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### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION!**

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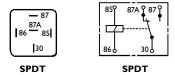
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### ABOUT BOSCH RELAYS

A **relay** is an "electromechanical" device that uses a coil (electro) to move switch contacts (mechanical). The coil can be energized with a small amount of power while the switch contacts can be used for any number of applications including switching high power circuits or reversing the polarity of a control signal. A typical 12-volt relay requires a coil current of .150 amps to energize. The relay contacts can switch currents up to 30 amps. The power "gain" of this relay is as high as 200 to 1, and is one reason relays are often found in high current automotive circuits. In most circuits, a relatively weak signal or trigger is used to make the relay control a higher current or voltage circuit. The output of a trigger actuates the coil, which closes (or opens) the much heavier duty contacts, allowing the desired action to result. The main components of a relay are the **coil**, the spring, and the contacts. These components determine how the relay is to be rated by the manufacturer and used by the installer. Below is an illustration of the bottom of a relay.



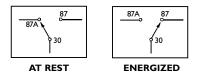
Element descriptions to the above two diagrams follow:

**85, 86** - Coil. This is what is powered, either by a 12-volt trigger to 85 (or 86) with 86 (or 85) to ground, or with a negative trigger (com-

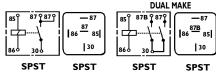
mon on alarm systems) to 85 (or 86), and 12-volt CONSTANT to the other pin (86 or 85). Basically, it doesn't matter whether pin 85 or 86 is used for ground or 12 volt if the relay does not have a diode across the coil. Bosch states that 86 should be the 12V connection and 85 should be the ground since newer relays come with an internal diode. By using either of the previous methods, the coil will magnetically actuate, opening contacts 30 and 87A, while closing 30 and 87. This type of relay is known as a single pole, double throw (SPDT).

30 - Terminal 30 is common. One side of whatever is being controlled goes here.

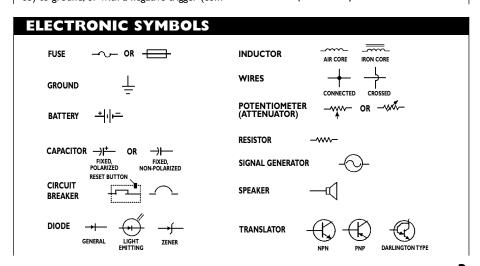
**30, 87A** - Normally closed (N/C). **30, 87** - Normally open (N/O).



The following diagrams show the other types of commonly used automotive relays:

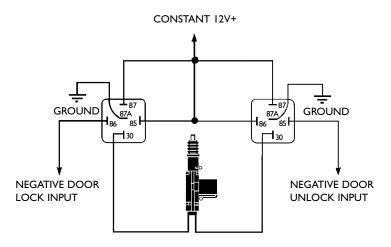


Whenever installing a relay, use a quenching diode between terminals 85 and 86, with a cathode to the positive terminal to prevent the inductive spike on relay turn-off.



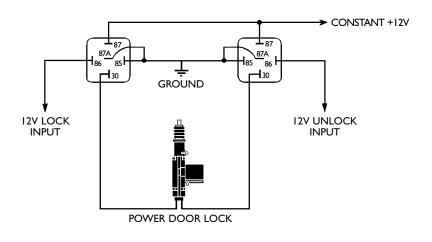
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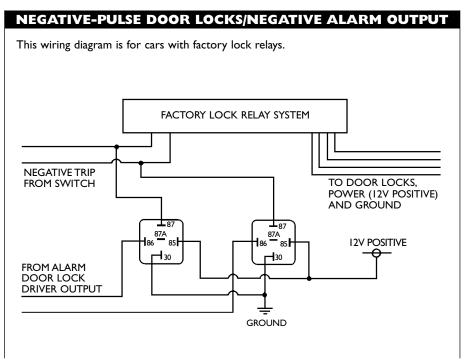
Negative door lock and unlock output reversing polarity.

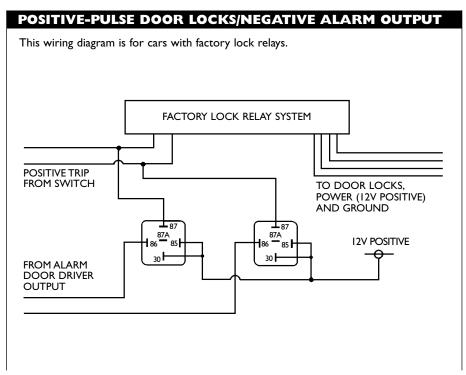


### **ADDING DOOR LOCKS - POSITIVE ALARM TRIGGER**

Adding a door actuator using door lock and unlock circuit, reversing polarity positive 12V output.

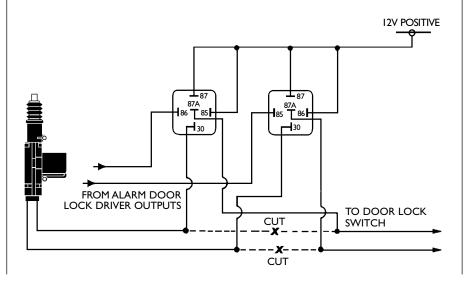






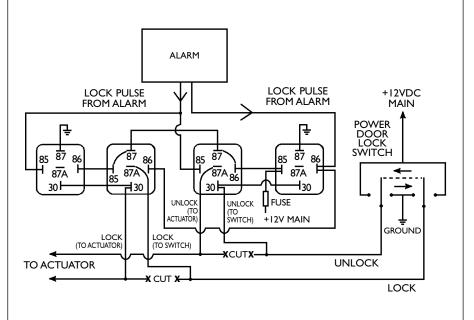
### REVERSE POLARITY DOOR LOCKS/REST AT GROUND

Wires for factory reversing polarity locks will show constant ground (–) when not in use. When cutting the factory wires, the wires retaining the constant ground are the switch (or relay) outputs.



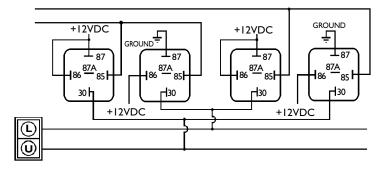
### REVERSE POLARITY DOOR LOCKS/REST OPEN CIRCUIT (A)

For Toyota Vans 1983 to 1985.



