

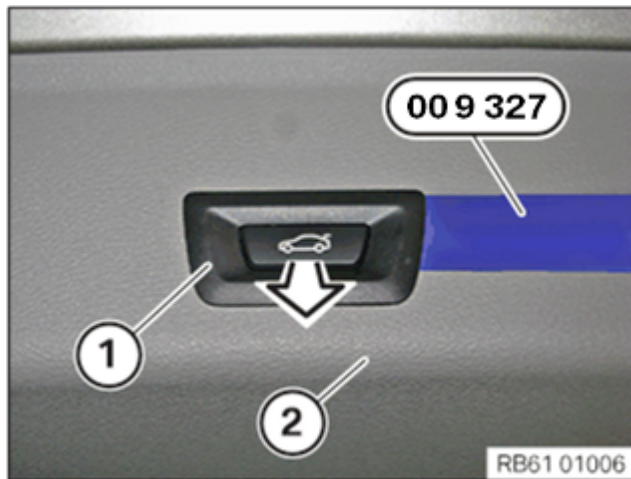
63 21 279 Remove and install rear left light of tailgate

PRELIMINARY WORK

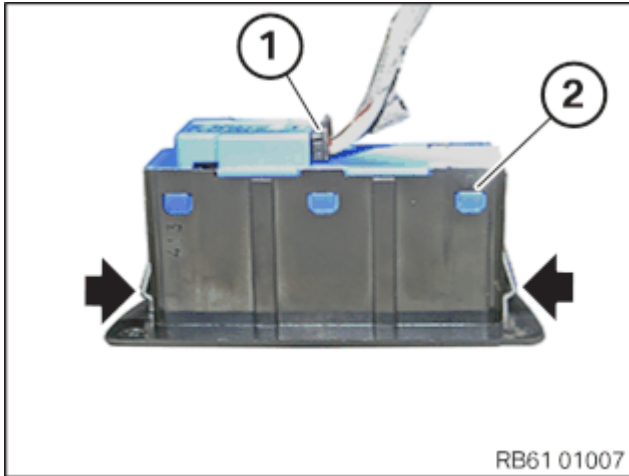
1 – Removing the tailgate lift switch

Prerequisite

Tailgate is open.

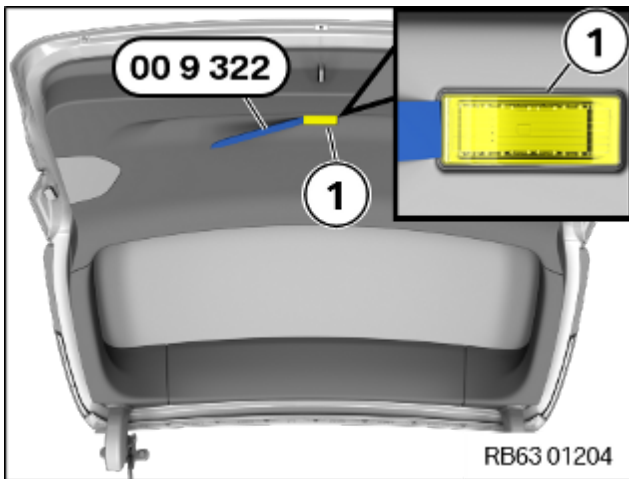


- Using the special tool **0 496 571 (00 9 327)**, lever the switch (1) out of the tailgate trim panel (2) in the direction of arrow.



- Unlock the plug connection (1) on the switch (2) and disconnect. The locks (arrows) must not be damaged.

2 – Removing luggage compartment light on tailgate



- Lever out the luggage compartment light (1) with the special tool **0 490 527 (00 9 310)**.
- Disconnect associated plug connection.

3 – Remove hinge cover (rear window) left and right



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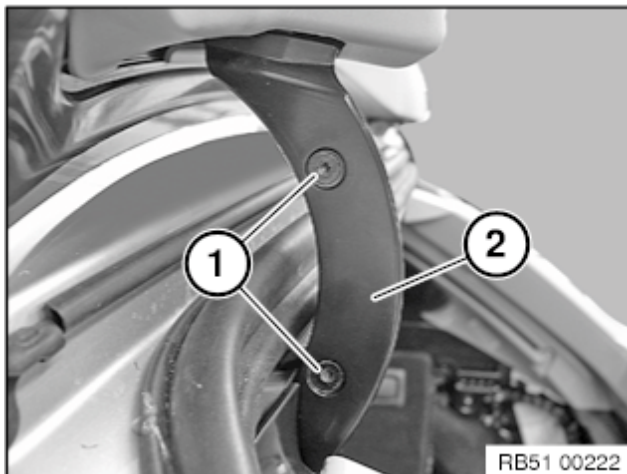
► Removing the hinge cover (rear window)



Careless handling of tools and sharp-edged components.

