



Changing the small bulb in the RV8 dashboard boot release switch

During the discussion of how to solve a faulty luggage compartment lamp switch in the boot lock, Godfrey Dennis also checked the tell-tale light in the dashboard switch which opens the boot. Here he describes how he tracked down a source of the small replacement bulbs and fitted one to his switch. (Aug 12)

There are actually two tiny bulbs in this dashboard switch so I have attached some photos of the diode bulbs in their holders, removed from the switch. The bulb can be removed from the holder by careful use of a pair of tweezers and then the replacement is self explanatory.

The specialist bulb company for classic cars listed in the V8LIFELINE - Albert Brock Classic Bulbs - do not stock these small diode bulbs, but I have found that high street and online electronics shop Maplin does. The part or catalogue number at Maplin is **BT43W** and they each cost about £1.30.

See www.maplin.co.uk/wire-terminal-type-1955



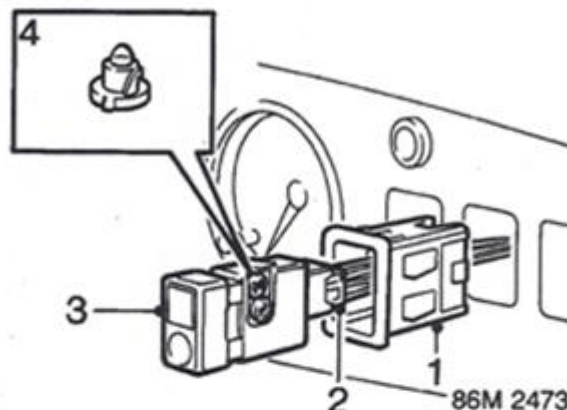
See also RV8NOTE366 on the on the boot release lock



SWITCH AND BULB

Service Repair No. 86.45.29

Remove



1. Ease switch holder from fascia panel.

Note: RH switches can be pressed out by reaching behind panel.

2. Disconnect multiplug from switch.
- Do not carry out further dismantling if component is removed for access only**
3. Remove switch from holder – not Hazard switch.
4. Remove bulb(s) from switch.

Refit

1. Fit new bulb(s) to switch.
2. Fit switch to holder – not Hazard switch.
3. Connect multiplug to switch.
4. Align and press switch holder into fascia panel.

Source: RV8 Repair Manual AKM7154ENG, Electrical, Repairs, page 2