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TROUBLESHOOTING MANUAL



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### **1994 EVTM FEATURES**

- Schematic pages now contain COMPONENT LOCATION references to full-view illustrations and description notes have been added to various components to describe their operation.
- "COMPONENT TESTING" procedures (CELL 149) that tell the user how to perform diagnostic tests on various circuits.
- Component Connector End Views are located at the end of individual cells and are shown for connectors with five or more cavities; for connectors with ten or more cavities, a circuit function chart is provided.
- Both halfs of the In-line connectors (CELL 150) with 10 cavities or more are shown and have pin numbers assigned.
- NOTES, CAUTIONS and WARNINGS that contain important safety information.
- Full view "COMPONENT LOCATION VIEWS" (CELL 151) to help locate on-vehicle components.
- Circuit voltages on schematic pages help simplify troubleshooting.
- Cellular Pagination: A specific section (or cell) in all EVTMs is numbered by cell and starts with page 1. For example: "HOW TO USE THIS MANUAL" is CELL 2 and begins with page 2-1.
- "C" numbers are used for all electrical connectors. "C" numbers are listed in numerical order in the "LOCATION INDEX" (CELL 152).
- Harness Causal Part Numbers add to aid in identifying warranty concerns (CELL 153).

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### **IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTICE**

Appropriate service methods and proper repair procedures are essential for the safe, reliable operation of all motor vehicles, as well as the personal safety of the individual doing the work. This Manual provides general directions for accomplishing service and repair work with tested, effective techniques. Following them will help assure reliability.

There are numerous variations in procedures, techniques, tools, and parts for servicing vehicles, as well as in the skill of the individual doing the work. This Manual cannot possibly anticipate all such variations and provide advice or cautions as to each. Accordingly, anyone who departs from the instructions provided in this Manual must first establish that he compromises neither his personal safety nor the vehicle integrity by his choice of methods, tools or parts.

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The purpose of this manual is to show electrical and vacuum circuits in a clear and simple fashion to make troubleshooting easier. NOTES, CAUTIONS and WARNINGS contain important information.

- NOTES describe how switches and other components operate to help complete a particular procedure.
- CAUTIONS provide information that could prevent making an error that may damage the vehicle.
- WARNINGS provide information to prevent personal injury.

The **WARNINGS** list on page 2-2 contains general warnings to follow when servicing a vehicle.

Components that work together are shown together. All electrical components used in a specific system are shown on one diagram. The circuit breaker or fuse is shown at the top of the page. All wires, connectors, components and splices are shown in the flow of current to ground at the bottom of the page. If a component is used in several different systems, it is shown in several places. For example, the Main Light Switch is electrically a part of many systems and is repeated on many pages.

In some cases, a component may seem (by its name) to belong to a system where it has no electrical connection. For example, Radio Illumination is electrically part of Instrument Illumination, but because it has no electrical connection to the Radio system, it is not shown on the Radio diagram.

Schematic pages contain references to fullview illustrations and description notes for various components. The references are reversetext blocks located next to each component and connector and refer the user to the appropriate illustration page and zone. The description notes describe the operation of the component.

Schematic pages contain circuit voltages to help simplify troubleshooting hints. 12V is used to imply battery voltage on a component connector terminal, and 0V is used to show that there should be continuity to ground on that particular terminal. Conditional voltages such as "12V with the ignition switch in RUN" will also be provided. Troubleshooting hints that can't be simplified with circuit voltages will be shown at the end of each cell.

Component connector face information specific to a certain cell is found at the end of that cell. A Connector Face Reference List is provided to locate connector faces that are shown in different cells. Component connectors with five or more terminals are illustrated. Component Connectors with 10 or more terminals are accompanied by a pinout chart that lists the function of all circuitry associated with that component.

"GROUNDS" (Cell 10) contains ground circuitry shown in complete detail. This information is useful for checking interconnections of the ground circuits of different systems.

"POWER DISTRIBUTION" (Cell 13) contains power distribution circuitry shown in complete detail. This section displays how the various fuses are powered and, in turn, how each system is powered.

"COMPONENT TESTING" (Cell 149) contains testing procedures for various switches. This information includes schematics, component terminal locations and step-by-step procedures.

"IN-LINE CONNECTOR FACES" (Cell 150) contains illustrations of all the in-line connectors that have 10 or more terminals. The terminals have pin numbers assigned to them.

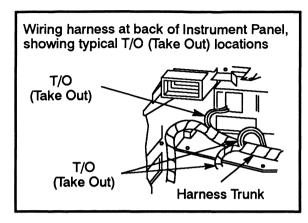
"COMPONENT LOCATION VIEWS" (Cell 151) contains full-view illustrations which show the location of all components and connectors in the vehicle.

The "LOCATION INDEX" (Cell 152) provides the base part numbers, locations, connector face references and illustration references for all components, connectors, splices and grounds.

