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**Symptom/Vehicle Issue:** Lift Gate Fitment Adjustments

### Discussion:

Service information will be updated soon to include lift gate adjustments. Below are 4 topics that will assist in adjusting gate fitment. Read through the document to find the adjustment needed for the vehicle you are working on.

1. Adjusting lift gate to body side flush

>>>Note>>> Refer to Service section 31- Collision Information - Technical Specifications - (GAP AND FLUSH DIMENSIONS)

Flush at the sides of the lift gate can be adjusted by turning the adjustment bumpers in the lower outboard corners of the lift gate panel (Fig 1). If the gate is over flush on one side screw in the adjusting bumper on that side and evaluate the flushness for any change. Striker adjustment may also be required to achieve fit. Verify auto closing function after adjustment

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Fig 1 Gate Bumper Location

Turn in adjustment bumper to set underflush  
Turn out adjustment bumper bring liftgate overflush

## 2. Adjusting liftgate to body side gaps (Flush & Left/Right)

In some cases re-adjusting the striker is required when refitting the gate

To access the striker, simply remove the rear cover panel by pulling up  
Loosen both bolts on the striker and move as required - retightening when complete (Nominal 27.5 Nm) (Fig 2)

OPTIONAL - Removing the striker altogether can aid in refitting, as it allows the gate to close with no stress. The striker can then be soft torqued, allowing the gate to align the striker. Then open the gate and retighten the striker.

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Fig 2 Striker Cover Removed.

### 3. Tail Light to Liftgate Alignment

Tail lights on body are adjustable up/down and left and right. Remove plastic cover to expose the 2 fasteners securing the tail light. Loosen the 2 fasteners to allow the tail light to move. Make sure the 3 front ball stud locators are engaged to the body. Move the tail light to the desired position to adjust then secure the 2 fasteners. Replace the plastic beauty cover.

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Fig 3 Tail Lamp Adjustment

#### 4. Adjusting lift gate to body side gaps (Up/Down & Left/Right)

Open the lift gate and loosen (but do not remove) the four bolts at the hinge to lift gate. The bolts only need to be loose enough to allow the gate to slide. Remove 1 bolt at a time and add medium strength thread locker (such as MOPAR 04318031AB) then re-install leaving the bolt slightly loose before moving to the next bolt. Leaving the gate open, bump the gate side to side to adjust left or right or bump by the hinge forward/rearward to adjust the lift gate up/down. Upon completion of adjustments, re-tighten each fastener (Nominal 30 Nm). Refer to image 4. Verify the seal still contacts to lift gate at the upper portion.

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Fig 4 Gate Up/Down Fore/Aft Adjustment

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