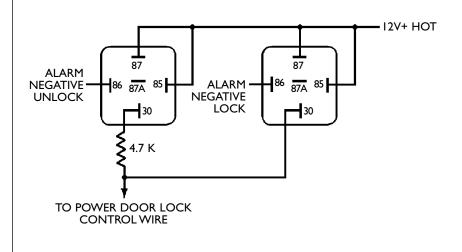
### REVERSE POLARITY DOOR LOCK/REST OPEN CIRCUIT(B)

Alarm with (-) outputs.



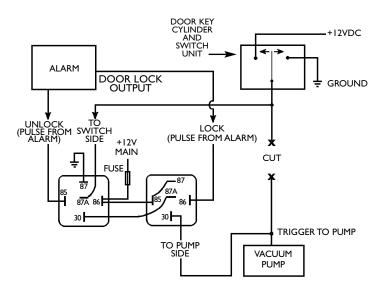
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Green/Black wire in door lock module is located in the passenger's kick panel.



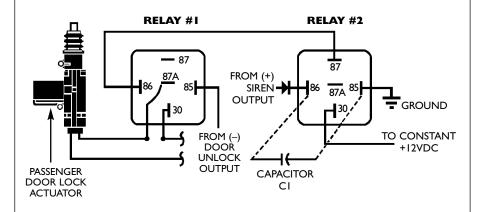
### **DOOR LOCK SYSTEM USING VACUUM PUMP**

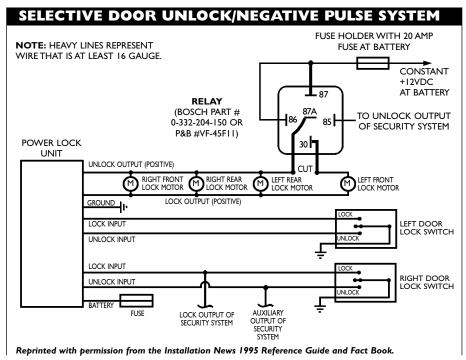
Pump is activated by reversing polarity on single lead from door lock cylinder/switch to vacuum pump.

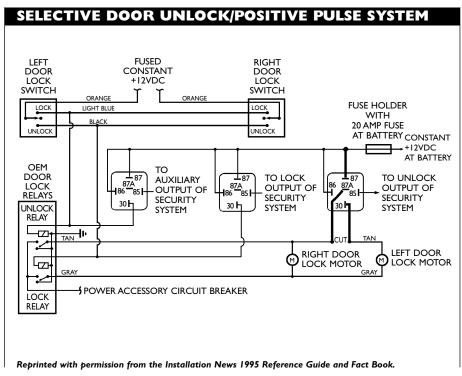


### PASSENGER DOOR UNLOCK BYPASS CIRCUIT

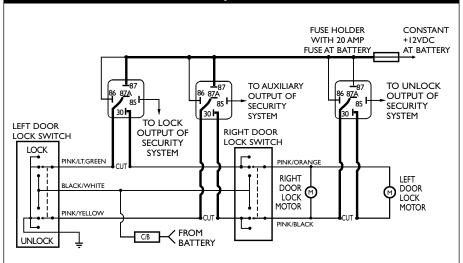
The value of CAPACITOR CI controls how long RELAY #2 will remain energized once the siren chirp(s) stop. This value should be adjusted to make sure RELAY #2 is energized when the door unlock pulse comes through. Start with 4,700 uF, and increase by 4,700uF for every .50 to .75 seconds of delay time desired.







### SELECTIVE DOOR UNLOCK/REVERSE POLARITY SYSTEM

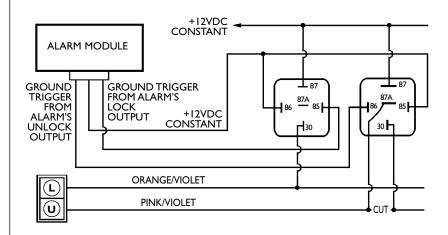


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### SPECIALTY DOOR LOCKS/93 CHRYSLER/DODGE

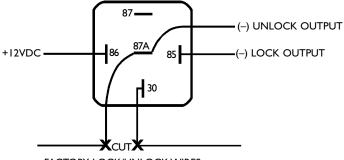
For 1993 Chrysler LeBaron and Dodge Daytona doors. The lock and unlock wires can be found in the passenger's side kick panel, behind the computer. Test lock and unlock from driver's door switches.



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### SPECIALTY DOOR LOCKS/(-) PULSE/INTERRUPT - NISSAN

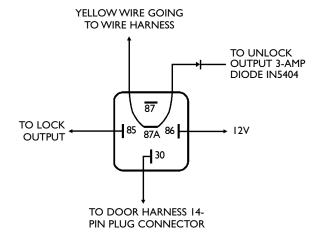
(-) pulse to unlock, interrupt circuit to lock.



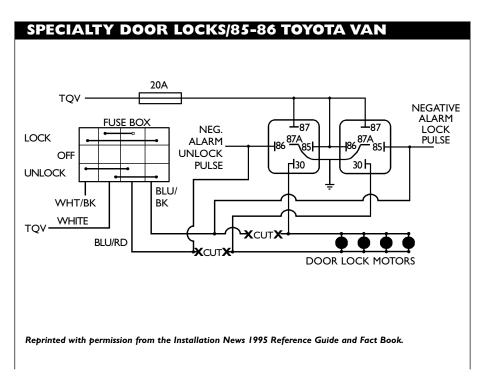
FACTORY LOCK/UNLOCK WIRES NISSAN '90-'93 240SX: ORANGE/BLACK NISSAN '92-'93 300SX: BROWN

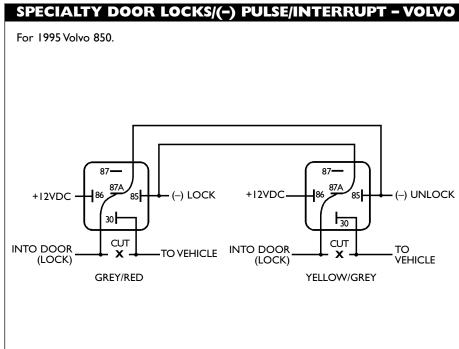
### **SPECIALTY DOOR LOCKS/1994 RANGE ROVER**

The Range Rover has a one-wire door lock/unlock system. Use a negative pulse to unlock door and intercept circuit through a relay to lock door. Both lock and unlock are located in the driver's kick panel at the 14-pin connector.