#### **HELPFUL REMINDERS**

Before using the EVTM for troubleshooting, refer to these HELPFUL REMINDERS:

 The abbreviation T/O, for take out, used in the Location Index (Cell 152), refers to the point at which a group of wires branch off the harness trunk. Refer to the wiring harness illustration.



- 2. If a connector serves the same purpose in two separate versions (e.g., EFI/Carb), but is physically different, two connector numbers are used. However, if a connector serves the same purpose in two separate versions (e.g., EFI/Carb) and is physically the same, but the wire colors are different, only one connector number is used. If the same physical connector is used more than once, then more than one connector number is used.
- 3. Wiring schematics provide a picture of how and under what conditions the circuit is powered, of the current path to circuit components, and of how a circuit is grounded. Each circuit component is named (underlined titles). Wire and connector colors are listed (standard Ford color abbreviations are used):

#### **COLOR ABBREVIATIONS**

BL	Blue	N	Natural
BK	Black	0	Orange
BR	Brown	PK	Pink
DB	Dark Blue	P	Purple
DG	Dark Green	R	Red
GN	Green	T	Tan
GY	Gray	W	White
LB	Light Blue	Υ	Yellow
LG	Light Green		

Note: Whenever a wire is labeled with two colors, the first color listed is the basic color of the wire, and the second color listed is the stripe marking of the wire.

- 4. When reporting Vehicle Repair Location Codes to Ford Parts and Service Division, refer to Cell 160 (beginning on page 160-1). Note: Do not use the illustrations in Cell 151 (beginning on page 151-1) for reporting Vehicle Repair Location Codes.
- 5. WARNINGS
- Always wear safety glasses for eye protection.
- Use safety stands whenever a procedure requires being under a vehicle.
- Be sure that the Ignition Switch is always in the OFF position, unless otherwise required by the procedure.
- Set the park brake when working on any vehicle. An automatic transmission should be in PARK. A manual transmission should be in NEUTRAL.
- Operate the engine only in a well-ventilated area to avoid danger of carbon monoxide.

- Keep away from moving parts, especially the fan and belts, when the engine is running.
- To prevent serious burns, avoid contact with hot metal parts such as the radiator, exhaust manifold, tail pipe, catalytic converter and muffler.
- Do not allow flame or sparks near the battery. Gases are always present in and around the battery cell. An explosion could occur.
- Do not smoke.
- To avoid injury, always remove rings, watches, loose hanging jewelry and loose clothing.

### HOW TO FIND ELECTRICAL CONCERNS

#### TROUBLESHOOTING STEPS

These six steps present an orderly method of troubleshooting.

### Step 1. Verify the concern.

 Operate the complete system to check the accuracy and completeness of the customer's complaint.

### Step 2. Narrow the concern.

- Using the EVTM, narrow down the possible causes and locations of the concern to pinpoint the exact cause.
- Read the description notes at the components and study the wiring schematic. You should then know enough about the circuit operation to determine where to check for the trouble. Further information can be found by referring to the Service Manual pages listed in the box at the top of the page.

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#### Step 3. Test the cause.

- Use electrical test procedures to find the specific cause of the symptoms.
- The component location reference bars and the pictures will help you find components.
   The Location Index (at the end of the manual) gives component location information for connectors, diodes, resistors, splices and grounds.

### Step 4. Verify the cause.

 Confirm that you have found the correct cause by connecting jumper wires and/or temporarily installing a known good component and operating the circuit.

### Step 5. Make the repair.

Repair or replace the inoperative component.

### Step 6. Verify the repair.

 Operate the system as in Step 1 and check that your repair has removed all symptoms without creating any new symptoms.

Some engine circuits may need special test equipment and special procedures. See the *Service Manual* and other service books for details. You will find the circuits in this manual to be helpful with those special test procedures.

### TROUBLESHOOTING TOOLS

#### **JUMPER WIRE**

This is a test lead used to connect two points of a circuit. A Jumper Wire can bypass an open to complete a circuit.

### WARNING

Never use a jumper wire across loads (motors, etc.) connected between hot and ground. This direct battery short may cause injury or fire.

#### **VOLTMETER**

A DC Voltmeter measures circuit voltage. Connect negative (- or black) lead to ground, and positive (+ or red) lead to voltage measuring point.

#### **OHMMETER**

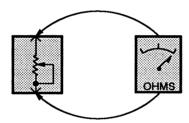


Figure 1-Resistance Check

An Ohmmeter shows the resistance between two connected points (Figure 1).

#### **TEST LAMP**

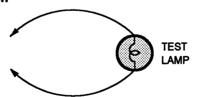


Figure 2-Test Lamp

A Test Light is a 12-volt bulb with two test leads (Figure 2).

Uses: Voltage Check, Short Check.

#### SELF-POWERED TEST LAMP

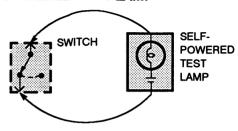


Figure 3—Continuity Check

The Self-Powered Test Lamp is a bulb, battery and set of test leads wired in series (Figure 3). When connected to two points of a continuous circuit, the bulb glows.

