to a negative vehicle light flash wire before changing the programming jumper to the negative polarity position or damage to vehicle light circuit may occur.

Tach Threshold On/Off

In most cases, this jumper can be left in the OFF position. Some new vehicles use less than 12 volts in their ignition systems. The unit may have trouble learning the tach signal in these vehicles. Changing the jumper to the ON setting changes the trigger threshold of the digital tach circuit so it will work properly with these vehicles. The vehicles affected include many newer Dodge/Chrysler/Plymouth vehicles, such as the Neon, Cirrus, Stratus, Breeze and LH-based vehicles.

System Features Learn Routine

The System Features Learn Routine dictates how the unit operates. Due to the number of steps, they have been broken up into two menus. It is possible to access and change any of the feature settings using the Valet/Program switch. However, this process can be greatly simplified by using the 998T Bitwriter. Any of the settings can be changed and then assigned to a particular transmitter, up to four, a feature called Owner Recognition. Each time that particular transmitter is used to disarm the system, the assigned feature settings will be recalled. Owner Recognition is only possible when programming the unit via the 998T Bitwriter.

If the system was previously programmed using the 998T Bitwriter, the learn routine may be locked. If the horn generates one long honk when attempting to program the unit, the learn routine is locked and must be unlocked using the 998T Bitwriter before proceeding.

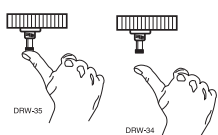
To program the learn routine:



1. **Key.** Turn the ignition on and then back off. (The heavy-gauge PINK wire of the relay satellite must be connected.)



2. **Select Menu.** Press and hold the Valet®/Program switch until either the LED flashes once and the horn honks once to select Menu One, or the LED flashes twice and the horn honks twice to select Menu Two.



3. **Choose.** Within 10 seconds, press and release the Valet®/Program switch the number of times corresponding to the feature number you want to program. (See Feature Menus.) Once the Valet®/Program switch has been pressed and released the desired number of times, press it once more and hold it. After a second, the LED will flash to indicate which feature you have accessed. For example, in Menu Two, groups of eight flashes would indicate access to the status output feature (Feature 2-8). The horn will also honk eight times (if connected).



4. **Transmit.** The transmitter is used to select the desired setting. As shipped, the unit is configured to the LED ON settings. These are the default settings. Pressing the lock button will set it to the LED ON setting. The LED will light solid (stop flashing) to indicate the setting. The horn will honk once (if connected). Pressing the unlock button will change the setting to the LED OFF setting. The LED will go out indicating the change and the horn will honk twice (if connected).



5. Release. The Valet®/Program switch can now be released.

For example, to program the arming mode from active to passive, within 10 seconds of turning the ignition off, select Menu One and press and release the Valet/Program switch once. Then press it again and hold it. The LED will flash in groups of one and the horn will honk once (if connected). While holding the Valet®/Program switch, press the unlock button. The LED will stop flashing and go out. The horn will honk twice if connected. Passive arming is now programmed. If that was not the desired setting, without releasing the Valet®/Program switch, press the lock button. The LED will light solid and the horn will honk once if connected. Active arming is now programmed. Release the Valet®/Program switch after the selection has been made.

You can advance from feature to feature by pressing and releasing the Valet®/Program switch the number of times necessary to get from the feature you just programmed to the feature you wish to access. For example, in Menu One, if you just programmed Feature 1-2 and you next want to program Feature 1-3 to off, release the Valet/Program switch. Press and release it once to advance from Feature 1-2 to Feature 1-3. Then press it once more and hold it. The LED will flash in groups of 3 and the horn will honk 3 times (if connected) to confirm that you have accessed Feature 1-3.

The learn routine will be exited if:

- The ignition is turned on.
- The Valet/Program switch is pressed too many times.
- More than 15 seconds elapses between programming steps.

One long horn honk (if connected) indicates that the Learn Routine has been exited.

System Features Menus

Menu #1 - Basic Features

Items in bold text have been programmed to the default setting at the factory.

Feature Number	Default LED ON Setting (Press Channel 1)	LED OFF Setting (Press Channel 2)
1-1	Active arming	Passive arming
1-2	Chirps ON	Chirps OFF
1-3	Ignition controlled door locks ON	Ignition controlled door locks OFF
1-4	Active locking only	Passive locking
1-5	0.8 second door lock pulses	3.5 second door lock pulses
1-6	Double pulse unlock OFF	Double pulse unlock ON
1-7	Channel 2 output - delayed validity (1)*	Channel 2 output - Instant validity (2)/latched (3)/latched reset with ignition (4)/30-second timed (5)/second unlock (6)*
1-8	Factory disarm with Channel 2 ON	Factory disarm with Channel 2 OFF
1-9	Code Hopping ON	Code Hopping OFF

*NOTE: The numbers in parentheses indicate the number of times the LED will flash.