Scratch, surface damage.

- Protect working area.
- Handle tools and components carefully.



- Loosen screws (1).
- Feed out cover (2) on hinge and place to one side.

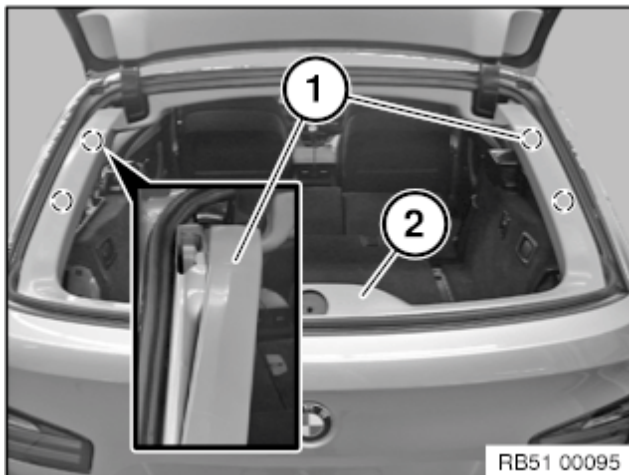
4 – Removing the trim panel of the bottom rear window frame



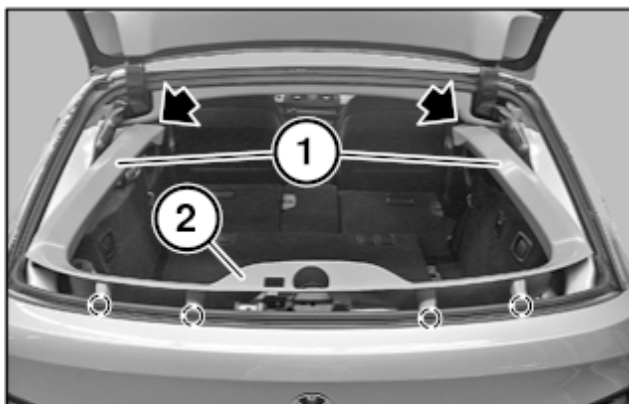
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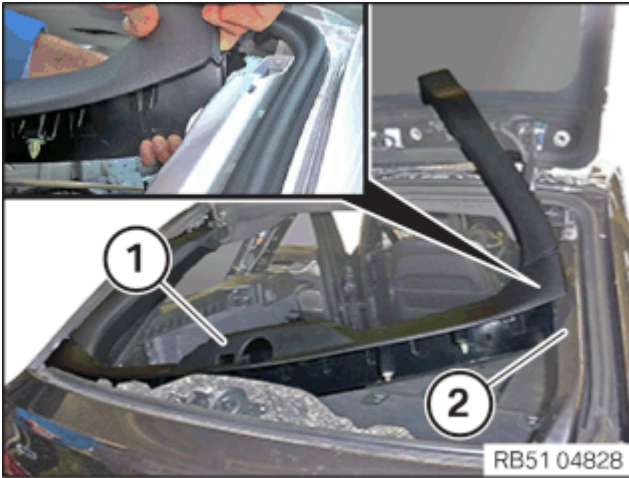


- Carefully unclip the left and right shanks (1) of the trim panel for the rear window frame (2) to the inside without using any tools.



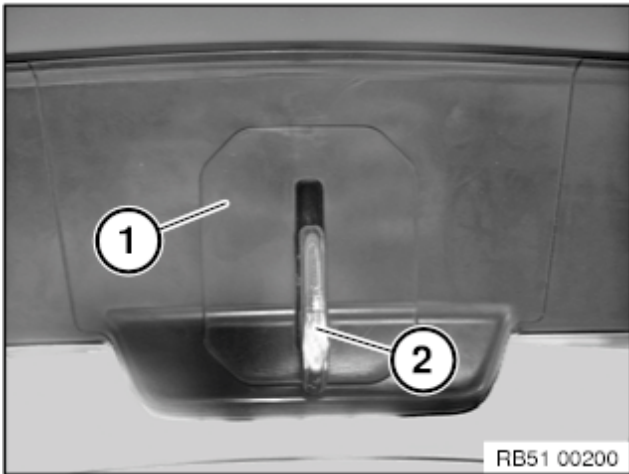
- Route both shanks (1) of the trim panel for the rear window frame (2) further in the direction of the vehicle interior.
- While doing so, unclip the trim panel of the rear window frame (2) downwards.

Note: The trim panel breaks at the predetermined breaking point during the installation.