Uses: Continuity Check, Ground Check.

#### **CAUTION**

When using a self-powered test lamp or ohmmeter, be sure power is off in circuit during testing. Hot circuits can cause equipment damage and false readings.

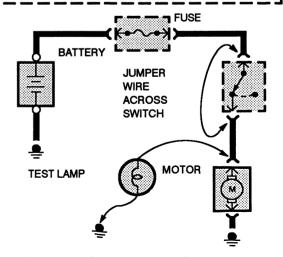


Figure 4—Switch Circuit Check and Voltage Check

In an inoperative circuit with a switch in series with the load, jumper the terminals of the switch to power the load. If jumpering the terminals powers the circuit, the switch is inoperative (Figure 4).

### CONTINUITY CHECK (Locating open circuits)

Connect one lead of Self-Powered Test Lamp or Ohmmeter to each end of circuit (Figure 3). Lamp will glow if circuit is closed. Switches and fuses can be checked in the same way.

#### **VOLTAGE CHECK**

Connect one lead of test lamp to a known good ground or the negative (-) battery terminal. Test for voltage by touching the other lead to the test point. Bulb goes on when the test point has voltage (Figure 4).

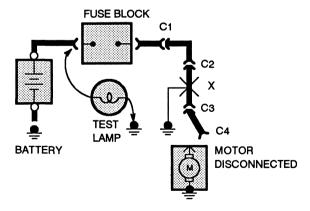


Figure 5—Short Check

A fuse that repeatedly blows is usually caused by a short to ground. It's important to be able to locate such a short quickly (Figure 5).

- 1. Turn off everything powered through the fuse.
- 2. Disconnect other loads powered through the fuse:
  - Motors: disconnect motor connector (Connector C4 in Figure 5).
  - Lights: remove bulbs.
- 3. Turn Ignition Switch to RUN (if necessary) to power fuse.
- 4. Connect one Test Lamp lead to hot end of blown fuse. Connect other lead to ground. Bulb should glow, showing power to fuse. (This step is just a check to be sure you have power to the circuit.)
- Disconnect the test lamp lead that is connected to ground, and reconnect it to the load side of the fuse at the connector of the disconnected component. (In Figure 5, connect the test lamp lead to connector C4.)
  - If the Test Lamp is off, the short is in the disconnected component.
  - If the Test Lamp goes on, the short is in the wiring. You must find the short by disconnecting the circuit connectors, one at a time, until the Test Lamp goes out. For example, in Figure 5 with a ground at X, the bulb goes out when C1 or C2 is disconnected, but not after disconnecting C3. This means the short is between C2 and C3.

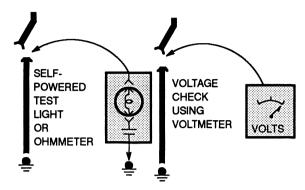


Figure 6—Ground Check

Turn on power to the circuit. Perform a Voltage Check between the suspected inoperative ground and the frame. Any indicated voltage means that the ground is inoperative (Figure 6).

Turn off power to the circuit. Connect one lead of a Self-Powered Test Lamp or Ohmmeter to the wire in question and the other lead to a known ground. If the bulb glows, the circuit ground is OK (Figure 6).

The circuit schematics in this manual make it easy to identify common points in circuits. This knowledge can help narrow the concern to a specific area. For example, if several circuits fail at the same time, check for a common power or ground connection (see *Power Distribution* or *Grounds*). If part of a circuit fails, check the connections between the part that works and the part that doesn't work.

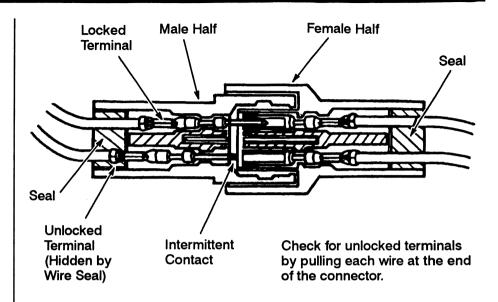
For example, if the lo beam headlamps work, but the high beams and the indicator lamp don't work, then power and ground paths must be good. Since the dimmer switch is the component that switches this power to the high beam lights and indicator, it is most likely the cause of failure.

