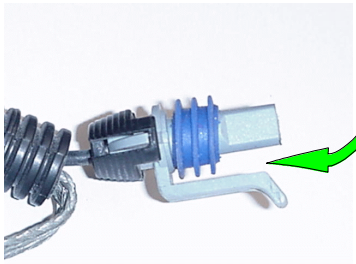
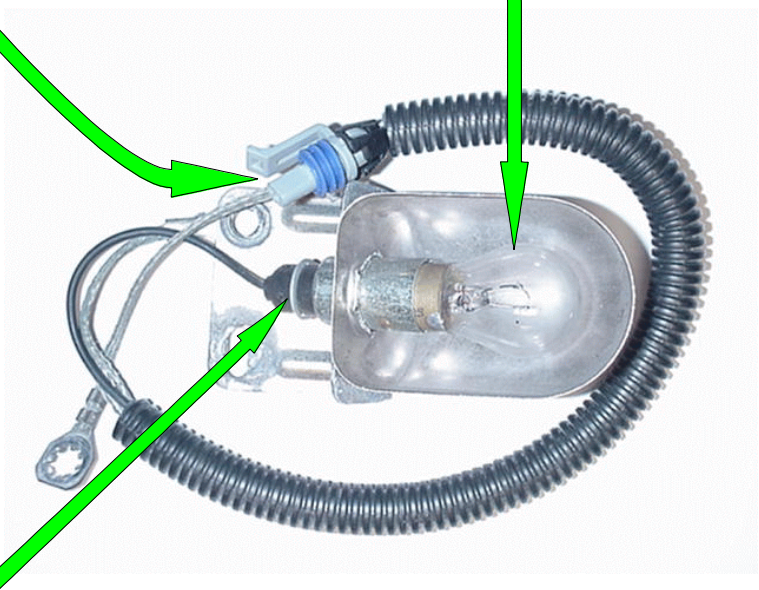
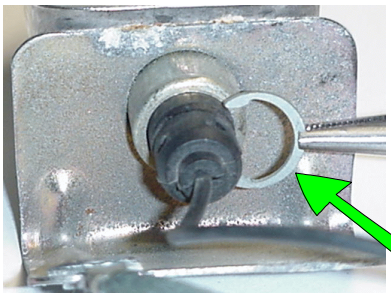
Removal and Replacement of Mercury Switch in 1970-1998 GM Hood Lighting Assembly

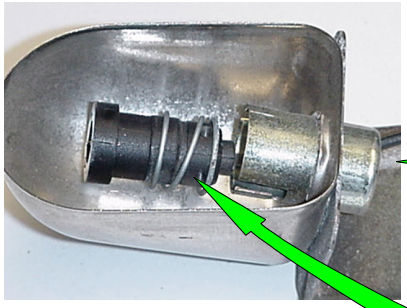
1. Remove the wiring clip by sliding a screwdriver under the clip and sliding the clip back to remove the power source and then remove light bulb from the twist socket





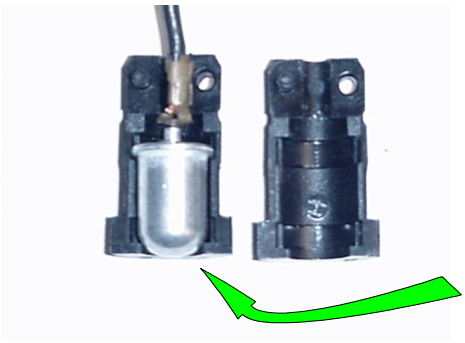


2. Remove the clip that secures the mercury switch holder in the lighting assembly by pulling the clip off with a pair of needle nose pliers



3. Remove the mercury switch holder by pushing it from the wire end into the dome reflector

4. Remove the spring from switch holder by sliding it off



5. Pry the plastic switch holder apart along the center line using a screwdriver and replace the mercury switch with a ball-bearing switch, oriented with the rounded end toward the flanged end of the plastic holder.

Snap the two-piece casing together, and do steps 4, 3, 2, & 1 in reverse to complete the replacement. This entire procedure can be done without removing the lighting assembly from the vehicle, or the assembly can be removed using a 1/4" hex driver to remove two fasteners that hold the unit.