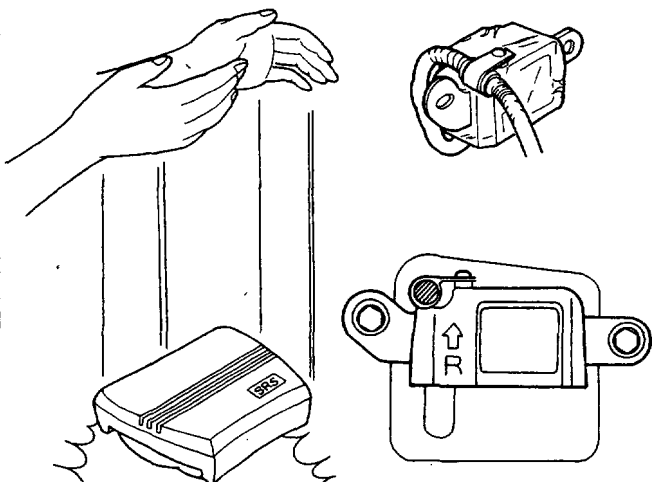


Precautions/Procedures

General Precautions

1. Carefully inspect any SRS part before installing. Do not install any part that shows signs of being dropped or improperly handled, such as dents, cracks or deformation:

- Airbag assy.
- Front sensors.
- Cable reel.
- SRS unit

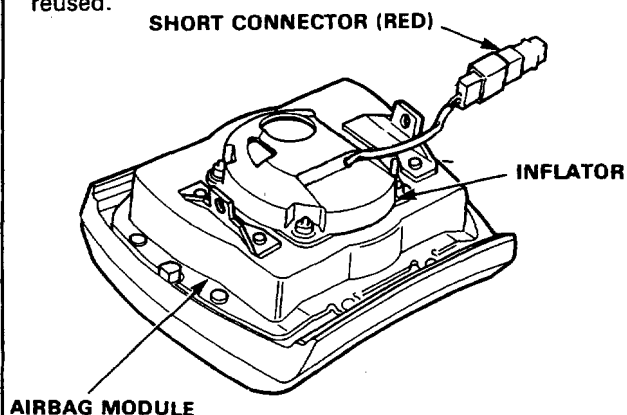


2. Use only the digital multimeter to check the system. If using an analog circuit tester, it may cause an accidental deployment and possible injury.
3. Do not install used SRS parts from another car. When repairing, use only new SRS parts.
4. Except when performing electrical inspections, always disconnect both the negative cable and positive cable at the battery before beginning work.
5. Replacement of the lighting and wiper combination switches and cruise control switch can be done without removing the steering wheel:

- Lighting and wiper combination switch replacement, see Section 16.
- Cruise control switch replacement, see Section 16.

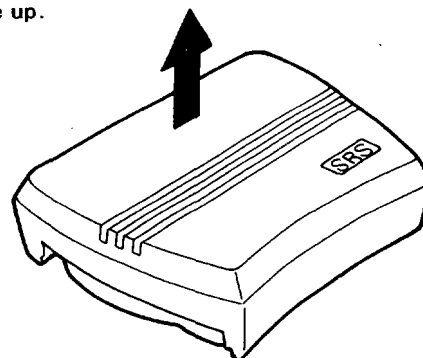
Airbag Assembly

Do not try to disassemble the airbag assembly. There are no separately serviceable parts. Once an airbag has been operated (deployed), it cannot be repaired or reused.



For temporary storage of the airbag assembly during service, please observe the following precautions:

1. Store the removed airbag assembly with the pad surface up.



⚠ WARNING If the airbag is improperly stored face down, accidental deployment could propel the unit with enough force to cause serious injury.

2. Store the removed airbag assembly on a secure flat surface away from any high heat source (exceeding 100°C/212°F) and free of any oil, grease, detergent or water.

CAUTION: Improper handling or storage can internally damage the airbag assembly, making it inoperative.

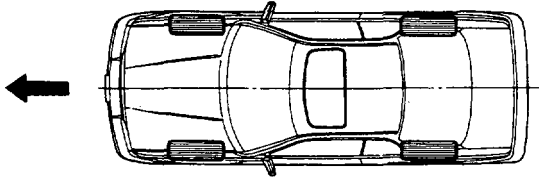
If you suspect the airbag assembly has been damaged, install a new unit and refer to the Deployment/Disposal Procedures for scrapping of the damaged airbag.