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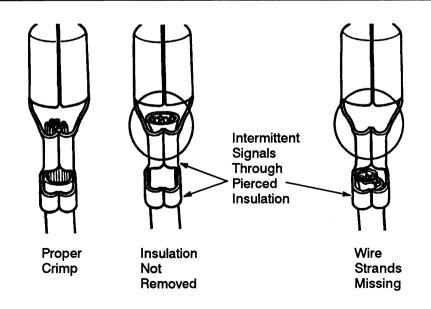
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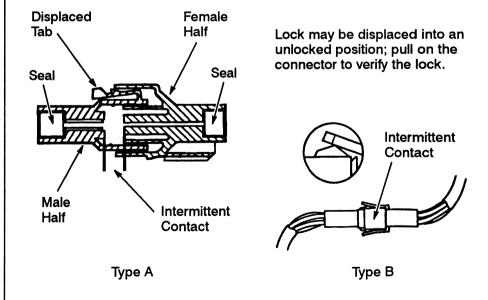
### TROUBLESHOOTING WIRING HARNESS AND CONNECTOR HIDDEN CONCERNS

The following illustrations are known examples of wiring harness, splices and connectors that will create intermittent electrical concerns. The concerns are hidden and can only be discovered by a physical evaluation as shown in each illustration.



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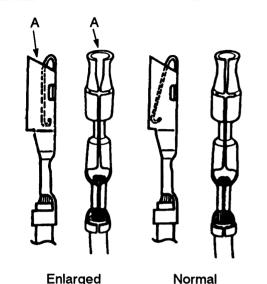


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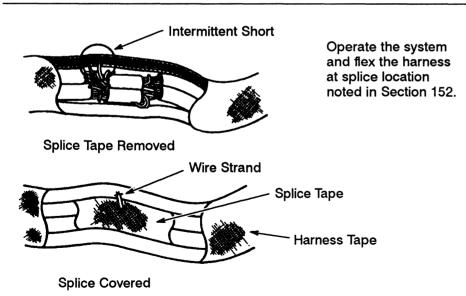
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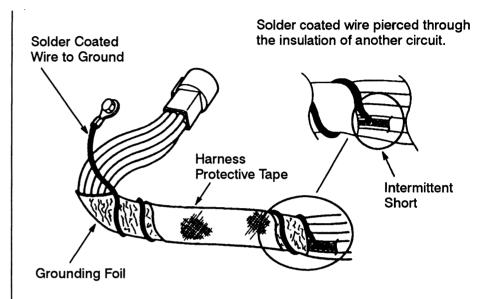
Any probe entering the terminal may enlarge the contact spring opening creating an intermittent signal. Insert the correct mating terminal (Location A) from the service kit and feel for a loose fit.

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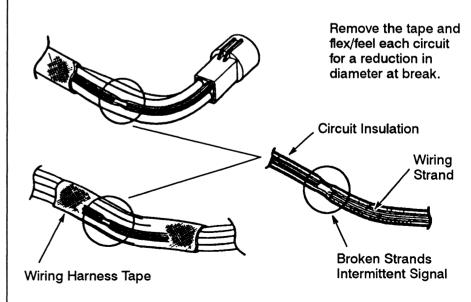
### **DEFORMED (ENLARGED) FEMALE TERMINALS**



**ELECTRICAL SHORT WITHIN THE HARNESS** 



### **ELECTRICAL SHORT INSIDE THE HARNESS**



**BROKEN WIRE STRANDS IN HARNESS** 

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### HOW TO FIND THE VACUUM CONCERNS

These six steps present an orderly method of troubleshooting.

#### Step 1. Verify the concern.

Operate the system and observe all symptoms to check the accuracy and completeness of the customer's complaint.

### Step 2. Narrow the concern.

 Narrow down the possible causes and locations of the concern to pinpoint the exact cause.

### Step 3. Test the cause.

 Use test procedures to find the specific cause of the symptoms.

### Step 4. Verify the cause.

 Confirm that you have found the right cause by operating the parts of the circuit you think are good.

### Step 5. Make the repair.

Repair or replace the inoperative component.

### Step 6. Verify the repair.

 Operate the system as in Step 1. Check that your repair has removed all symptoms without creating any new symptoms.

### NOTE: Vacuum system problems fall into three groups.

- Leaks in hoses, connectors or motor diaphragms.
- 2. Pinched lines or clogged valves.
- 3. Inoperative parts driven by vacuum motors.

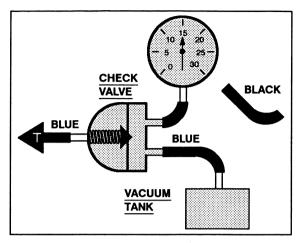


Figure 1 - System Supply Test

### **Vacuum Supply Test**

- 1. Connect Vacuum Tester to system side of Check Valve (Figure 1).
- 2. Start engine. Gauge should show approximately 15 inches of vacuum.
- 3. Turn off engine, and observe gauge:
  - If vacuum holds, supply OK.
  - If vacuum fails, replace Check Valve or Tank.

#### **Leak Test**

- Connect Vacuum Gauge and Vacuum Pump (Figure 2) to system hose in place of tank.
- 2. Open valve and start pump. Operate control in all modes.
- 3. Listen for hiss and observe gauge.