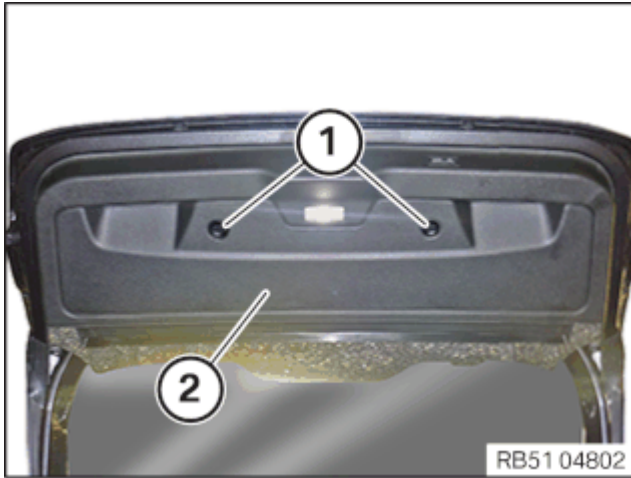


- Carefully route the trim panel for the rear window frame (2) with the right shank (1) over the right rear window frame (3).
- Remove the trim panel for the rear window frame (2) to the rear and set it aside.

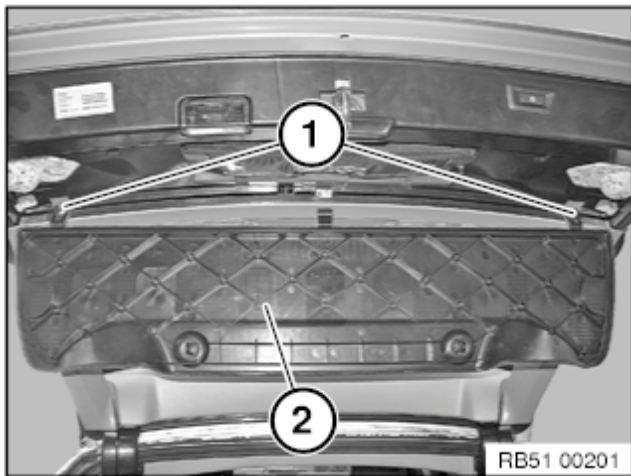
5 – Remove tailgate trim panel



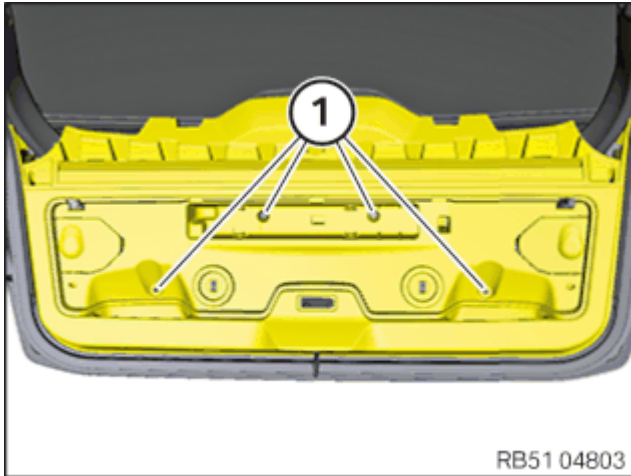
- Unclip the cover (1) from the locking bracket (2) and lay it aside.



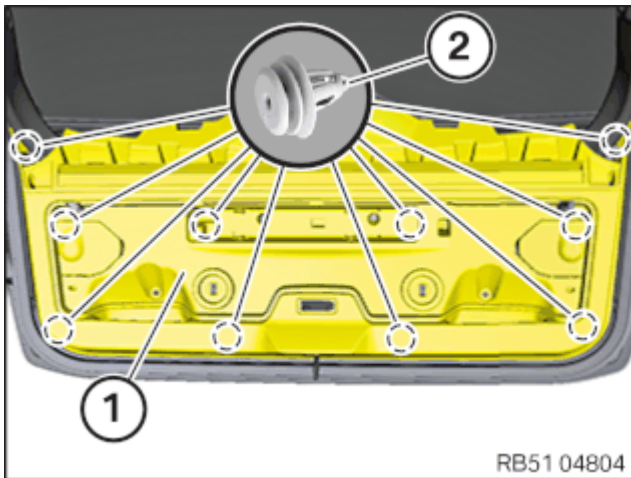
- Open screw cap (1).
- Fold the cover of the rear light, tailgate (2) towards the bottom.



- Detach the lid in the tailgate from the brackets (1) on the left and right. Lay the lid in the tailgate (2) aside.



- Remove warning triangle and release the screws (1).

