Bulletin



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Mercedes-Benz C-Class (W203) + CLK (C209) Until model year: 12/2002

Bulb failure / combination rear lamps

Premature or frequent failure of the combination rear lamp bulbs (position light) may occur in the case of the above vehicles.

As the vehicle electrical system voltage is between 13.4 – 14.8 volts, and therefore above the rated voltage of the bulbs, the "service life" of the bulbs is greatly reduced. In order to counteract this, retrofit adapter cables with higher resistance are available from the vehicle manufacturer. This reduces the voltage by approximately 1 volt. Each adapter cable is retrofitted on the right and left, between the combination rear lamp connector and the combination rear lamp. Vehicles from model year December 2002 are equipped with a modified wiring harness as standard.