### NOTE: Hissing is normal at Function Control when changing modes.

If system hisses or loses vacuum, find system leak as follows:

- 1. Turn on Vacuum Pump and check vacuum build-up.
- 2. Stop pump; vacuum should drop.
- 3. Clamp supply hoses with needlenose pliers, one at a time, until vacuum stops dropping (Figure 2).
- 4. Check vacuum schematic to find components in that line.
- 5. Clamp hoses through circuit to find leak.

### **Component Test**

- 1. Connect Vacuum Tester to component.
- Pump Vacuum Tester. Check that all components operate correctly and vacuum holds.
- Replace component if vacuum does not hold.

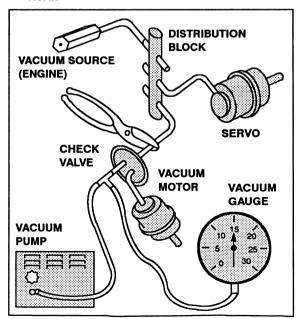
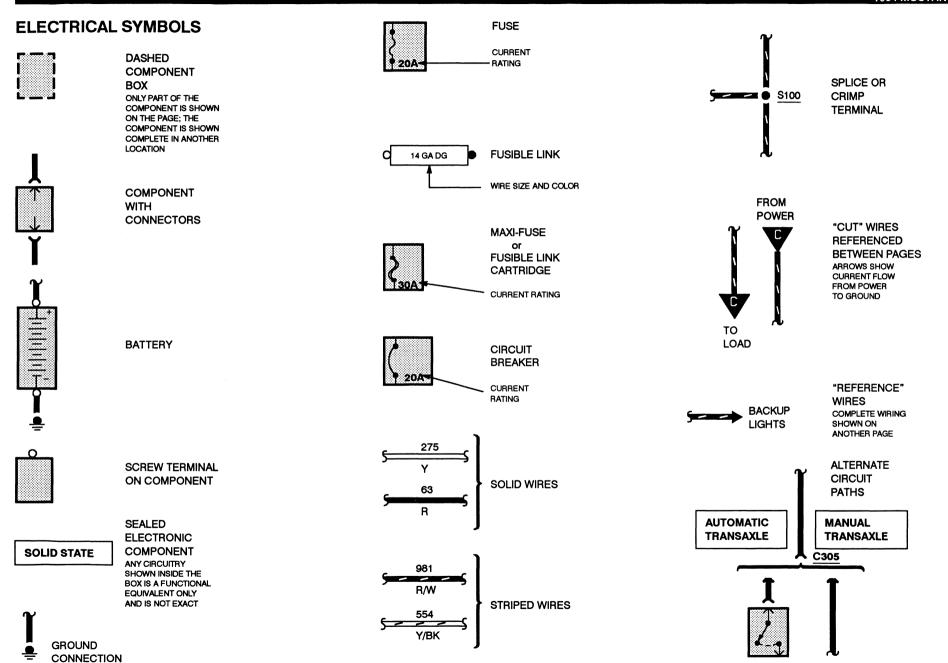


Figure 2 – Testing For Leaks In Typical Vacuum System

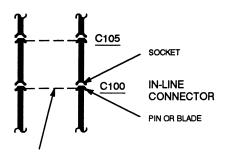
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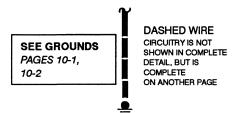
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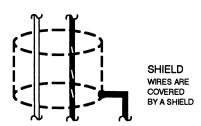
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### **ELECTRICAL SYMBOLS**



SINGLE DASHED LINE INDICATES THAT WIRE ON LEFT ALSO PASSES THROUGH THE SAME CONNECTOR









MOTOR



HEATING ELEMENT



**THERMISTOR** 



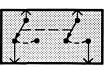
RHEOSTAT OR POTENTIOMETER



SOLENOID



SWITCH



GANGED SWITCHES CONTACTS MOVE AT THE SAME TIME



DIODES CURRENT FLOWS IN DIRECTION OF ARROW ONLY



**CAPACITOR** 



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**TRANSISTOR** 



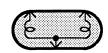
**GAUGE** 



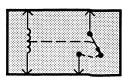
LIGHT EMITTING DIODE (LED)



LIGHT BULB



DUAL FILAMENT LIGHT BULB



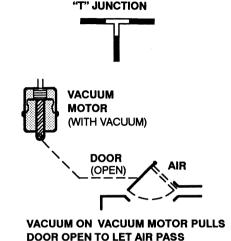
RELAY
CONTACTS
CHANGE POSITION
WITH CURRENT
THROUGH COIL

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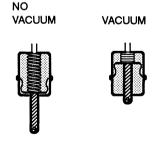
### **VACUUM SYMBOLS**

THROUGH



### **VACUUM MOTOR OPERATION**

#### SINGLE DIAPHRAGM MOTOR



Vacuum motors operate like electrical solenoids, mechanically pushing or pulling a shaft between two fixed positions. When vacuum is not applied, the shaft is pushed all the way out by a spring.