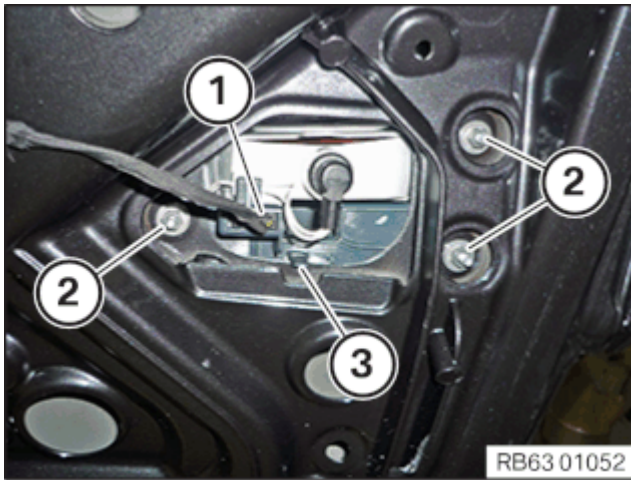


- Detach the tailgate trim panel (1) from the clips (2) and remove.

MAIN WORK

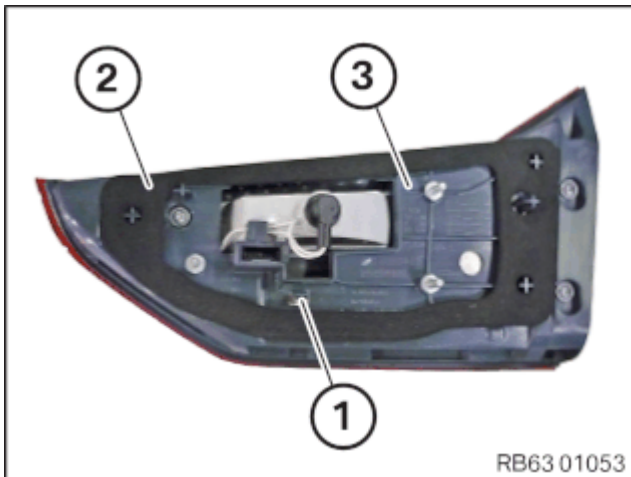
6 – Remove the rear light on the left of the tailgate

► Remove the rear light on the tailgate



- Unlock and disconnect connector (1).
- Loosen nuts (2).
- Loosen the latch mechanisms (3).
- Remove the rear light towards rear.

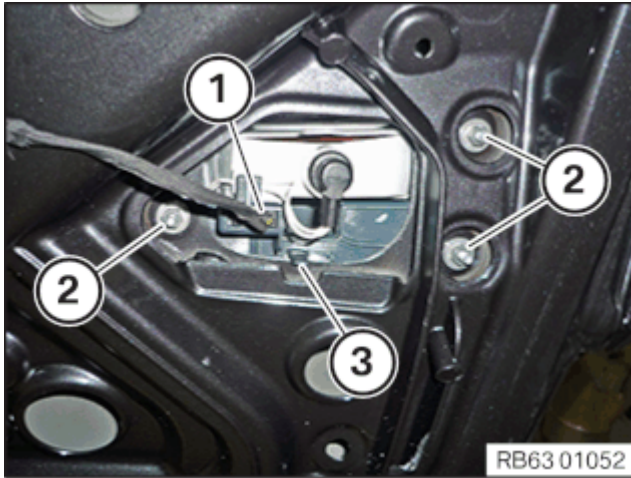
7 – Install the rear light on the tailgate on the left



► Install the rear light on the tailgate

- Check the retaining lug (1) on the rear light (3) for damage.
- Renew the gasket (2).

Part: Gasket



- Position the rear light in the tailgate such that the retaining lug (3) engages.
- Tighten nuts (2).