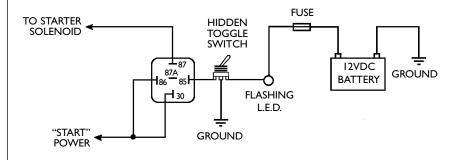


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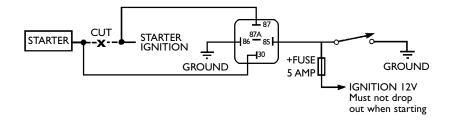


### STARTER KILL VIA HIDDEN TOGGLE SWITCH



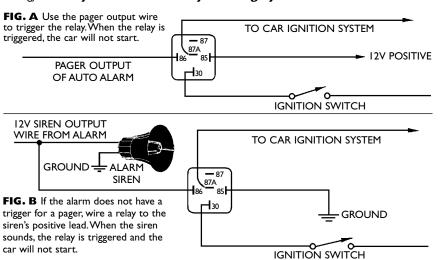
### HIDDEN TOGGLE STARTER DISABLE/EXTRA SECURITY

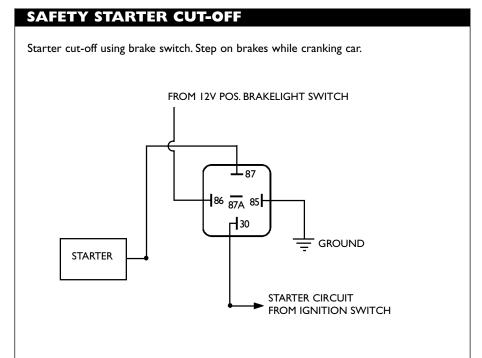
Place fuse in a hidden, but accessible, place for customer to replace. If car is attempted to be started when switch is in ON position, the fuse will blow and car will be unable to start, even if switch is located and placed to the off position.



### IGNITION KILL CIRCUIT

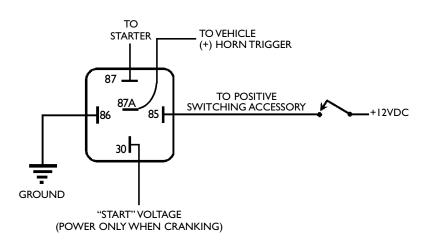
To prevent car from starting after the alarm has been triggered and until alarm is reset, you can wire a relay to a car's ignition system. **NOTE:** When doing any ignition kill circuitry, it is recommended (when possible) that connections be made at the terminals or connectors, as opposed to splicing into the wiring. This enables you to wire in series rather than interrupting. (Most vehicle manufacturers have some stipulations concerning alterations in ignition system wiring). **Check your car's warranty thoroughly.** 





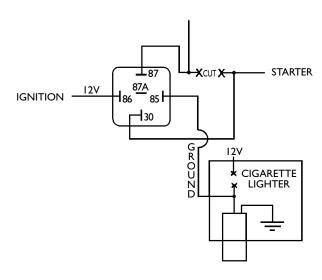
### STEALTH STARTER INTERRUPT

This basic security system uses any positive switching accessory (brake, parking light, high beams, etc.) to allow or not allow the vehicle to start. If the accessary used is not engaged before and during the cranking of the engine, the horn will sound and the starter will not operate.



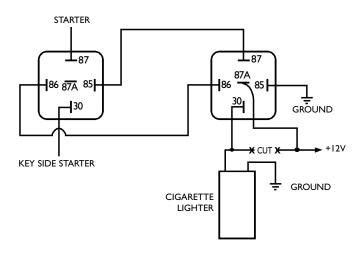
### STARTER DISABLE/CIGARETTE LIGHTER INOPERATIVE

This diagram uses a Cigarette Lighter as a ground activated switch:



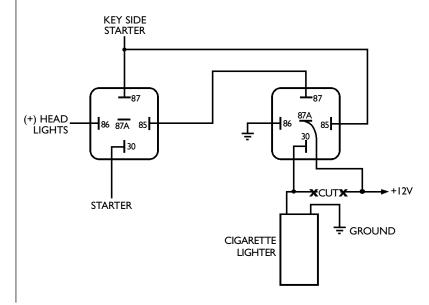
### STARTER DISABLE/CIGARETTE LIGHTER OPERATIVE

This circuit uses a cigarette lighter as a ground activated switch for a starter disable, without disabling the use of the cigarette lighter.

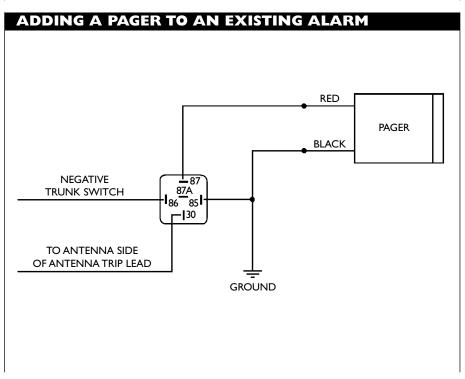


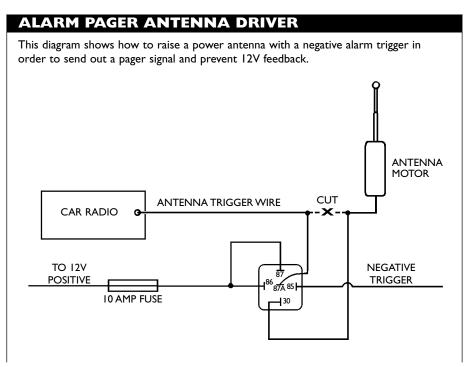
### **KEYLESS ENTRY W/CIGARETTE LIGHTER/EXTRA SECURITY**

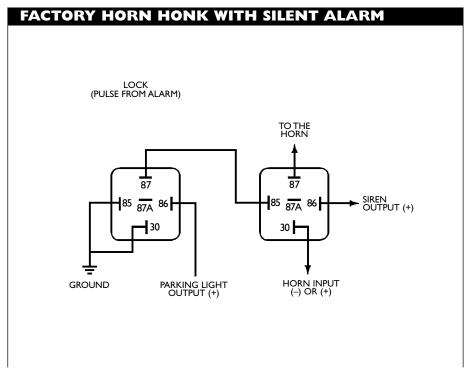
In this circuit the cigarette lighter must be pushed-in and the headlights must be turned on in order for the car to start. This also enables the use of the cigarette lighter.