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ARROW SHOWS FROM MANIFOLD FITTING TO COMPONENT

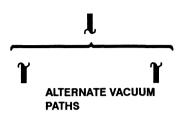




**SERVO MOTOR** 



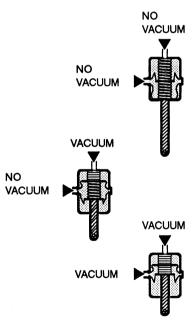
Some vacuum motors, such as the Servo Motor in the Speed Control, can position the actuating arm at any position between fully extended and fully retracted. The Servo is operated by a control valve that applies varying amounts of vacuum to the motor. The higher the vacuum level, the greater the retraction of the motor arm. Servo Motors work nearly the same way as two-position motors, except for the way the vacuum is applied. Servo Motors are generally larger and provide a calibrated control.



#### NOTE

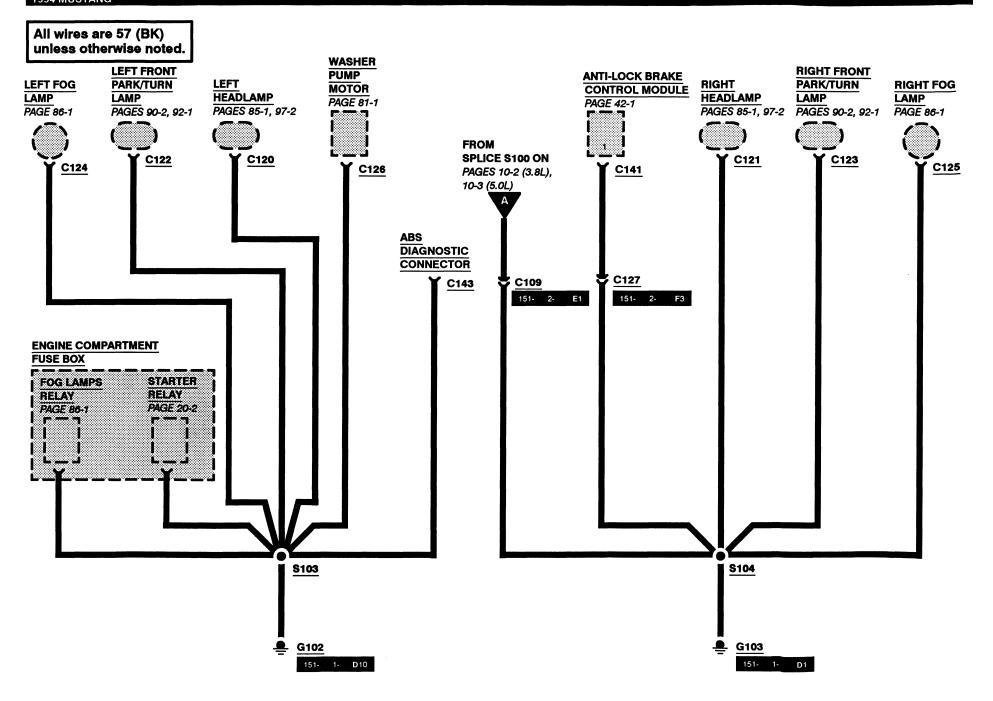
Other vacuum symbols used on vacuum system diagrams are fully explained on those pages.

