



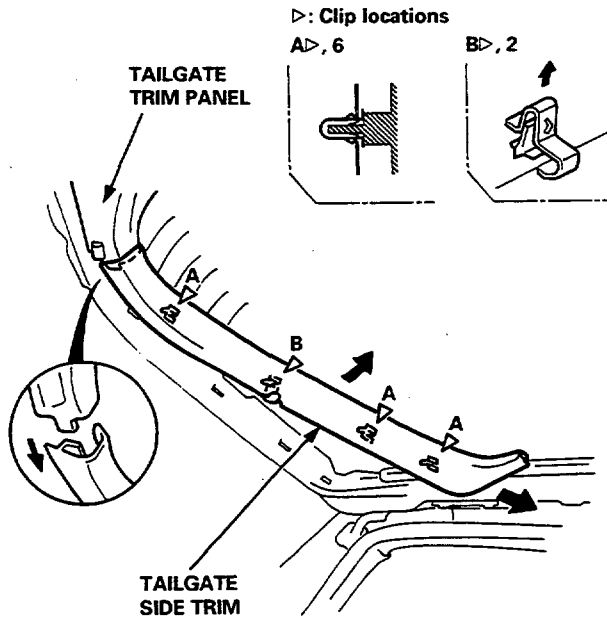
Tailgate

Replacement

NOTE:

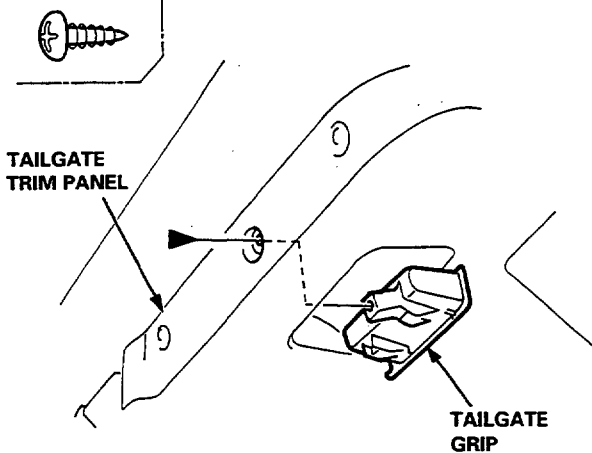
- An assistant is helpful when removing the tailgate.
- Take care not to damage the tailgate and body.
- Take care not to scratch the tailgate side trim and tailgate trim panel.
- Open the tailgate, then remove the rear shelf (see page 20-56).
- If so equipped, remove the tailgate spoiler (see page 20-102).

1. Remove the tailgate side trim on each side.



2. Remove the tailgate grip.

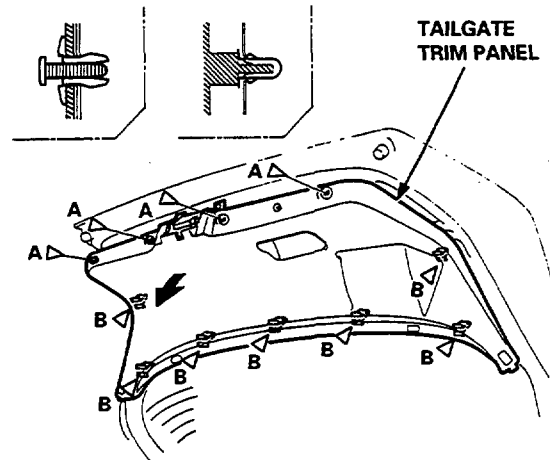
▷: Screw location, 1



3. Remove the tailgate trim panel.

▷: Clip locations

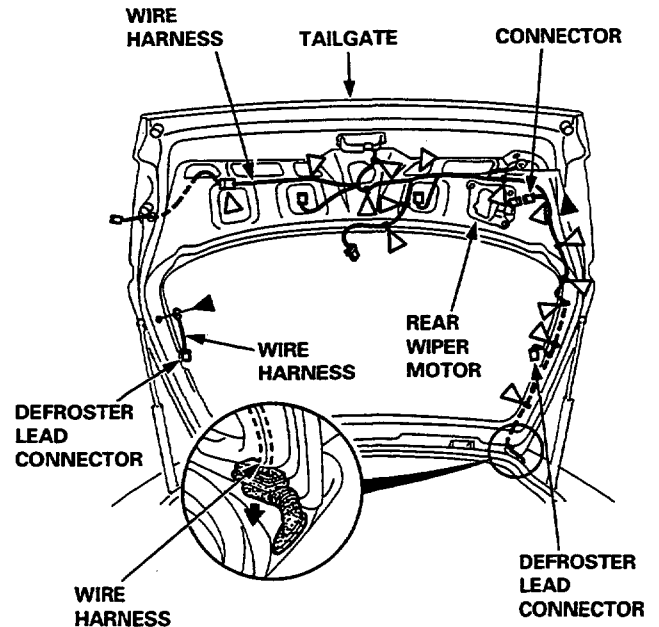
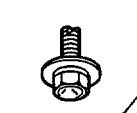
A▷, 4 B▷, 7



4. Disconnect the defroster lead connectors and rear wiper motor connector, then remove the wire harnesses from the tailgate.

