

## Headlight Aiming

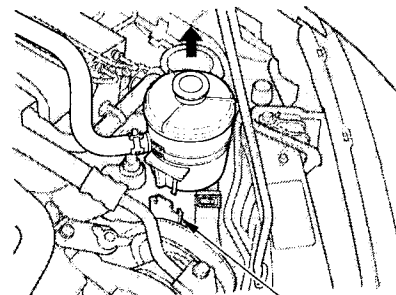
The headlights were properly aimed when your car was new. If you regularly carry heavy items in the trunk, readjustment may be required. Adjustment of the headlights should be performed by a Honda technician or other qualified mechanic.

## Replacing a Headlight Bulb

Your car has halogen headlight bulbs, one on each side. When replacing a bulb, handle it by its steel base and protect the glass from contact with your skin or hard objects. If you touch the glass, clean it with denatured alcohol and a clean cloth.

### NOTICE

*Halogen headlight bulbs get very hot when lit. Oil, perspiration, or a scratch on the glass can cause the bulb to overheat and shatter.*

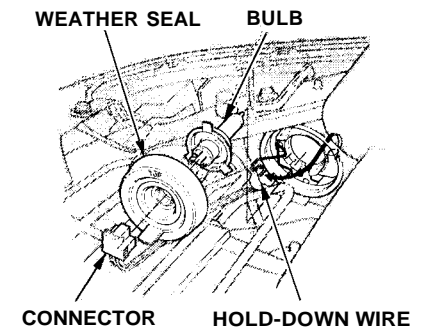


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1. Open the hood.  
If you need to change the headlight bulb on the driver's side, remove the power steering reservoir tank by pulling it out of its holder.

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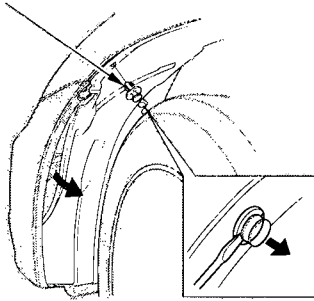


2. Remove the electrical connector from the bulb by squeezing the connector on both sides to unlock the tab. Pull the connector straight off.
3. Remove the rubber weather seal by pulling on the tab.
4. Unclip the end of the hold-down wire from its slot. Pivot it out of the way and remove the bulb.
5. Insert the new bulb into the hole, making sure the tabs are in their slots. Pivot the hold-down wire back in place and clip the end into the slot.
6. Install the rubber seal over the back of the headlight assembly. Make sure it is right side up; it is marked "TOP."
7. Push the electrical connector onto the tabs of the new bulb. Make sure it locks in place. Turn on the headlights to test the new bulb.
8. (Driver's side)  
Reinstall the power steering reservoir.

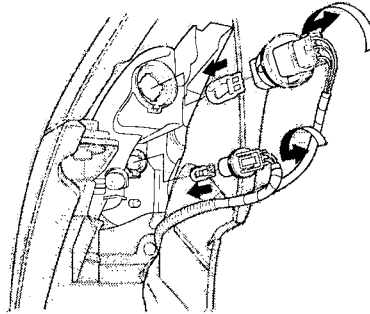
### Replacing the Front Side Marker/ Turn Signal and Parking Light Bulb

1. If you are changing the bulb on the driver's side, start the engine, turn the steering wheel all the way to the right, and turn off the engine. If you are changing the bulb on the passenger's side, turn the steering wheel to the left.

**HOLDING CLIP**



2. Use a flat-tipped screwdriver to remove the holding clip from the inner fender.
3. Pull the inner fender cover back.

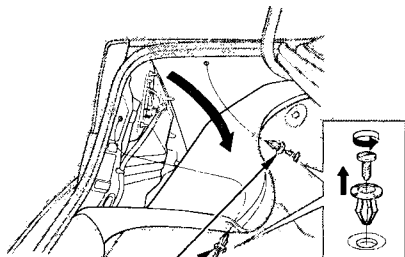


4. Remove the socket from the headlight assembly by turning it one-quarter turn counterclockwise.
5. Pull the bulb straight out of its socket.  
Push the new bulb straight into the socket until it bottoms.