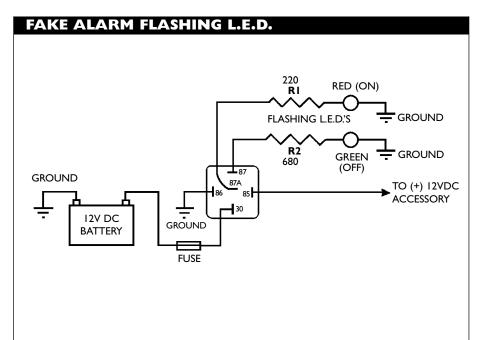


### ALARM TRIGGER INVERTER Most alarms on the market have both a positive and a negative trigger. Although both are supplied, sometimes only ONE type of trigger can be wired. If you have a car that switches 12V to a dome light and you want to install a motion sensor that supplies a ground, you must invert one of the signals. (i.e. The grounding motion sensor to a 12V sensor.) 12V OUT TO ALARM TRIGGER FIG. A Switches a grounding dome light to a 12V sensor output. ■ 12V POSITIVE 85 DOOR SWITCH **—** 30 **GROUND** - 12V POSITIVE FIG. B Switches a 12V dome GROUND OUT TO ALARM TRIGGER light trigger switch to a ground sensor output <del>1</del>87 8<u>7</u>A GROUND 85 DOOR SWITCH **—**30 The door switches can be motion sensors, shaker boxes, glass sensors...etc., 12V POSITIVE GROUND any trigger you wish to invert.

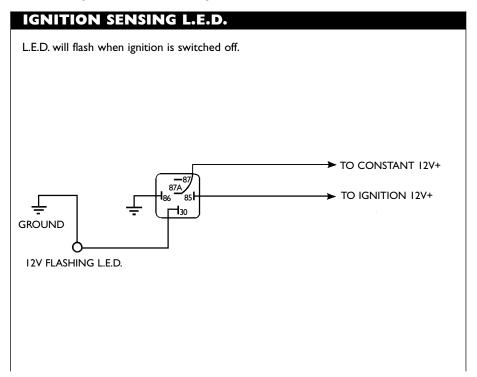






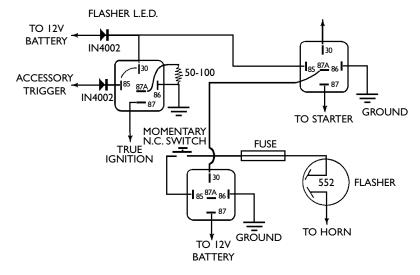


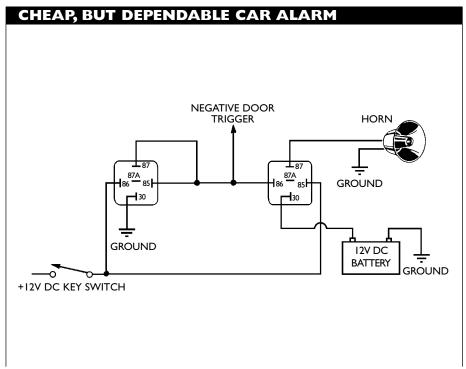
**NOTE:** Any color L.E.D.'s can be used instead of the red and green indicated in the diagram.

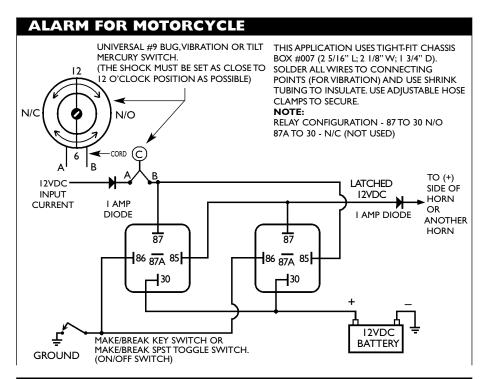


### **SIMPLE AUTO ALARM**

A momentary 12 volt pulse to the accessory trigger input allows vehicle to start. If no pulse is applied, horn will honk until momentary switch is pressed, breaking the latch. LED will flash when ignition is off. Source used for trigger should be able to output 1/2 Amp or more (i.e. turn signal, lights, etc.)





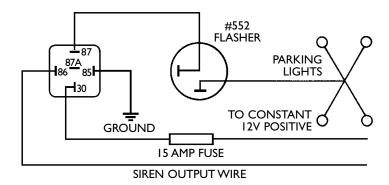


### PARKING LIGHT FLASHING CIRCUIT

This circuit will work with most American, Japanese and Korean cars.

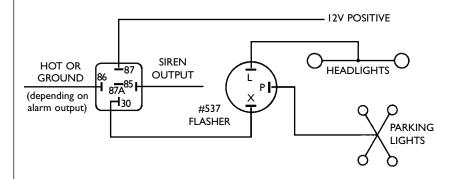
See diagram "Two-Way Flasher" on next page for headlights.

Do not try this circuit to flash headlights as this may cause headlights to burn-out.



