



BMW 5 series (E 39) up to 05/96 Hazard warning flasher and interior lamp activate on independently

Central locking impact-switch
activates too early.

Following faults are possible:

1. Hazard warning flasher and interior lamp activate sporadically
2. Provided that the vehicle was locked from inside, it unlocks

These faults could appear when driving on uneven streets, or when releasing the bonnet, if the bonnet release is allowed to snap back after release. The switch ensures, that the doors unlock for a rescue team after an impact. This fault condition indicates, that the switch was installed up side down. Due to this, the sensitivity of the switch is altered and it causes to the mentioned faults.

In these cases the position of the switch must be checked, and corrected if necessary.

To check the position:

- Dismantle the masking of the a-pillar
- Remove the insulation of the a-pillar carefully
- Check the position of the switch (identification)
The arrows on the switch must point up and the cable connection beneath.

To correct the position:

- Remove the switch fastening, rotate the switch 180 degrees and re-fasten
- Assemble the parts in reverse order

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