**Hatch Release Malfunction**

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| **Circuit** | **Short to Ground** | **Open/High Resistance** | **Short to Voltage** | **Signal Performance** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Liftgate Unlatch Relay B+ | 2 | 2 | — | — |
| Liftgate Unlatch Switch Signal | B2494 00 | 1 | 1 | — |
| Liftgate Unlatch Relay Control Low | — | 2 | — | — |
| Liftgate Unlatch Relay Control High | B3245 02 | 2 | B324A 01 | — |
| Liftgate Latch Ground | — | 2 | — | — |
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Refer to Circuit/System Testing — Liftgate Release Switch Inoperative

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Refer to Circuit/System Testing — Liftgate Release Actuator Inoperative

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1. All OK.

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1. Ignition ON.
2. Verify the scan tool Trunk Lid/Liftgate Window Exterior Unlatch Switch parameter changes between Active and Inactive when pressing and releasing the S46B Liftgate Unlatch Switch.
   * **If the parameter does not change**

Refer to Circuit/System Testing — Liftgate Release Switch Inoperative

* + **If the parameter changes**

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   * **If the M30 Liftgate Latch does not release**

Refer to Circuit/System Testing — Liftgate Release Actuator Inoperative

* + **If the M30 Liftgate Latch does release**

1. All OK.

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**Liftgate Release Switch Inoperative**

1. Ignition OFF and all vehicle systems OFF, disconnect the harness connector at the S46B Liftgate Unlatch Switch. It may take up to 2 minutes for all vehicle systems to power down.
2. Test for less than 10 Ω between the ground circuit terminal 2 and ground.
   * **If 10 Ω or greater**
   * Ignition OFF.
   * Test for less than 2 Ω in the ground circuit end to end.
     + If 2 Ω or greater, repair the open/high resistance in the circuit.
     + If less than 2 Ω, repair the open/high resistance in the ground connection.
   * **If less than 10 Ω**
3. Ignition ON.
4. Verify the scan tool Trunk Lid/Liftgate Window Exterior Unlatch Switch parameter is Inactive.
   * **If not Inactive**
   * Ignition OFF, disconnect the harness connector at the K9 Body Control Module.
   * Test for infinite resistance between the signal circuit terminal 1 and ground.
     + If less than infinite resistance, repair the short to ground on the circuit.
     + If infinite resistance, replace the K9 Body Control Module.
   * **If Inactive**
5. Install a 3 A fused jumper wire between the signal circuit terminal 1 and the ground circuit terminal 2.
6. Verify the scan tool Trunk Lid/Liftgate Window Exterior Unlatch Switch parameter is Active.
   * **If not Active**
   * Ignition OFF, remove the 3 A fused jumper wire, disconnect the harness connector at the K9 Body Control Module, ignition ON.
   * Test for less than 1 V between the signal circuit and ground.
     + If 1 V or greater, repair the short to voltage on the circuit.
     + If less than 1 V
   * Test for less than 2 Ω in the signal circuit end to end.
     + If 2 Ω or greater, repair the open/high resistance in the circuit.
     + If less than 2 Ω, replace the K9 Body Control Module.
   * **If Active**
7. Test or replace the S46B Liftgate Unlatch Switch.

**Release Actuator Inoperative**

1. Ignition OFF, disconnect the KR95A Liftgate Unlatch Relay. Ignition ON
2. Verify a test lamp illuminates between the B+ circuit terminal 3 and ground.
   * **If the test lamp does not illuminate and the circuit fuse is good**
   * Ignition OFF.
   * Test for less than 2 Ω in the B+ circuit end to end.
     + If 2 Ω or greater, repair the open/high resistance in the circuit.
     + If less than 2 Ω, verify the fuse is not open and there is voltage at the fuse.
   * **If the test lamp does not illuminate and the circuit fuse is open**
   * Ignition OFF.
   * Test for infinite resistance between the B+ circuit and ground.
     + If less than infinite resistance, repair the short to ground on the circuit.
     + If infinite resistance,
   * Disconnect the harness connector at the M30 Liftgate Latch.
   * Test for infinite resistance between the control circuit terminal 5 and ground.
     + If less than infinite resistance, repair the short to ground on the circuit.
     + If infinite resistance, replace the KR95A Liftgate Unlatch Relay
   * **If the test lamp illuminates**
3. Connect a test lamp between the control circuit terminal 1 and ground.
4. Ignition ON, verify the test lamp turns ON and OFF when pressing and releasing the S46B Liftgate Unlatch Switch.
   * **If the test lamp is always OFF**
   * Ignition OFF, remove the test lamp, disconnect the harness connector at the K9 Body Control Module.
   * Test for infinite resistance between the control circuit and ground.
     + If less than infinite resistance, repair the short to ground on the circuit.
     + If infinite resistance
   * Test for less than 2 Ω in the control circuit end to end.
     + If 2 Ω or greater, repair the open/high resistance in the circuit.
     + If less than 2 Ω, replace the K9 Body Control Module.
   * **If the test lamp is always ON**
   * Ignition OFF, remove the test lamp, disconnect the harness connector at the K9 Body Control Module, ignition ON.
   * Test for less than 1 V between the control circuit and ground.
     + If 1 V or greater, repair the short to voltage on the circuit.
     + If less than 1 V, replace the K9 Body Control Module.
   * **If the test lamp turns ON and OFF**
5. Connect a test lamp between the control circuit terminal 2 and B+.
6. Verify the test lamp turns ON and OFF when pressing and releasing S46B Liftgate Unlatch Switch.
   * **If the test lamp is always OFF**
   * Ignition OFF, remove the test lamp, disconnect the harness connector at the K9 Body Control Module, ignition ON.
   * Test for less than 1 V between the control circuit and ground.
     + If 1 V or greater, repair the short to voltage on the circuit.
     + If less than 1 V
   * Ignition OFF.
   * Test for less than 2 Ω in the control circuit end to end.
     + If 2 Ω or greater, repair the open/high resistance in the circuit.
     + If less than 2 Ω, replace the K9 Body Control Module.
   * **If the test lamp is always ON**
   * Ignition OFF, remove the test lamp, disconnect the harness connector at the K9 Body Control Module.
   * Test for infinite resistance between the control circuit and ground.
     + If less than infinite resistance, repair the short to ground on the circuit.
     + If infinite resistance, replace the K9 Body Control Module.
   * **If the test lamp turns ON and OFF**
7. Verify that a test lamp does not illuminate between the control circuit terminal 5 and ground.
   * **If the test lamp illuminates**