Precautions/Procedures

Steering

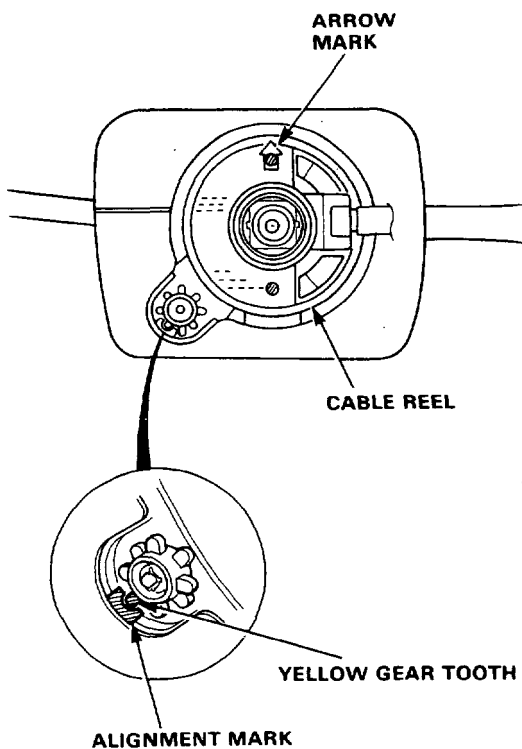
1. Steering Wheel and Cable Reel Alignment :

NOTE: To avoid misalignment of the steering wheel or airbag on reassembly, make sure the wheels are turned straight ahead before removing the steering wheel.



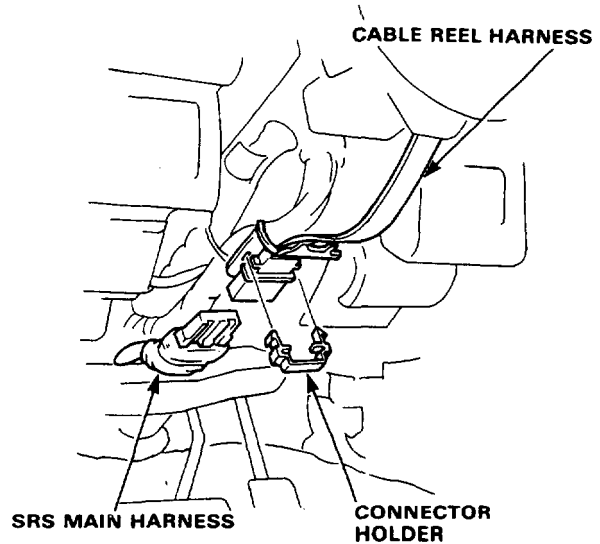
Rotate the cable reel clockwise until it stops.
Then rotate it counterclockwise (approximately two turns) until :

- The yellow gear tooth lines up with the mark on the cover.
- The arrow on the cable reel label points straight up.



2. Steering Column Removal:

CAUTION : Before removing the steering column, first disconnect the connector between the cable reel and the main SRS harness.



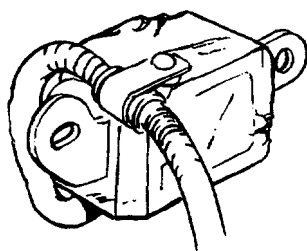
3. Steering wheel :

Do not replace the original steering wheel with any other design, since it will make it impossible to properly install the airbag (Only use genuine HONDA replacement parts).

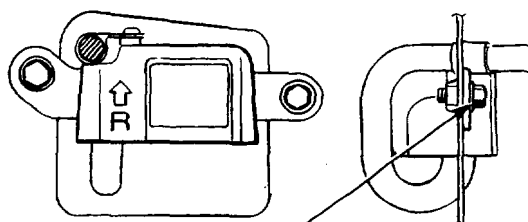
4. After reassembly confirm that the wheels are still straight ahead and that steering wheel spoke angle is correct. If minor spoke angle adjustment is necessary, do so only by adjustment of the tie rods, not by removing and repositioning the steering wheel.

Sensor Inspection

1. After any degree of front body damage, inspection both front sensors.
Replace a sensor if there are any signs of dents, cracks or deformation.



2. Be sure the sensors are installed securely.



ALLOW NO GAPS

CAUTION:

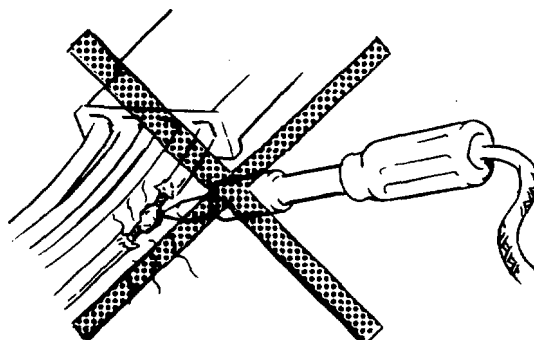
Take extra care when painting or doing body work on any part of the front fender. Avoid direct exposure of the sensors or wiring to heat guns, welding or spraying equipment.

