

WARNING: Risk of injury if vehicle is driven with special tools in place (commercially available tools included)!

- Never drive with special tools or commercially available tools attached in place of the airbag units.

NOTE: Never disconnect plugs which are connected directly to airbag modules and belt tensioners because these have been connected with a defined contact pressure to prevent the plug from working loose in order to prevent malfunction during the life of the vehicle. The plug connections (mostly 3-pin) which are intended for this purpose must be disconnected using an integrated short circuit bridge.

NOTE: The wiring harness between the airbag trigger unit and the side air-bags in the seats has a number of disconnection points which must be considered first as possible causes of the fault. Before actually replacing the airbag trigger unit, the following disconnection points must be checked with the ignition switched off for correct contacts, possible corrosion or damage:

- First disconnection point under seat area of driver's and passenger seat (3-pin cut-off connection with short circuit bridge)
- Second disconnection point between 3-pin cut-off connection and the side airbag (2-pin cut-off connection with short circuit bridge)
- Third disconnection point directly on side airbag (only inspect this visually (this involves dismantling the seat - should only be done in exceptional cases) - never disconnect plug - see note above)

Additional airbag tester, Porsche set No. 169

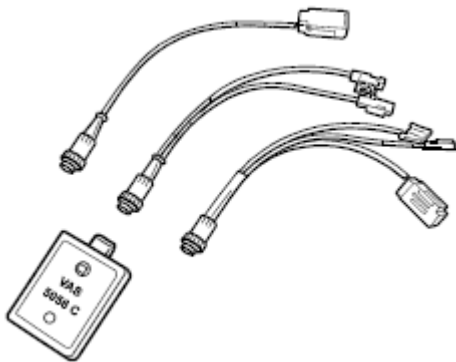


Fig. 16: Identifying Additional Airbag Tester, Porsche Set No. 169

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