Rear light at tailgate

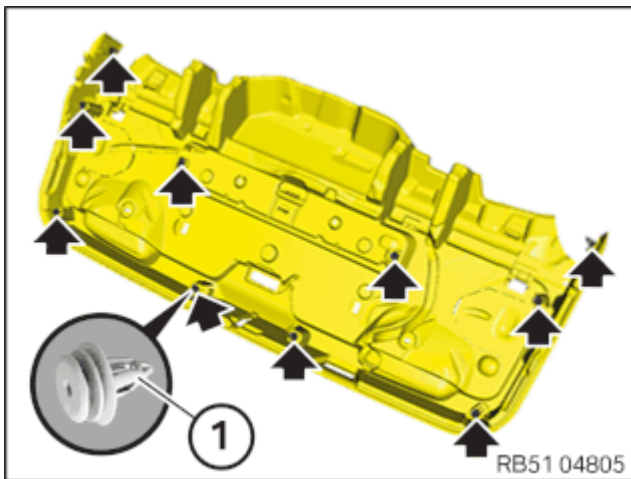
nutM6

2,6 Nm

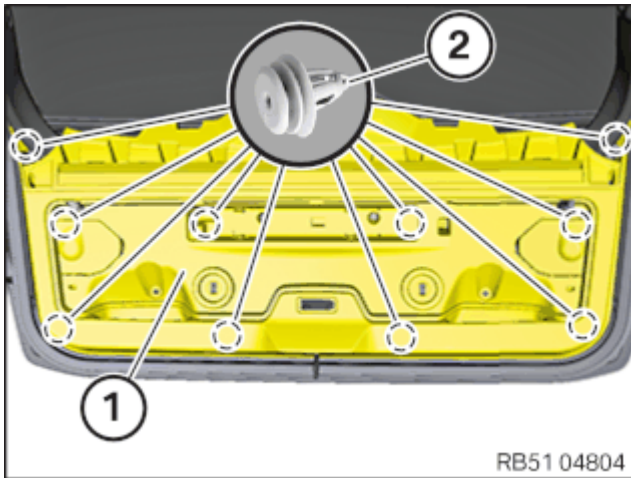
- Connect connectors (1) and lock.

POSTPROCESSES

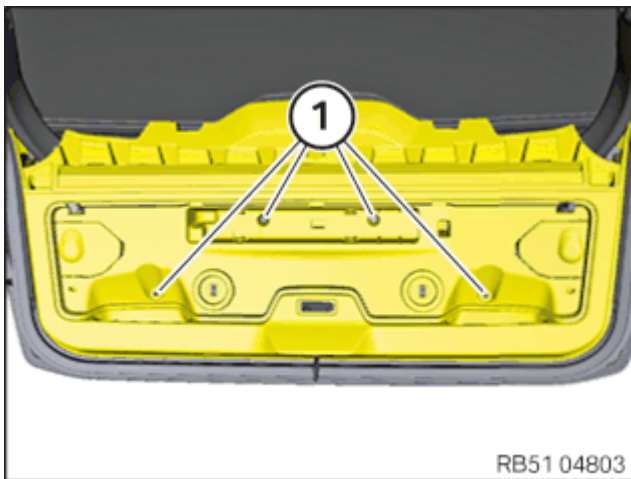
8 – Installing the tailgate trim panel



- Check all clips (1) for damage and replace if necessary.



- Position the tailgate trim panel (1) and secure it using the clips (2).

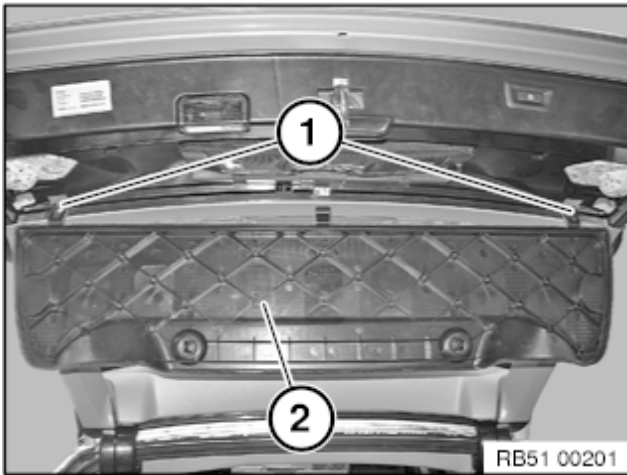


- Tighten the screws (1).

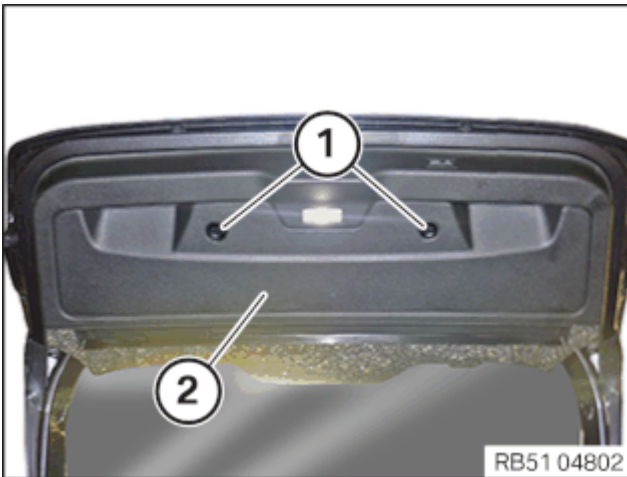
Tailgate trim panel to tailgate

Screw

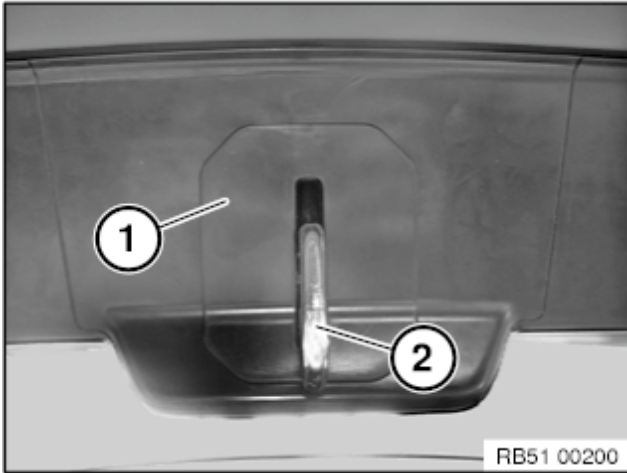
1,8 Nm



- Install warning triangle.
- Attach the lid in the tailgate at the brackets (1) on the left and right.