Menu #2 - Remote Start Features

Feature Number	Default LED ON Setting (Press Channel 1)	LED OFF Setting (Press Channel 2)
2-1	Engine Checking ON	Engine Checking OFF
2-2	Tachometer checking type	Voltage checking type
2-3	12 minutes run time	24 minutes, 60 minutes run time
2-4	Flashing parking light output	Constant parking light output
2-5	Cranking time 0.6 sec. (1)*	Cranking time - 0.8 (2), 1.0 (3), 1.2 (4), 1.4 (5), 1.6 (6), 1.8 (7), 2.0 (8), 4.0 (9)*
2-6	High voltage check level	Low voltage check level
2-7	Auxiliary output - factory disarm	Auxilliary output - special accessory
2-8	Normal status output	Factory rearm output
2-9	Anti-grind ON	Anti-grind OFF

*NOTE: The numbers in parentheses indicate the number of times the LED will flash.

Feature Descriptions

The features of the system are described below. Features that have additional settings that can be selected only when programming with the 998T Bitwriter are indicated by the following icon:



Menu #1 - Basic Features

1-1 ACTIVE/PASSIVE ARMING: When active arming is selected, the starter kill will arm (if connected) only when the transmitter is used. When set to passive arming, the starter kill will arm (if connected) 30 seconds after the ignition key is turned off.

1-2 CHIRPS ON/OFF: This feature controls the chirps that confirm arming and disarming of the system. A siren or horn must be connected to the H1/10 BROWN wire.

1-3 IGNITION CONTROLLED DOOR LOCKS ON/OFF: When turned on, the doors will lock three seconds after the ignition is turned on and unlock when the ignition is turned off.

1-4 ACTIVE/PASSIVE LOCKING: If passive arming is selected in Menu One, Feature 1-1, then the system can be programmed to either lock the doors when passive arming occurs, or only lock the doors when the system is armed with a transmitter. Active locking means the doors will not lock when the system passively arms. Passive locking means that the doors will lock whenever the system passively arms the starter kill (if connected).

1-5 DOOR LOCK PULSE DURATION: Some European vehicles, such as Mercedes-Benz and Audi, require longer lock and unlock pulses to operate the vacuum pump. Programming the system to provide 3.5 second pulses will accommodate the door lock interface in these vehicles. The default setting is 0.8 second door lock pulses.

1-6 DOUBLE PULSE UNLOCK OFF/ON: Some vehicles require two pulses on a single wire to unlock the doors. When the double pulse unlock feature is turned on, the BLUE H2/C wire will supply two negative pulses instead of a single pulse. At the same time, the GREEN H2/A wire will supply two positive pulses instead of a single pulse. This makes it possible to directly interface with double pulse vehicles without any extra parts.

1-7 CHANNEL TWO OUTPUT:

- ▶ In the delayed validity default setting the Channel 2 output will output a negative (-) signal after the button is pressed for more than 1.5 seconds and will continue until the button is released.

- Selecting instant validity will output a negative signal from the Channel 2 output immediately when the Channel 2 button is pressed and will continue until the button is released.
- The latched output selection will output a negative signal as soon as the Channel 2 button is pressed and will continue until the button is pressed again.
- The latched/reset with ignition output selection operates just like the latched output but will reset or stop when the ignition is turned on.
- The 30-second timed output selection will latch the Channel 2 output on for 30 seconds when the remote button is pressed or until the button is pressed again within the 30 seconds.
- A second unlock output will provide a second unlock pulse whenever the unlock button is pressed within 15 seconds after unlocking the system. This setting could be used to unlock the passenger doors when installing progressive door locks, for instance.

NOTE: Programming Channel 2 for second unlock will link the RED/WHITE wire to the unlock button. Pressing the unlock button once will send the output to the H4/A or H4/C unlock output. Pressing the unlock button a second time within 15 seconds will send a negative (-) unlock pulse to the RED/WHITE wire.

1-8 FACTORY ALARM DISARM WITH CHANNEL TWO: Any time Channel 2 is activated from the remote transmitter the factory disarm output will pulse to disarm the vehicle's factory anti-theft device. This option can be programmed off if desired.