6. Insert the socket back into the headlight assembly. Turn it clockwise to lock it in place.
7. Test the lights to make sure the new bulb is working.
8. Put the inner fender cover in place. Install the holding clip. Lock it in place by pushing on the center.

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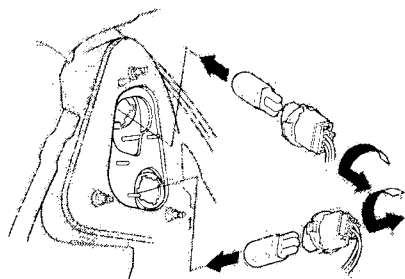
## Replacing Rear Bulbs (in Fenders)



**FASTENERS**

1. Open the trunk.

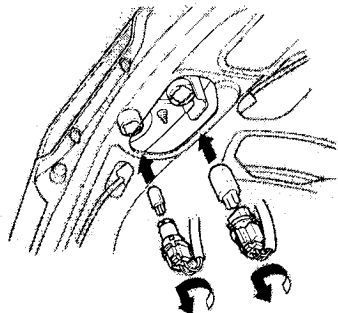
Remove the screw in the center of the fastener on the side of the trunk lining. Pull the lining back.



2. Determine which of the two bulbs is burned out: stop/taillight/side marker light or turn signal light.
3. Remove the socket by turning it one-quarter turn counterclockwise.

4. Pull the bulb straight out of its socket.  
Push the new bulb straight into the socket until it bottoms.
5. Reinstall the socket into the light assembly by turning it clockwise until it locks.
6. Test the lights to make sure the new bulb is working.
7. Reinstall the trunk lining. Make sure it is installed under the edge of the trunk seal.
8. Put the fastener into the hole on the side of the trunk lining.  
Reinstall the screw.

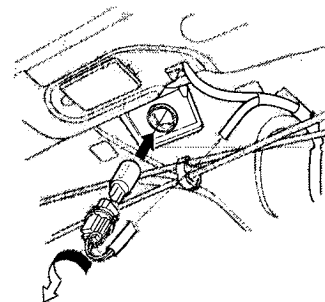
## Replacing Rear Bulbs (in Trunk Lid)



1. Open the trunk.
2. Determine which of the two bulbs is burned out: taillight or back-up light.
3. Remove the socket by turning it one-quarter turn counterclockwise.

4. Pull the bulb straight out of its socket.  
Push the new bulb straight into the socket until it bottoms.
5. Insert the socket back into the light assembly. Turn it clockwise to lock it in place.
6. Test the lights to make sure the new bulb is working.

## Replacing a High-mount Brake Light Bulb



1. Open the trunk and remove the socket from the light assembly by turning it one-quarter turn counterclockwise.
2. Pull the bulb straight out of its socket.  
Push the new bulb straight into the socket until it bottoms.

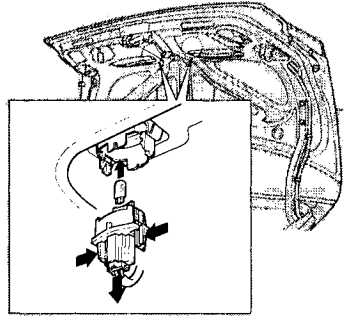
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3. Reinstall the socket. Turn it clockwise until it locks. Make sure the new bulb is working.