- Fold the lid in the tailgate (2) towards the top.
- Close the screw cap (1).



- Position and clip in the cover (1) of the locking bracket (2).

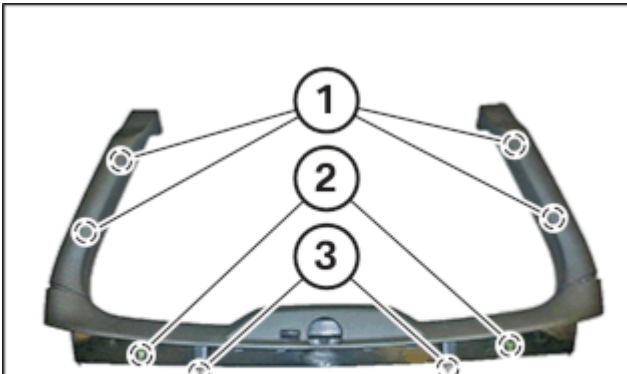
9 – Installing the trim panel for the bottom rear window frame



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- Check the clips (1), (2) and (3) of the rear window frame trim panel for damage before installation.

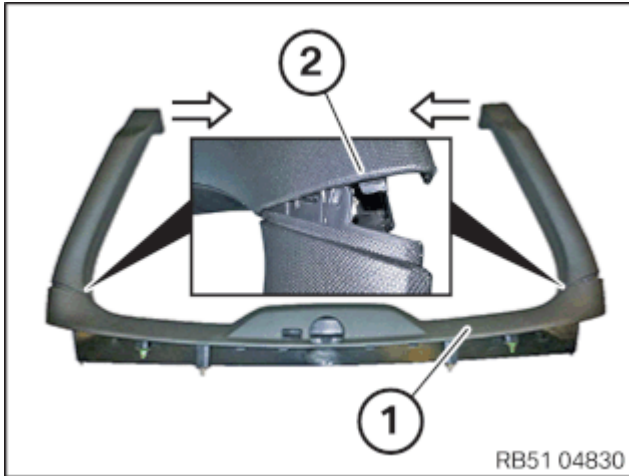
Replace faulty clips .

- Make sure the clips are positioned correctly:

