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Symptom/Vehicle Issue: Washer Light On And Will Not Turn Off After Adding Washer Solvent.

Discussion: Vehicles that use a continuity "prong" style washer level sensor are designed to work with most alcohol-based washer solvents. Rain repellant washer solvents have been found to coat the sensor tips with a silicone or wax residue that will not allow accurate washer fluid level sensing. Some of the rain repellant washer solvents are orange in color but may not necessarily be.



Coated sensor tips.



Clean sensor tips.

If washer fluid level sensor contamination is suspect the sensor should be removed and cleaning attempted prior to replacement.

 Drain the washer reservoir. Remove and inspect the fluid level sensor for fluid coating buildup on the sensor pins.

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- 2. If coated, clean the pins with soap and water or isopropyl alcohol (rubbing alcohol).
- 3. After cleaning, install the cleaned sensor and refill the reservoir with standard blue washer fluid. If the washer light on condition is now resolved inform the owner of the cause and correction. Inform them that continued use of the rain repellant washer solvent may reduce detection performance of the level sensor.

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