1-9 CODE-HOPPING ON/OFF: The system features Code-Hopping as an option. To use Code-Hopping technology, this feature must be programmed on.

Menu #2 - Remote Start Features

2-1 ENGINE CHECK ON/OFF: In the default setting the remote start will monitor either the vehicle's tach wire or voltage depending on the programming of Feature 2-2. If programmed off, the vehicle will crank for the programmed crank time (Feature 2-5) and will not verify with tach or voltage that the vehicle is running. In the off setting, if the vehicle fails to start, the ignition can stay on for the entire run duration. Using tach or voltage check is always recommended if possible.

2-2 TACH WIRE SENSE/VOLTAGE SENSE: If the tachometer signal wire is used, this feature must be left in the default (tach wire connected) setting. If programmed to the voltage sense setting, the unit will crank the starter for a preset time that can be programmed in Feature 2-5. Once the starter has been engaged, the system will check the voltage level to verify the engine is running. The threshold for the voltage level test can be programmed in Feature 2-6. When using voltage sense mode, connection of the H3/5 WHITE tachometer input is not necessary.



2-3 RUN TIME 12/24/60 MINUTES: This feature controls how long the engine will run before it “times out” and shuts down. Programmed to the default setting the engine will run for 12 minutes. If the 24- or 60-minute run time is desired, press the unlock button of the transmitter. The LED will blink two times for 24 minutes and three times for 60 minutes.

2-4 PARKING LIGHTS FLASHING/CONSTANT: In the default setting, the unit will flash the vehicle’s parking lights while remote started. The constant setting will turn the parking lights on solidly for the entire run duration.

2-5 CRANK TIME 0.6/0.8/1.0/1.2/1.4/1.6/1.8/2.0/4.0: If Feature 2-2 is programmed to the voltage sense setting, the crank time must be set to the appropriate duration. The default setting is 0.6 second. If a different crank time is desired, select Feature 2-5 and (while pressing the Valet®/Program switch) advance to the next time by pressing the unlock button. The unit will flash the LED to indicate which time is selected. Continued pressing of the unlock button will cycle through all LED off settings.

2-6 VOLTAGE CHECK LEVEL HIGH/LOW: This feature only functions when Feature 2-2 is programmed to voltage sense. Some vehicles have many accessories, which are turned on when remote started. In these vehicles, the variation of voltage between the engine off and the vehicle running is very slight and the remote start unit may “think” the vehicle has not started. This can cause the remote start to shut down after the vehicle has been started. If this is the case, program this feature to the LOW position.

2-7 AUXILIARY OUTPUT: In the default setting the LT. GREEN/BLACK, H2/2, wire sends a negative pulse that may be used to disarm the vehicle’s factory security system. If programmed for an ignition three output, the wire can be used to energize a relay to power up extra ignition wires in the vehicle.

2-8 BLUE WIRE STATUS OUTPUT/FACTORY RE-ARM OUTPUT: The blue (H3/1) wire will supply a (-)200mA output for the entire remote start run time. If programmed for factory re-arm output, this wire will supply a momentary (-)200mA pulse whenever the remote start times out or is shut down with the transmitter. This can be used to re-arm many factory security systems.

2-9 AUTOMATIC ANTI-GRIND ON/OFF: With the anti-grind on (default) the ground-when-armed output will be active during remote start operation. If accessories such as a voice module or window module are added to the unit, it may be necessary to program this feature off.

Transmitter/Receiver Learn Routine

The system comes with two transmitters that have been taught to the receiver. The receiver can store up to four different transmitter codes in memory. Use the following learn routine to add transmitters to the system or to change button assignments if desired.

If the system was previously programmed using the 998T Bitwriter, the learn routine may be locked. If the horn generates one long honk when attempting to program the unit, the learn routine is locked and must be unlocked using the 998T Bitwriter before proceeding.



1. **Key.** Turn the key to the ON position.



2. **Choose.** Within 10 seconds, press and release the Valet/program switch the number of times corresponding to the desired channel listed below. Once you have selected the channel, press the switch once more and HOLD it. The LED will flash and the horn will honk (if connected) to confirm the selected channel. Do not release the Valet/program switch.



3. **Transmit.** While holding the Valet/Program button, press the button from the transmitter that you wish to assign to the selected channel. The unit will chirp indicating successful programming. It is not possible to teach a transmitter button to the system more than once.



4. **Release.** Once the code is learned, the Valet/Program button can be released.