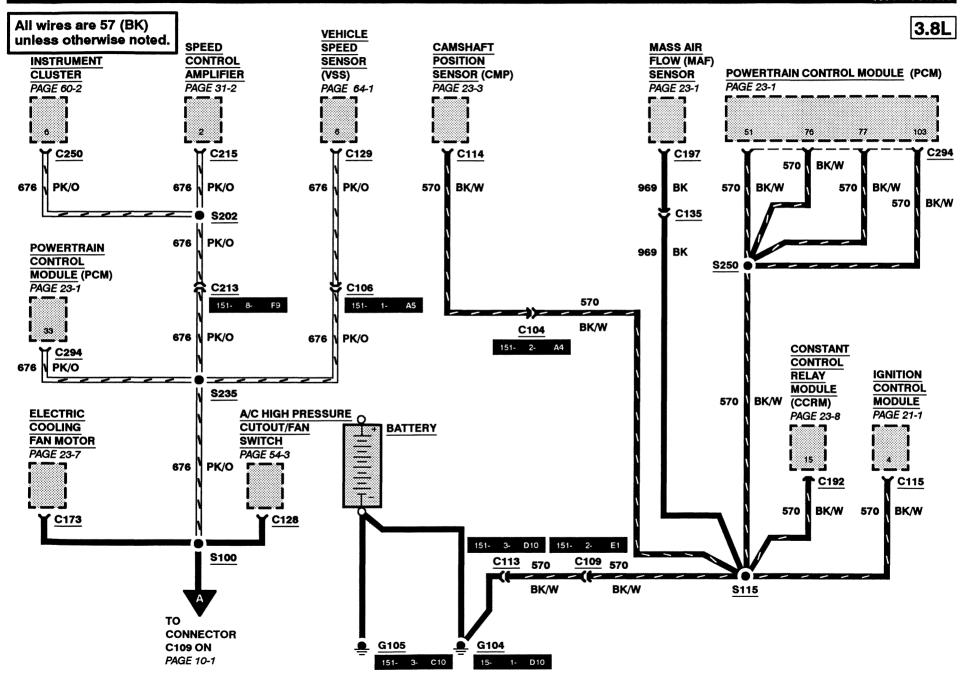
#### **DOUBLE DIAPHRAGM MOTOR**



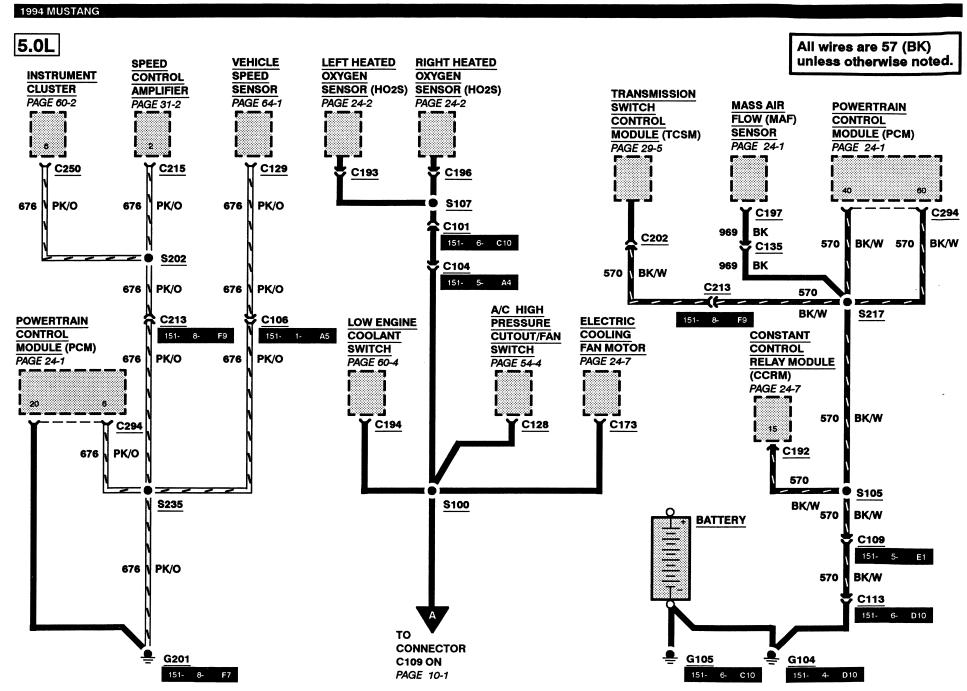
A double diaphragm motor has three positions (it is actually two motors in one housing). When the top port gets vacuum, the shaft pulls halfway in. When both ports get vacuum, the shaft pulls all the way in.