### TWO WAY FLASHERS

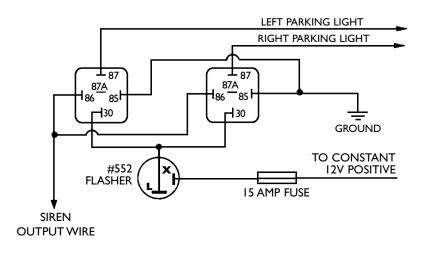
Using a #537 flasher, this circuit enables both parking lights and headlights to flash.



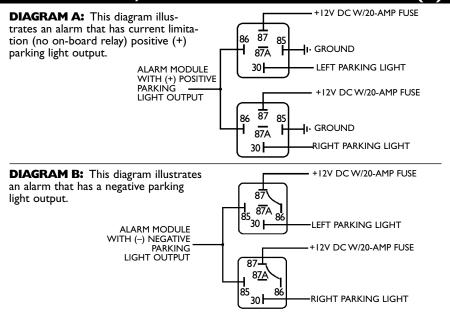
Some installers do not recommend a circuit that flashes headlights!

### **FLASHER CIRCUIT FOR EUROPEAN CARS**

This circuit, using two relays, will work with BMW, Audi, Saab, Mercedez Benz, Jaguar and Rolls Royce. Make sure the car's parking light circuits are independent. (i.e., left from right). Always install a 15 Amp in-line fuse as shown.



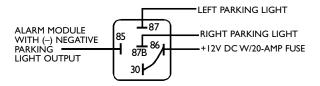




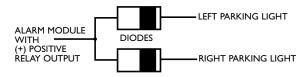
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### SEPARATE LEFT/RIGHT PARKING LIGHT CIRCUITS (B)

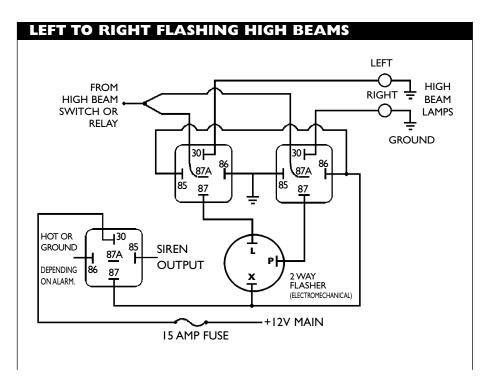
**DIAGRAM C:** This diagram illustrates how to wire a relay that has 2 separate output terminals to isolate left and right parking lights. This application requires a "Green Slash" dual make SPST Relay.

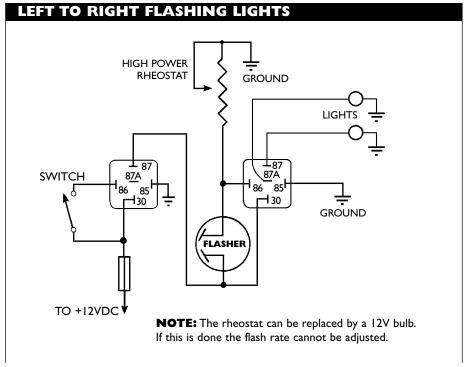


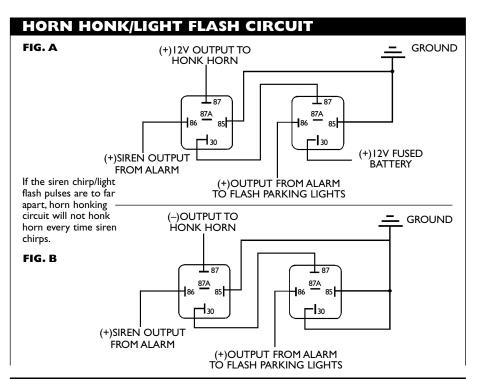
**DIAGRAM D:** This diagram illustrates how to wire 2 diodes to isolate left and right parking lights with an alarm that provides a positive (+) relay output. Consult owners manual for the value of the parking circuit, and determine diode amperage (Minimum value: 6 Amps).



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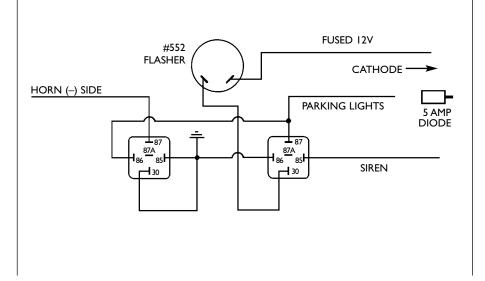






### **FLASHER HONKER CIRCUIT**

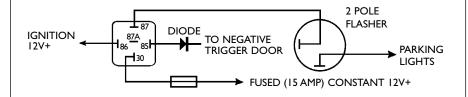
For positive output and flipped-negative output, this application enables you to flash the parking lights and honk the horn.

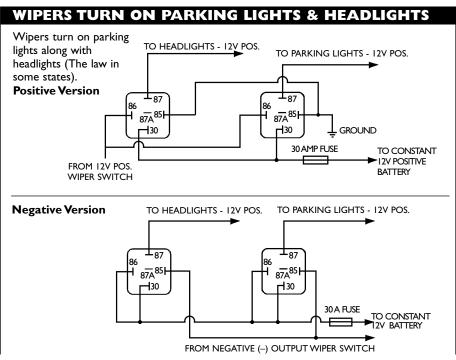


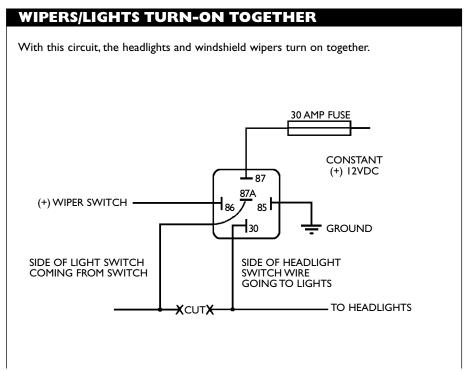
# PARKING LIGHTS PARKING LIGHTS ALARM FLASH NEGATIVE OUTPUT GROUND 12V ALARM SIREN POSITIVE OUTPUT

### **PARKING LIGHT SAFETY FLASHER**

When car is running and the doors have been opened to pickup or discharge passengers, the parking lights automatically flash.