Channel Number	Function	Wire Color
1	Arm/Disarm/Panic	
2	Silent Mode/Remote Valet/Trunk Release	RED/WHITE
3	Remote Start	
4	Arm only	
5	Disarm only	
6	Panic only	
7	Auto-learn Single Button Arm/Disarm Configuration*	
8	Auto-learn Standard Configuration*	
9	Delete all transmitters	

*NOTE: For Auto Learn Configurations, see *Transmitter Configurations* section of this guide.

Channels #4-6: Channels 4 through 6 are used to assign the arm, disarm and panic functions to separate buttons on the remote control. Teaching a button to Channel 4 erases all information about that remote from memory. Any auxiliary functions that are desired will have to be reprogrammed. Similarly, if the remote is set up to use the separate arm, disarm and panic channels and a button from that remote is entered into channel one, the remote will be erased from memory, and the system will only recognize the button that was entered into Channel 1.

Channel #9: If any button from a known transmitter is programmed to Channel 9, all transmitters will be erased from memory and the system features will revert to the default settings. This is useful in cases where the one of the customer's transmitters is lost or stolen. This will erase any lost or stolen transmitters from the system's memory. It can also be used to start from scratch if the transmitter buttons were programmed incorrectly.

To exit the learn routine:

One long horn honk indicates that Learn Routine has been exited.







- Ignition is turned off.
- Valet/Program button is pressed too many times.
- More than 15 seconds elapse between steps.

Transmitter Configurations

The transmitters can be programmed with the standard or single button arm/disarm configurations by using the Auto Learn functions in the Transmitter/Receiver Learn Routine.





Standard Configuration

A remote that uses the standard configuration operates similarly to many factory keyless entry remotes. A standard configuration transmitter allows arming, disarming, and Panic Mode activation with separate buttons. When programmed for standard configuration using the Channel 8 Auto-learn configuration, the transmitter buttons are assigned to the following functions:

	operates	Arm only
	operates	Disarm only
	operates	Channel 2 and Silent Mode
	operates	Panic only
 and 	operate	Remote Start

Single Button Arm/Disarm Configuration

When programmed for single button arm/disarm configuration using the Channel 7 Auto-learn configuration, the transmitter buttons are assigned to the following functions:

	operates	Arm/Disarm/Panic
	operates	Channel 2 and Silent Mode
 and 	operates	Remote Start

Tach Learning

To learn the tach signal:



1. Start the vehicle with the key.



2. Within 5 seconds, press and hold the Valet/program switch.



3. The LED will light constant when the tach signal is learned.



4. Release the Valet/program switch.

NOTE: A dim or pulsing LED when learning tach means the unit has not learned the tach signal. Test all connections, and if good, relocate the tach input wire and continue with tach learning procedure.

Shutdown Diagnostics

The unit has the ability to report the cause of the last shutdown of the remote start system.

To enter diagnostic mode:



1. Turn the ignition off.



2. Press and hold the Valet/program switch.



3. Turn the ignition on then off again.



4. Release the Valet/program switch.



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5. Press and release the Valet/program switch.

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DIRM-04

The LED will now report the last system shutdown by flashing for one minute in the below grouped patterns; the LED will stop flashing when the ignition is turned on.

LED FLASHES	SHUTDOWN MODE
One	System timed out
Two	Over-rev shutdown
Three	Low or no RPM
Four	Transmitter Shutdown (or optional push-button)
Five	(-) Shutdown
Six	(+) Shutdown
Seven	(-) Neutral safety shutdown (H3/6 BLACK/WHITE)
Eight	Wait-to-start timed out

Rapid Resume Logic

Rapid Resume Logic ensures that when the system is powered up it will return to the same state it was in when power is disconnected. For a full description of Rapid Resume Logic refer to the owner's manual.

Timer Mode

Timer Mode allows the operator to program the remote start system to start the engine every three hours a total of 6 times. For a full description of Timer Mode activation refer to the owner's manual.

Safety Check

Before vehicle reassembly, the remote system must be checked to ensure safe and trouble-free operation. The following test procedure must be used to verify proper installation and operation of the system. The installation must be completed before testing, including connection to the brake switch and hood switch.

1. Test the BRAKE shutdown circuit: With the vehicle in Park (P), activate the remote start system. Once the engine is running, press the brake pedal. The engine should shut down immediately. If the engine continues to run, check the brake circuit connection.
2. Test the HOOD PIN shutdown circuit: With the vehicle in Park (P), open the hood. Activate the remote start system. The vehicle should not start. If the starter engages, check your hood pin and connections.