▷: Special bolt locations, 2

▷: Clip locations



5. Remove the rear window wiper motor (see page 20-100).

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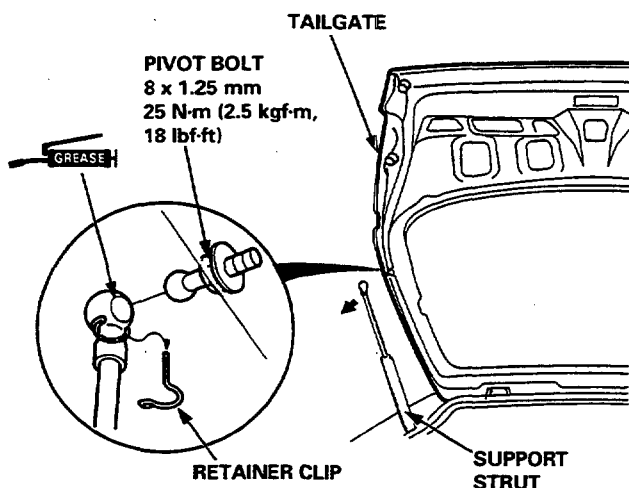
Tailgate

Replacement (cont'd)

6. Remove the upper portion of the rear pillar trim panel (see page 20-57).
7. Remove the rear roof trim, then pull the rear of the headliner down (see page 20-59).

NOTE: Take care not to bend the headliner.

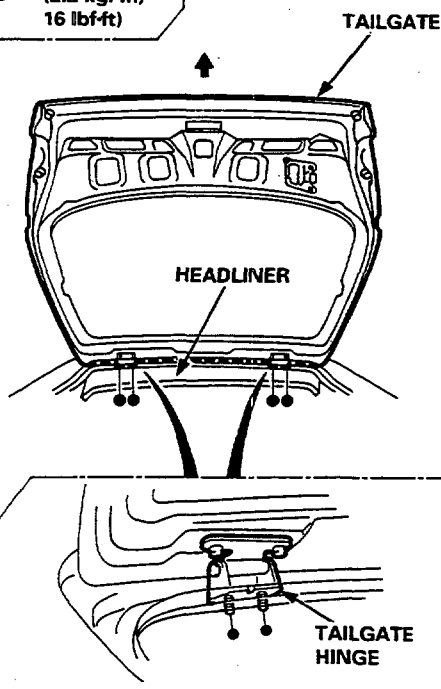
8. Remove the support strut on each side while holding the tailgate.



9. Remove the nuts, then remove the tailgate.

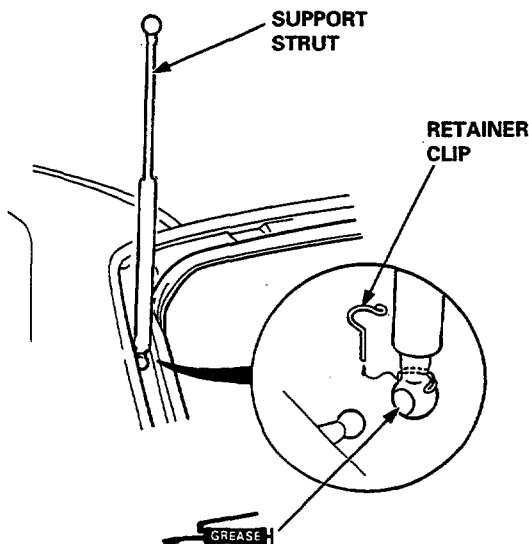
●: Nut locations, 4

8 x 1.25 mm
22 N·m
(2.2 kgf·m,
16 lbf·ft)



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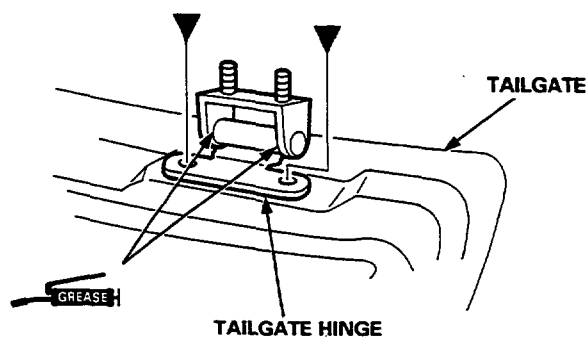
- If necessary, remove the support strut.



- If necessary, remove the tailgate hinge.

►: Bolt locations, 4

6 x 1.0 mm
9.8 N·m (1.0 kgf·m,
7.2 lbf·ft)



10. Installation is the reverse of the removal procedure.

NOTE:

- If necessary, replace any damaged clips.
- Make sure the connectors are connected properly.
- Make sure the tailgate locks securely.
- Make sure the tailgate opens properly.
- Adjust the tailgate alignment (see page 20-93).