(1)Yellow

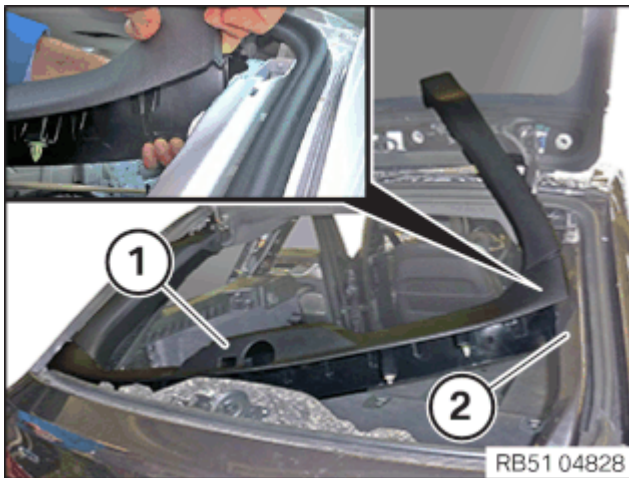
(2)Green

(3)Brown

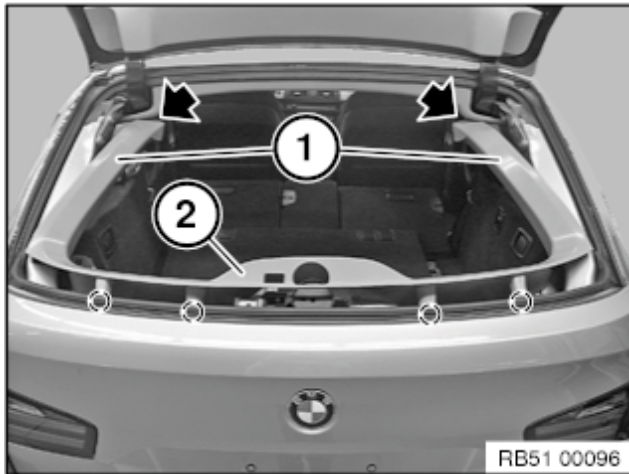


- **Replacement:**

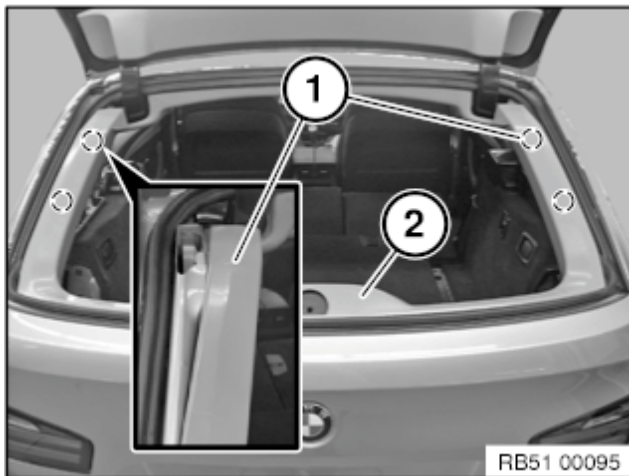
Press together the trim panel (1) on the left and right in the direction of the arrow to release the transportation retainer (welding) (2).



- Position the trim panel for the rear window frame (1) in one of the corners at the bottom. Slightly bend up the shank of the opposite side by hand and carefully guide it over the rear window frame (2).



- Route both shanks (1) of the trim panel for the rear window frame (2) further in the direction of the rear window frame.
- Position and clip in the trim panel for the rear window frame (2) at the bottom.



- Position and clip in the left and right shank (1) of the trim panel for the rear window frame (2) at the rear window frame.

Note: Make sure the predetermined breaking point once again correctly locks around the corner of the rear window frame trim panel.

10 – Installing the left and right hinge cover (rear window)



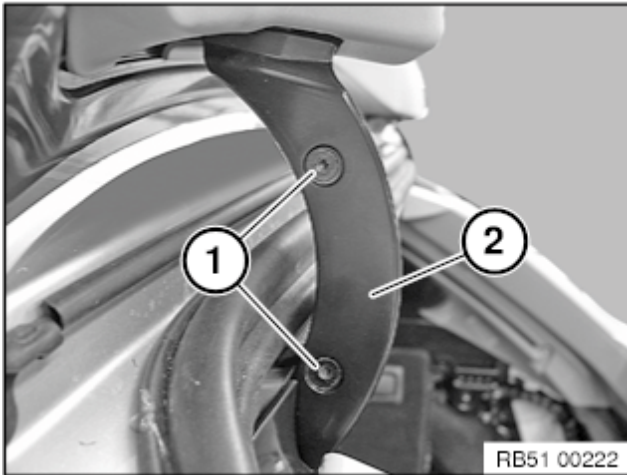
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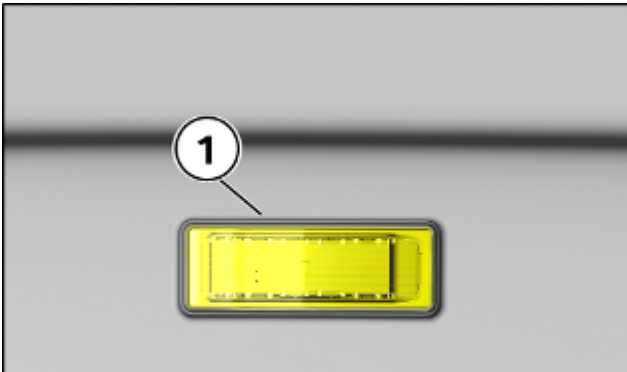


- Feed in the cover (2) on the hinge and position it.
- Tighten the screws (1).

Hinge cover

| | | |
|-------|-------------------|--------|
| Screw | Tightening torque | 1,4 Nm |
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11 – Installing luggage compartment light on tailgate

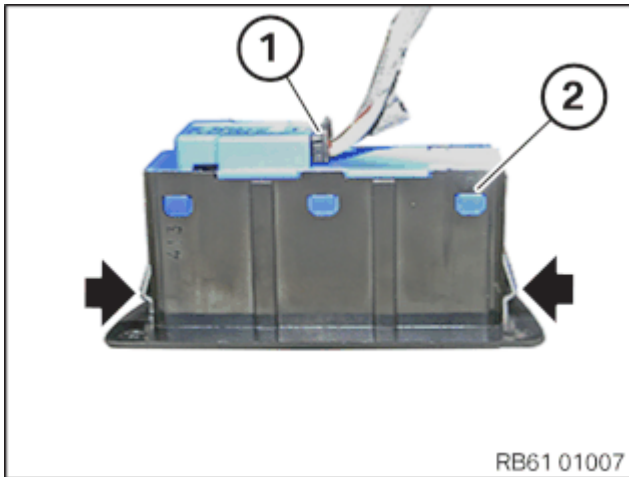


- Connect associated connector.
- Install the luggage compartment light (1).