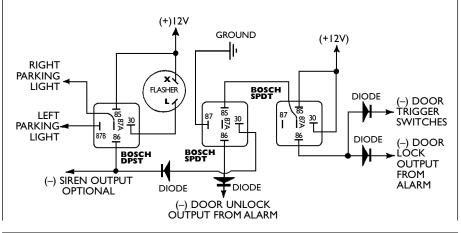


### **COURTESY/CAR IDENTIFIER LIGHTS**

This wiring is only for vehicles with negative door switching and negative door lock/unlock output alarm systems.

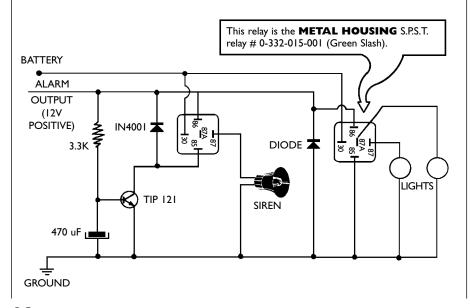
Unit operates the lights when the alarm is disarmed. It alerts the owner as to the location of the vehicle at night and also that the alarm is disarmed.

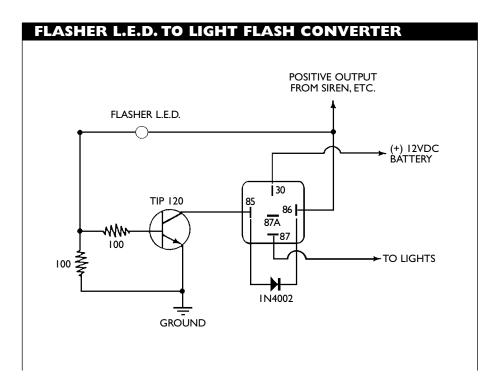
To disengage, the owner must either re-arm the alarm or open the door, thus completing the disarming mode.



### **AUDIBLE "CHIRP" TO VISUAL "BLINK" CONVERSION**

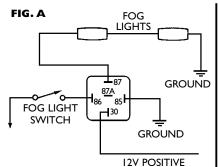
For customers who don't like the "CHIRP" sound made be the alarm when arming and disarming, use the diagram below to convert a chirping alarm to a blinking alarm.



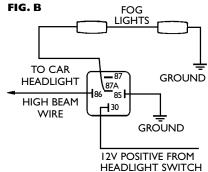


### **BASIC FOG LIGHT SYSTEMS**

The two diagrams below show how to control and isolate low-current switches to high-current fog lights.



**FIG. A** A dash switch is closed, triggering the relay to close and the fog lights to turn on with high-current power from the battery.



**FIG. B** Relay is connected to high beam of car lights so when beams are on, fog lights are off. When low beams are on, fog lights also turn on. When all headlights are off, fog lights shut off.

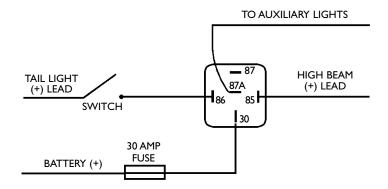
### NOTE

Fog lights will turn on with headlights but will shut off when high beams are used.

### **AUXILIARY FOG LIGHT CONTROL**

This diagram makes use of one relay to control the operation of auxiliary fog lights. This application features:

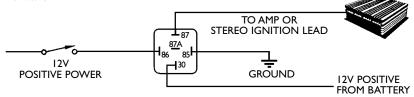
- 1. Preventing the auxiliary lights from being inadvertently left on.
- 2. Does not add any additional load to the light switch circuit.
- 3. Allows for the use of auxiliary lights together with the parking/marker lights.
- 4. Allows for the use of auxiliary lights together with low beam headlights.
- 5. Prevents the use of auxiliary lights together with high beam headlights (Violation in some states)



### IGNITION BYPASS TO ELIMINATE NOISE

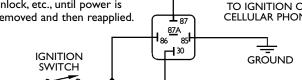
On some import or older model cars, the vehicle's ignition or charging system can cause noise to be picked up by high end audio systems or cellular phones. To eliminate this noise, use the following 2 diagrams.

**FIG A:** When ignition is on, the relay is closed and the stereo/amp system is supplied a clean 12V from the battery. When ignition is off, the relay opens and the stereo system shuts off.



**FIG B:** For car phones, same method as FIG. A is used.

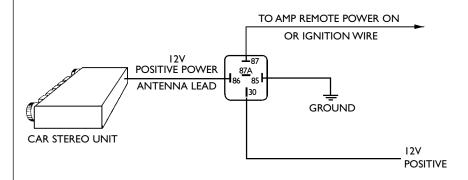
NOTE: A noisy ignition system can cause phones to lock-up CPU systems, kill the battery, not turn on or unlock, etc., until power is TO IGNITION OF removed and then reapplied.



### AMP SYSTEM REMOTE POWER SWITCH

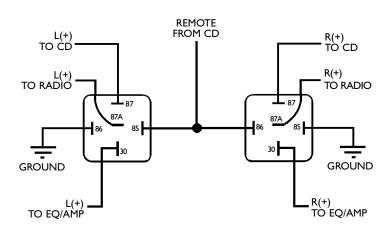
The diagram below displays a remote turn-on system. When the radio is turned on, the relay is triggered. When the radio is turned OFF, the system shuts down.

When the radio is on, the relay closes, the amp or E.Q. system turn-on wires receive I2V power, then the system turns on.



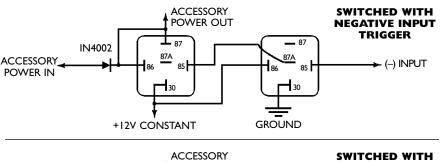
### **SWITCHING MODULE**

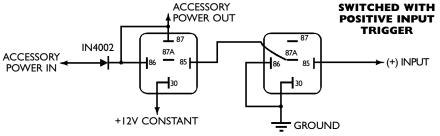
Cut and use L(+) of RCA cable to Bosch Relay #1; R(+) to Bosch Relay #2. All RCA L(+) together; all RCA R(+) also. Remote from radio to turn-on AMPS and EQ. Remote from CD to turn on relays only.