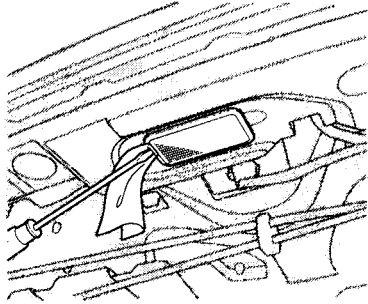
### Replacing a Rear License Bulb



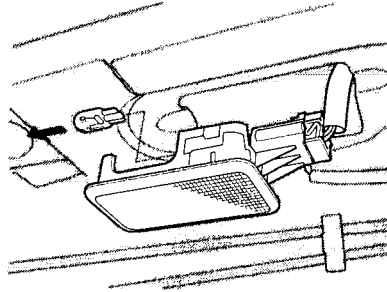
1. Remove the socket from the light assembly by squeezing the tabs on both sides of the socket.
2. Pull the bulb straight out of its socket. Push the new bulb in until it bottoms in the socket.

3. Turn on the parking lights and check that the new bulb is working.
4. Reinstall the socket back in place by pushing it in until it latches.

## Replacing the Trunk Light Bulb



1. Remove the trunk light assembly by using a small flat-tipped screwdriver to pry carefully on the left edge of the assembly.



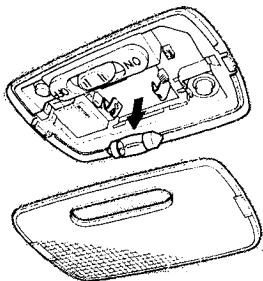
2. Pull the bulb straight out of the holder. Push the new bulb straight into the holder until it bottoms.

3. Put the light assembly back into the hole, right side first. Push on the left side until it snaps into place.

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## Replacing Bulbs in the Interior Lights

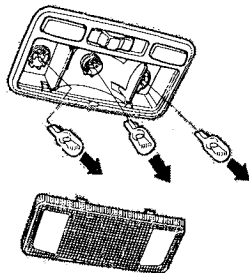
### CEILING LIGHT



Although the ceiling light and spotlights come apart the same way, they do not use the same type of bulbs.

1. Remove the lens by carefully prying on the edge of the lens in the middle with a fingernail file or a small flat-tip screwdriver. Do not pry on the edge of the housing around the lens.

### FRONT CEILING LIGHT



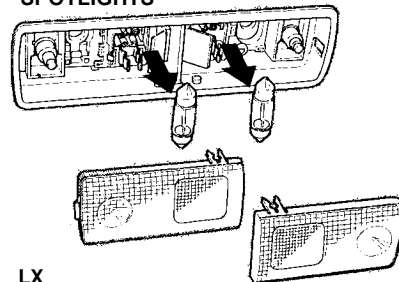
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*On LX models*

Spotlights:

Pry on the edge between the lenses.

### SPOTLIGHTS



LX

2. Remove the bulb by pulling it straight out of its metal tabs.
3. Push the new bulb into the metal tabs. Snap the lens back in place.



If you need to park your car for an extended period (more than one month), there are several things you should do to prepare it for storage. Proper preparation helps prevent deterioration and makes it easier to get your car back on the road. If possible, store your car indoors.

- Fill the fuel tank.
- Change the engine oil and filter (see page 207).
- Wash and dry the exterior completely.
- Clean the interior. Make sure the carpeting, floor mats, etc. are completely dry.
- Leave the parking brake off. Put the transmission in Reverse (5-speed manual) or Park (automatic).

- Block the rear wheels.
- If the car is to be stored for a longer period, it should be supported on jackstands so the tires are off the ground.
- Leave one window open slightly (if the car is being stored indoors).
- Disconnect the battery.
- Support the front wiper blade arms with a folded towel or rag so they do not touch the windshield.
- To minimize sticking, apply a silicone spray lubricant to all door and trunk seals. Also, apply a vehicle body wax to the painted surfaces that mate with the door and trunk seals.

- Cover the car with a "breathable" cover, one made from a porous material such as cotton. Nonporous materials, such as plastic sheeting, trap moisture, which can damage the paint.
- If possible, run the engine for a while periodically (preferably once a month).

If you store your car for 12 months or longer, have your Honda dealer perform the inspections called for in the 24 months maintenance schedule (Normal Conditions) as soon as you take it out of storage (see page 196). The replacements called for in the maintenance schedule are not needed unless the car has actually reached that time or mileage.