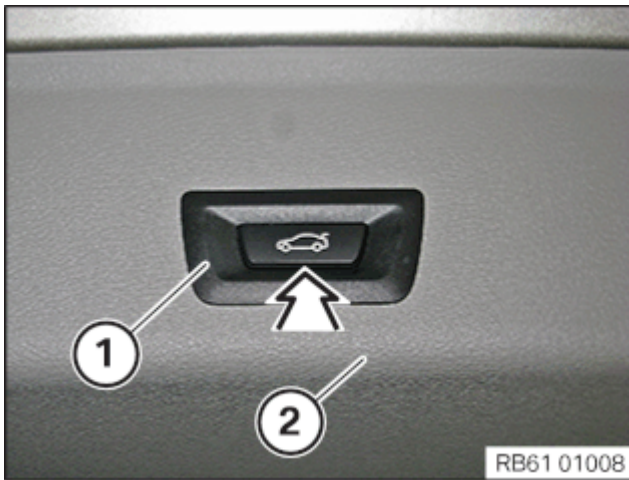
12 – Install the tailgate lift switch

Prerequisite

Tailgate is open.



- Connect the connector (1) with the switch (2) and lock it.
- Check the locks (arrows) for damage and renew the switch (2) if necessary.



- Install the switch (1) in the tailgate trim panel(2) in the direction of arrow.

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Rear light at tailgate

Used in step [7](#)

nutM6 2,6 Nm

Tailgate trim panel to tailgate

Used in step [8](#)

Screw 1,8 Nm

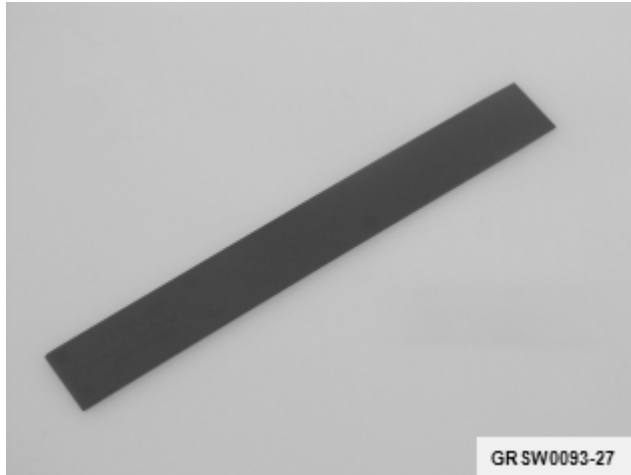
Hinge cover

Used in step [10](#)

Screw Tightening torque 1,4 Nm

Overview of Special Tools

0 496 571 (00 9 327) Wedge

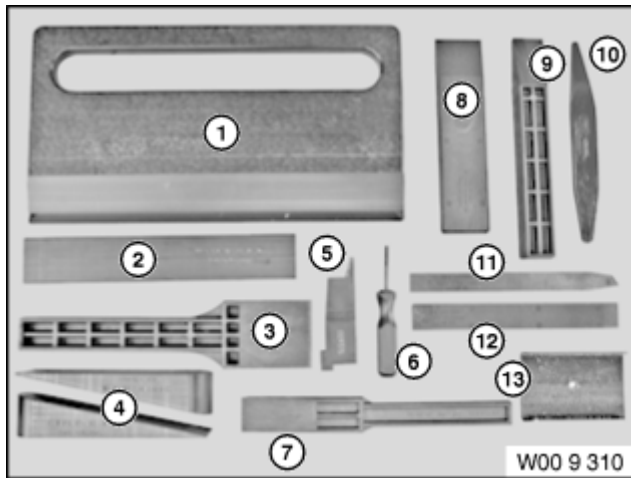


Common

Used in step [1](#)

| | |
|------------------------------|---|
| Usage | (Cleaning wedge) From 11/2008 this special tool replaces trim panel wedge 00 9 323 (different material) |
| Included in the tool or work | 0 490 527 |
| Storage location | Individual |
| Replaced by | |
| In connection with | |
| SI-Number | 01 07 09 (530) |

0 490 527 (00 9 310) Wedge



Common

Used in step [2](#)

| | |
|------------------------------|---|
| Usage | (Panel wedges (set in plastic case)) For straightening and installation work on the vehicle, e.g. feeding in trim panels, removing window cavity strips, removing minor dents, removing adhesive residue, measuring gap widths, levering out trim panels --> 12 pieces (item 6 = 009316 discontinued since 2009). |
| Included in the tool or work | |
| Storage location | Individual |
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