



open the boot lid to access these two plastic rivots, which allow you to do next.



use a small screw driver to through the hole to push the plastic pin out about 10mm then go the other side to remove the holding rivot.



this is the holding rivot.



now open the glass boot lid and pull the cover vertically and be very carefull about these clip breaking off. To expose the hinge.



don't break this clips.



undo the small nut to release the cable holder.



use a very thin flat head screw driver to separate the holder at the clip on points. Be very carefull about your own fingers while doing this. You may need another bigger screw driver to assist. It is made of two part channels.



see the cable is now fully removed out of the metal holder.



now inspect any sign of cuts by this metal holder. And I found a smal cut there.



So I carefully unwrap the ribbon to inspect further. There is one cable only have 2 minor cuts, but not broken. So I just patch it with insulation taps and put everything back.



This photo only show you what colour the cables are while I got it out. At this point, my problem remains not fixed. So I have to repeat the above on the right hand side hinge.



This is what I happily found. One brown cable is broken completely. And I inspect further, there are 4 more that is broken only the plastic lining holding them in place. I can not gain enough free cable to solder them back together, so I remember what WhiteStone said, cut and extend the lots.



here I need to do in order to gain full access to the cable loop.



doing it inside the back seat.



take out the speaker. You need star screw drivers, Torx.

2 sizes.



take out the speaker holder.



see the cable inside? Undo the screw and to expose the



loop. For my problem, I need the inner bundle. this is what I bought from a car accessory store for £7 just to get some extra cable. Please note that there are 2 thicker cable in the broken bundle. So have to buy some thicker cable

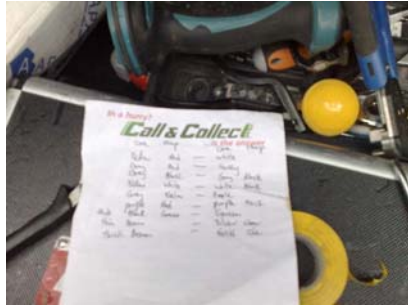
which need to be the same size and type. Now I remember Whitestone mention it is better to buy some cable from the scrap yard and I know why, coz you can have various cable for one small price. I got this is because it is cheaper and I don't have to buy so many different types and cost a lot. To be fair to pay around £10 to £15 is fair at scrap yard for some cables. You will need 9 in total. No need to match colour as shown in your car. Just make notes. But try to match thickness of the cable.



cut them all bravely. (try to cut them 20mm away from each other. Because when you join them together, if all the joins are at the same place, it wont go back into the metal holder, coz it is bigger bundle wont fit.)



now pull the cable back through the plastic holder as such to get ready for extensions.



this is what I made note for the colour the cable and to join with my own different colour cable for clarity. (if you do it wrong is at your own risk and I will not hold any responsibility of your attempt.)



don't forget to cap off all the expose end and void touching metal of the car, in case get short out and cause fire.



Test the lights now before you wrap it all back neatly with insulation tapes.and house it back into the metal cable holder and put it back.



Mine is fixed. Good luck Chasney72. I felt very good coz I save £800 bill from dealer. However, I still think this is free by BMW dealer, coz it is not wears and tears. It is a design fault due to moving part fatigue and metal holder too small for its moving part. Arguably, you never see the driver side door control cable breaks do you?? It gets open every time you use the car...