Repair the short to voltage on the control circuit

* + **If the test lamp does not illuminate**

1. Ignition OFF and all vehicle systems OFF, disconnect the harness connector at the M30 Liftgate Latch. It may take up to 2 minutes for all vehicle systems to power down.
2. Test for less than 10 Ω between the ground circuit terminal 1 and ground.
   * **If 10 Ω or greater**
   * Ignition OFF.
   * Test for less than 2 Ω in the ground circuit end to end.
     + If 2 Ω or greater, repair the open/high resistance in the circuit.
     + If less than 2 Ω, repair the open/high resistance in the ground connection.
   * **If less than 10 Ω**
3. Connect the harness connector at the M30 Liftgate Latch
4. Ignition ON, connect a 10 A fused jumper wire between the B+ circuit terminal 3 and the control circuit terminal 5.
5. Verify the M30 Liftgate Latch is activated.
   * **If the M30 Liftgate Latch does not activate**
   * Ignition OFF, disconnect the harness connector at the M30 Liftgate Latch.
   * Test for less than 2 Ω in the control circuit end to end.
     + If 2 Ω or greater, repair the open/high resistance in the circuit.
     + If less than 2 Ω, replace the M30 Liftgate Latch.
   * **If the M30 Liftgate Latch activates**
6. Test or replace the KR95A Liftgate Unlatch Relay.

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**Liftgate Latch**

1. Ignition OFF, disconnect the harness connector at the M30 Liftgate Latch.
2. Install a 10 A fused jumper wire between the control terminal 3 and 12 V. Install a jumper wire between the ground terminal 1 and ground.
3. Verify the M30 Liftgate Latch activates
   * **If the M30 Liftgate Latch does not activate.**

Replace the M30 Liftgate Latch.

* + **If the M30 Liftgate Latch does activate.**

1. All OK

**Liftgate Release Switch**

1. Ignition OFF, disconnect the harness connector at the S46B Liftgate Unlatch Switch.
2. Test for infinite resistance between the signal terminal 1 and the ground terminal 2 with the switch in the open position.
   * **If less than infinite resistance**

Replace the S46B Liftgate Unlatch Switch.

* + **If infinite resistance**

1. Test for less than 3 Ω between the signal terminal 1 and the ground terminal 2 with the switch in the closed position.
   * **If 3 Ω or greater**

Replace the S46B Liftgate Unlatch Switch.

* + **If less than 3 Ω**

1. All OK

**Relay Test**

1. Ignition OFF, disconnect the KR95A Liftgate Unlatch Relay.
2. Test for 60–200 Ω between terminals 1 and 3.
   * **If less than 60 Ω or greater than 200 Ω**

Replace the KR95A Liftgate Unlatch Relay.

* + **If between 60-200 Ω**

1. Test for infinite resistance between the terminals listed below:
   * 4 and 3
   * 4 and 5
   * 4 and 1
   * 5 and 1
   * **If less than infinite resistance**

Replace the KR95A Liftgate Unlatch Relay.

* + **If infinite resistance**

1. Install a 3 A fused jumper wire between relay terminal 3 and 12 V. Install a jumper wire between relay terminal 1 and ground.
2. Test for less than 2 Ω between terminals 4 and 5.
   * **If 2 Ω or greater**

Replace the KR95A Liftgate Unlatch Relay.

* + **If less than 2 Ω**

1. All OK

[**Repair Instructions**](https://gsi.ext.gm.com/gsi/showDoc.do?laborOpCode=&docSyskey=2540371&cellId=179994&pubObjSyskey=5663697&from=sm&pubCellSyskey=5661196#d41e1295)

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* [Liftgate Release Switch Replacement](https://gsi.ext.gm.com/gsi/cellHandler.do?cellId=156469&refDoc=2540371&from=sm)
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