### **ACCESSORY POWER BACK-UP CIRCUIT**

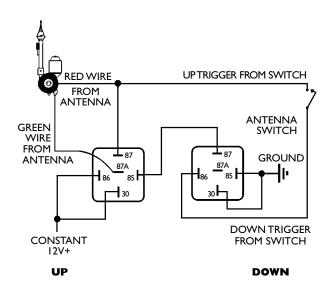
This back-up circuit was developed to maintain accessory power until ignition is turned off and one of the doors is opened. This circuit can be used for cellular telephones, radios, etc.





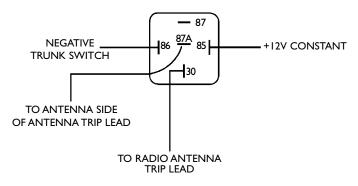
### **AUTOMATIC ANTENNA SWITCHING RELAY**

This application is used for the 280ZX with antenna switch or any other vehicle with a positive trigger switch that controls a semi-automatic antenna.



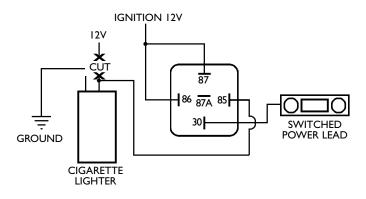
### **AUTO ANTENNA PROTECTOR**

With an automatic antenna mounted near the rear trunk, potential hazard sometimes exists to antenna when opening trunk. This simple circuit will solve the problem.



### STEREO DISABLE WITH CIGARETTE LIGHTER

The following diagram shows how to wire the switched power lead from the deck through the cigarette lighter via a Bosch relay. With the lighter pushed in, the relay grounds and activates the head unit. When the lighter is pulled out or removed, the deck loses switched power and is disabled. The constant 12V is still wired and the deck loses no memory of station pre-sets.



### **HORN ALERT FOR CELLULAR PHONES**

Most cellular phones on the market today have a horn alert option. When wired-up to a car's horn, the horn alert will sound the horn when a call is received. (The "ring" key on the phone must be in the OFF position so that the phone "knows" you are out of the car.)

NOTE: The phone alert wire supplies a low-current ground that must be isolated and sometimes converted, depending on the style of the car horn.

**FIG A:** The phone is being isolated by the relay and a high current 12V being supplied by the battery going to the car horn's switched power lead.

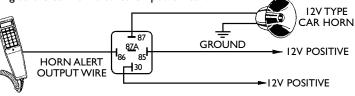
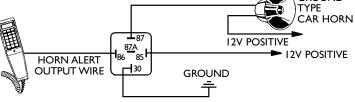


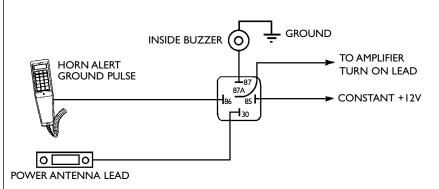
FIG B: The phone is being isolated by the relay and a high current ground coming from the car body, is going to the car horn's switched ground lead.

GROUND TYPE CAR HOR



### **HORN ALERT WITH BUZZER**

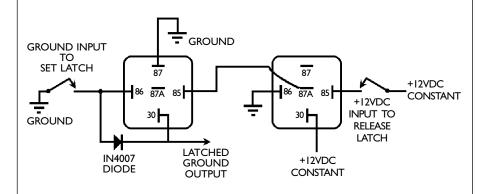
When horn alert is activated, amp will shut off with each pulse at the same time inside buzzer will turn on.



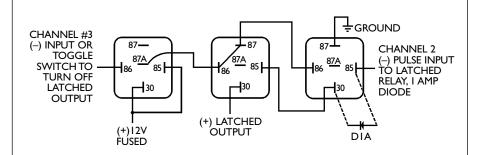
**NOTE:** Power antenna lead output must have sufficient current to operate buzzer.

### SIMPLE LATCH (-) TURN ON, (+) TURN OFF/(-) OUTPUT

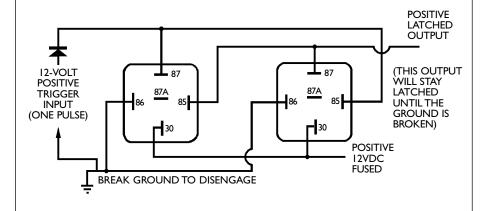
Use to allow ground pulse from remote of alarm to turn on accessory device, and any (+) switched source to turn accessory device off. EG. remote turns on neon, pressing brake pedal turns neon off.



### SIMPLE LATCH (-) TURN ON (-) TURN OFF (+) OUTPUT



# SIMPLE LATCH (+) TURN ON, REMOVE (-) TURN OFF, (+) OUTPUT

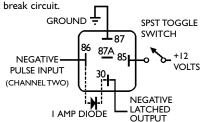


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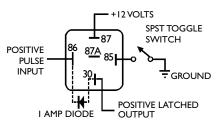
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### OPTIONAL METHODS OF LATCHING RELAYS (I)

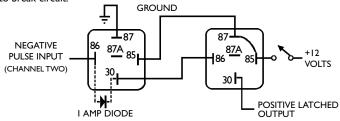
**DIAGRAM A:** Negative pulse input (channel two from alarm) to continual negative latched output with SPST toggle switch to break circuit



**DIAGRAM B:** Positive pulse input to continual positive latched output with SPST toggle switch to break circuit.



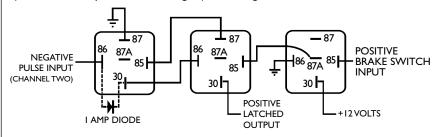
**DIAGRAM C:** Negative pulse input to positive latched output with SPST toggle switch to break circuit.



