

1997 Corvette: Service Bulletin: Hatch Will Not Pop Up When Activated in Cold Weather

Subject: Hatch Will Not Pop Up When Activated in Cold Weather

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Models: 1997 Chevrolet Corvette

Condition:

Some owners may comment that the hatch will not pop up when activated in cold weather.

Cause:

Condition may be due to insufficient spring tension.

Correction: Replace pop up spring, P/N 16637696, following the procedure below.

IMPORTANT:

Use proper eye protection.

Procedure:

1. With hatch open, remove covers over latch assemblies.
2. Using a pair of pliers, drive the retaining pin forward, this will push the retaining pin off the Tinnerman nut (see Figure 1).
3. Take the pliers and drive the retaining pin in the other direction so that the Tinnerman nut can be removed (see Figure 2).
4. With the pin removed from the spring carrier, remove the carrier from the latch and use a screw driver to remove the pop up spring from the carrier.
5. Install a new spring in carrier and reinstall carrier to latch.
6. Reinstall retaining pin, Tinnerman nut and latch covers.

Parts Information:

Parts are currently available from GMSPO

Warranty Information:

For vehicles repaired under warranty, use:

Labor Operation Number: B5500 Labor Operation Time: 0.3 HR

Figure 1

Figure 2

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