Note: If programmed for Diesel Mode, the system will turn on the ignition, but the starter should not engage with the hood open.

3. Test the NEUTRAL SAFETY shutdown circuit:

IMPORTANT! Make sure there is adequate clearance to the front and rear of the vehicle before attempting this test.

- a. Make sure the hood is closed and no other shutdown circuits are active.
- b. Set the emergency brake.
- c. Turn the ignition key to the run position but do not start the engine.
- d. Put the vehicle in Drive (D).
- e. Put your foot over the brake pedal but do not press down on it. Be ready to step on the brake to shutdown the remote start system.
- f. Activate the remote start system.
 - If the starter engages, immediately step on the brake to shut down the system. If it does engage, recheck the neutral safety input connection. The vehicle may use a mechanical neutral safety switch. (See H2/6 BLACK/WHITE neutral safety switch input in Remote Start Harness Wire Connection Guide section of this guide.)
 - If the starter does not engage, the test is complete.

Once the system passes the three tests, the vehicle can be re-assembled and delivered. Do not use the remote start system or finalize the installation if it fails any of the safety check tests.

Troubleshooting

The ignition comes on, but the starter will not crank.

- Does it start with the key in the ignition? If so, does the vehicle have a VATS Pass-Key system?
- Will it start with the brake pedal depressed? (Make sure to disconnect the brake shutdown when performing this test.) If so, it may have a brake/starter interlock.
- Is the correct starter wire being energized? Check by energizing it yourself with a fused test lead.

The starter cranks for six seconds but does not start.

- Either the wrong ignition wire is being energized, the unit's ignition and accessory wires have been connected backwards, or the vehicle has two ignition circuits. Try activating the unit with the ignition key in the RUN position. If the vehicle then runs normally, retest your ignition system.

The starter continues to crank even though the engine has started.

- Has the tach wire been learned? See Tach Learning section of this guide.
- Is the tach wire receiving the correct information? Either the wrong tach wire has been used, or a bad connection exists.

The climate control system does not work while the unit is operating the vehicle.

- Either the wrong accessory wire is being energized or more than one ignition or accessory wire must be energized in order to operate the climate control system.

The remote start will not activate.

- Check harnesses and connections. Make sure the harnesses are fully plugged into the remote start module. Make sure there are good connections to the vehicle wiring.
- Check voltage and fuses. Use a meter and check for voltage between the red wire in the 5 pin ribbon harness and the black ground wire. If you have less than battery voltage, check the 3A and both 30A fuses on the relay satellite. Also make sure that the ground wire is going to a chassis ground and not to something under the dash.
- Check diagnostics. The diagnostics will tell you which shutdown is active or not connected.

The remote start will activate but the starter never engages.

- Check for voltage on the purple starter wire two seconds after the remote start becomes active. If there is voltage present, skip to Step 4. If there is not voltage present, advance to Step 2.
- Check the 30A fuses.
- Check diagnostics. If the gray/black wire is detecting ground upon activation, the starter will not crank.

- Make sure the purple starter wire is connected on the starter side of the starter kill relay.
- Does the vehicle have an immobilizer? Some immobilizer systems will not allow the vehicle to crank if active.
- Check connections. The two red heavy gauge input wires on the relay satellite should have solid connections. "T-taps", or "scotch locks" are not recommended for any high current heavy gauge wiring. Also, if the vehicle has more than one 12-volt input wire, then connect one red wire to each.

The vehicle starts, but immediately dies.

- Does the vehicle have an immobilizer? The vehicles immobilizer will cut the fuel and/or spark during unauthorized starting attempts.
- Is the remote start programmed for voltage sense? If so, the start time may not be set high enough, or you may have to adjust the voltage threshold in programming. Voltage sense will not work on some vehicles.
- Check diagnostics. Sometimes a shutdown will become active during cranking or just after cranking.

The vehicle starts, but the starter keeps running.

- Is the system programmed for engine checking off or voltage sense? When programmed for either of these features, the engine cranks for the preprogrammed crank time regardless of how long it takes to start the vehicle to actually start. Adjust to a lower cranking time.
- Was the Tach Learn successful? The LED must light solidly to indicate a successful learn.
- Make sure that there is a tach signal right at the purple/white tach input wire of the remote start. If not, recheck the connection to the vehicle's tach wire and make sure the wire is not broken or shorted to ground leading to the remote start.

The vehicle will start and run only for about 10 seconds.

- Is the remote start programmed for voltage sense? Try programming the unit for low voltage reference. If this does not work, a tach wire should be used.
- Check diagnostics.

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