⚠ WARNING

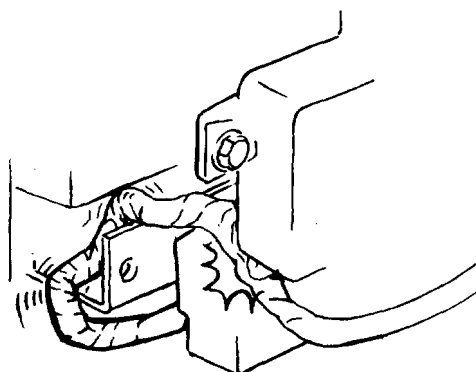
- Disconnect both the negative and positive battery cables.
- Install the short connector before performing work on the front fenders or the SRS sensors.

Wiring

1. Never attempt to modify, splice or repair SRS wiring.
NOTE: SRS wiring can be identified by special yellow outer protective covering.



2. Be sure to install the harness wires so that they are not pinched or interfering with other car parts.



3. Make sure all SRS ground locations are clean and grounds are securely fastened for optimum metal-to-metal contact. Poor grounding can cause intermittent problems that are difficult to diagnose.

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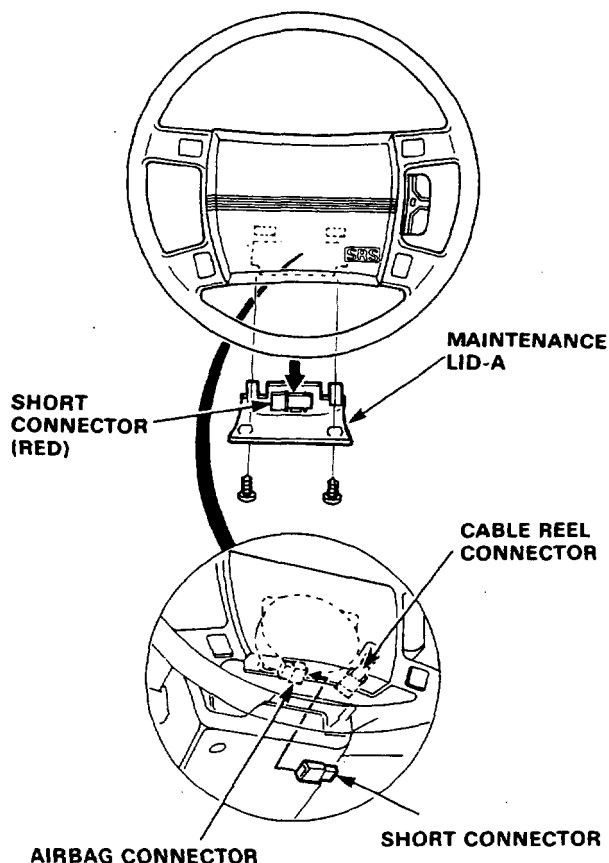
Precautions/Procedures

Wiring (cont'd)

4. Installing Short Connector :

⚠ WARNING To avoid accidental deployment and possible injury always install the protective short connector on the inflator connector when the harness is disconnected.

- ① Disconnect both the negative cable and positive cable from battery.
- ② Remove maintenance lid A below the airbag, then remove the red short connector.
- ③ Disconnect the connector between the airbag and cable reel.
- ④ Connect the short connector to the airbag side of the connector.
- ⑤ Reconnect both the positive cable and negative cable to battery.



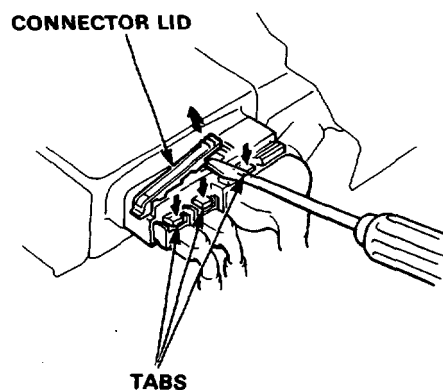
5. Disconnect the connectors at the SRS Unit and Fuse holder:

CAUTION: Avoid breaking the double-locked connectors on the SRS unit and fuse holder.

The connectors are double-locked; to remove them, first lift the connector lid with a thin screwdriver, then press the connector tab down and pull the connector out.

To reinstall a connector, push it into position until it clicks, then close the connector lid.

SRS Unit:



Fuse Holder:

