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Ford Escort with airbag and seat belt tensioner, from 01.02.95 to 01.01.97

Airbag warning light flashes

If there are complaints about the above-mentioned fault, it could be caused by too much resistance in the connector between the cable loom from the airbag/seat belt tensioner and the main cable loom. In this case a new connector must be soldered in place.

Proceed as follows:

- Disconnect the battery and wait at least two minutes before carrying out further steps.
- With vehicles from model year 01.08.1996 onwards, the yellow connector concerned is installed on the driver's side. In the case of older vehicles, the connector is installed on the passenger side at the top next to the engine control unit.
- Remove the side trim in the front footwell.
- Expose the yellow connector. Undo the plugconnection.
- Undo the harness holders far enough for the new connector to be soldered onto the cable loom.
- Remove the protective sleeve from the cable loom, and cut the cable to the correct length. The cable loom with new connector must be exactly the same length as the old connector!
- Insulate the ends of the cables.
- Connect the cables of the new connector to the cable loom using CWT selder connectors self soldering joints (Hella no.: 8KW 744 888-003). Make sure that the pin allocation (cable colour) is correct.
- Connect the connectors and fasten in place using harness holders. Refit the remaining components in reverse order.
- Delete the fault memory.