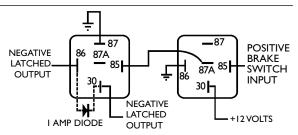
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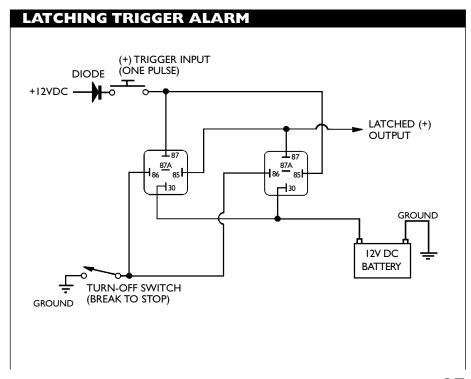
**DIAGRAM D:** Negative pulse input to positive latched output with brake switch (or any other positive trigger) to open circuit. This can be used to turn on interior lights (in vehicles with positive interior lights) or headlights.



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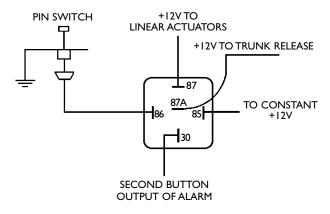
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### TRANSFER FUNCTION OF A RELAY

By using this circuit you can make the second button on your alarm transmitter perform two functions.

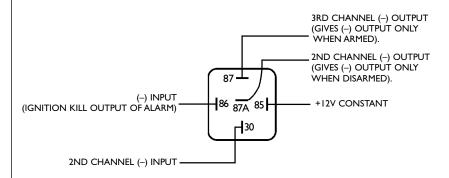
The diagram below enabled the installer to use an existing pin switch and relay to operate both linear actuator and trunk release.



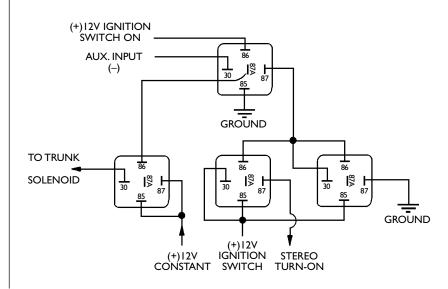
### THIRD FUNCTION AUXILIARY CHANNEL

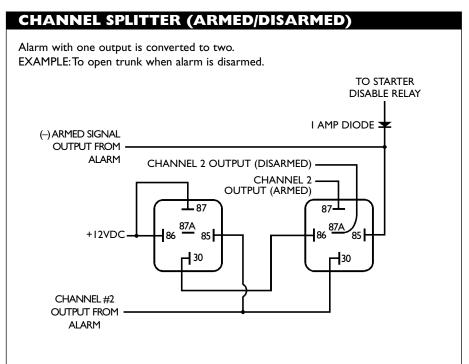
This feature provides an auxiliary channel that can operate a third function only when armed. EXAMPLE: The channel splitter can: pop the trunk when disarmed (2nd Channel) and send a (–) pulse for window roll-up, carfinder, or engine start (3rd Channel).

NOTE: If 2nd channel output of alarm is pulsed (or constant) then both 2nd and 3rd channels will be pulsed (or constant).



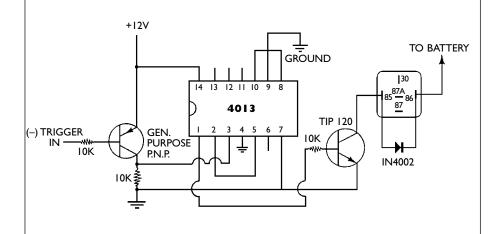
# **DUAL FEATURE AUXILIARY SWITCH**When ignition key is on, auxiliary will turn on stereo. When key is in off position, auxiliary opens trunk.





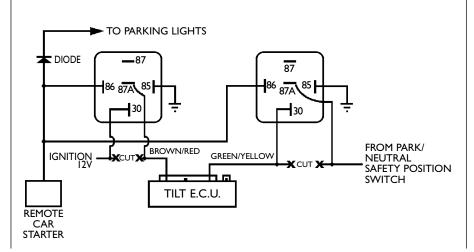
### PULSE-ON/PULSE-OFF RELAY

This circuit eliminates any possibility of erratic operation found in mechanical switches. (Eliminate inverter transistor if using positive trigger)



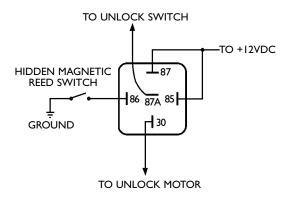
### STEERING WHEEL TILT USING A REMOTE STARTER

The 1993 and 1994 Lexus GS-300 factory automatic tilt steering wheel can be made to go down after a remote starter has been activated. To do this, it is necessary to fool the tilt E.C.U. computer by interrupting the ignition wires at the tilt computer with relays. Then, find and use an output wire from the remote starter to turn on the two relays.



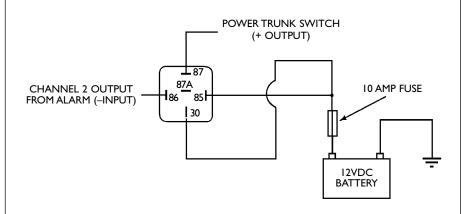
### THE "POOR PERSON'S" KEYLESS ENTRY

Used in circumstances when doors are closed and keys left in ignition accidentally. Hide a magnetic reed switch inside the car (i.e. inside a parking light or near a window) and then, when needed, use the magnet to run over the hidden reed switch, unlocking the automatic door locks. This application is used in conjunction with an alarm. When this application is used, the alarm will sound, but it is a good reminder not to leave your keys in your car.



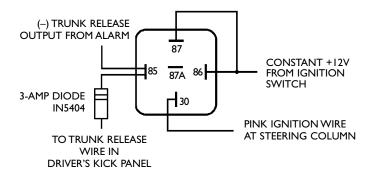
### **POWER TRUNK RELEASE WITH POSITIVE PULSE**

If the power trunk release requires a positive pulse to operate, use this circuit.



## TRUNK RELEASE FOR THE 1994 CADILLAC SEDAN DE VILLE

The trunk release for the Sedan DeVille has changed for 1994. The switch is now a negative trigger and will only work with the ignition on. The wire is light blue and is located at the driver's kick panel. This schematic explains how to interface an alarm's auxiliary output to the trunk release.



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