## **3<sup>rd</sup> Brake Light Installation** Porsche 996 Carrera All models

## **Tools Needed:**

- Flathead Screwdriver,
- Small flathead screwdriver,
- Needle type tool (possibly needed)
- 1. Remove the factory 3<sup>rd</sup> brake light on your trunk lid or convertible lid depending on the model you have, you will need to remove the cap on the right side on the light, there is a small red cap on the far right, and you will see a little opening, use a small flathead screwdriver or other needle tool to pop the cap off. Once the cap is removed simply insert a screwdriver in the plastic lock and turn towards the left to unlock it, pull the 3<sup>rd</sup> brake light out, and remove factory connector. IMPORTANT If you have purchased an additional light for the Rear Spoiler, you will need to follow the same steps as the instructions below, to raise the rear spoiler put the ignition on and raise the spoiler by pushing the toggle switch located in the fuse box compartment or on your center console if you have the switch on the console. Other Important Information, you cannot do both lights at the same time work with the lid first and then work on the spoiler, do not raise the spoiler while your replacing the lid light.
- **2.** It's a good thing to clean the dirt around the 3<sup>rd</sup> brake light opening.
- **3.** Clean the ignition trim with rubbing alcohol or other cleaning agent that will not harm the finish.
- 4. Plug in your new 3<sup>rd</sup> brake light, do not install it yet, have someone press on the brakes from inside the car make sure it lights up, if it doesn't proceed to next step if it does proceed to step 6.
- 5. If your 3<sup>rd</sup> brake light did not light up it's simply because the polarity is reversed on the wiring, for some reason Porsche does not follow polarity of wiring on all years. You will need to remove the small yellow cap on the connector, simply use a small flathead screwdriver or needle type tool to pop it off.





**6.** You will need a small needle type tool or small flathead screwdriver to swap the wiring, look inside the connector where the terminals are there are small lock tabs you will need to push them out and pull on the wire top release the terminal from the connector, be careful both wires are black, I suggest you mark the wires that way you will be sure that they are swapped otherwise it's possible that you get confused and you will have a hard time figuring out which is positive which one is negative. Once the wiring is swapped retest it and make sure it lights up.



**7.** Install your black round lock clip on the 3<sup>rd</sup> brake light.



8. You are ready to install your new 3<sup>rd</sup> brake light, simply install it in the 3<sup>rd</sup> brake light cut-out, make sure you insert the black tab on the left of your 3<sup>rd</sup> brake light behind the cut-out. Now lock the tab with a screwdriver so that the 3<sup>rd</sup> brake light is secured on the trunk lid, and install your small cover.