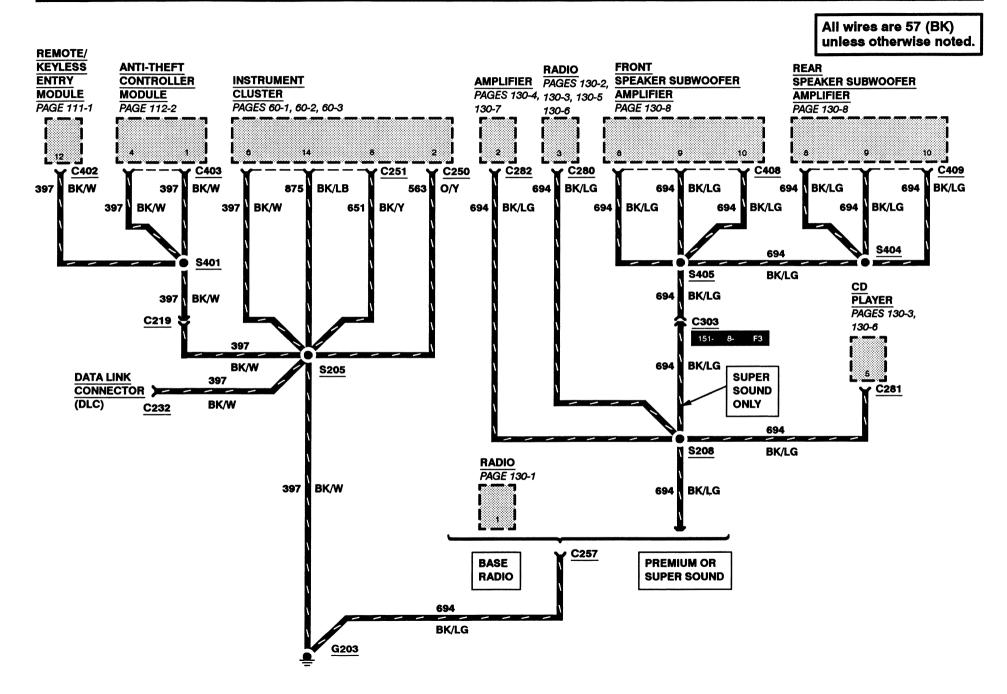
### 10-1 GROUNDS



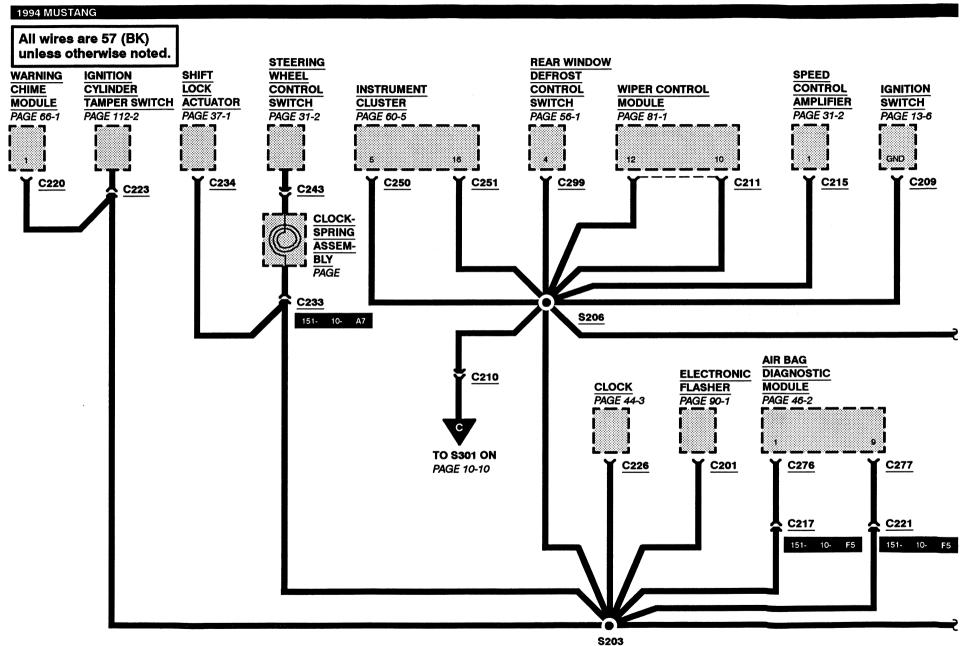


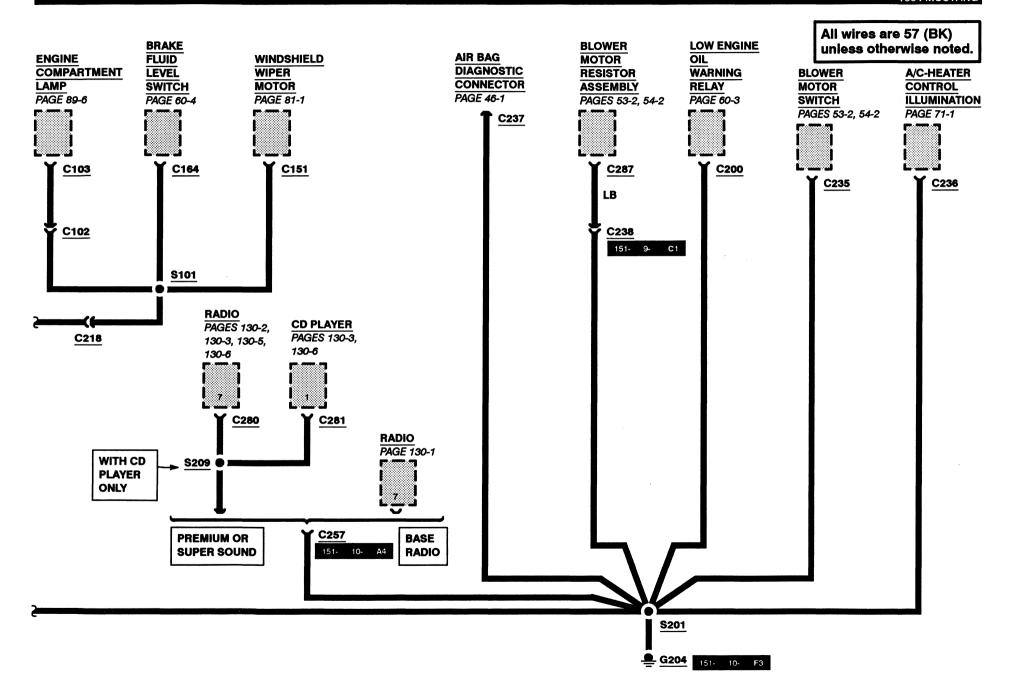
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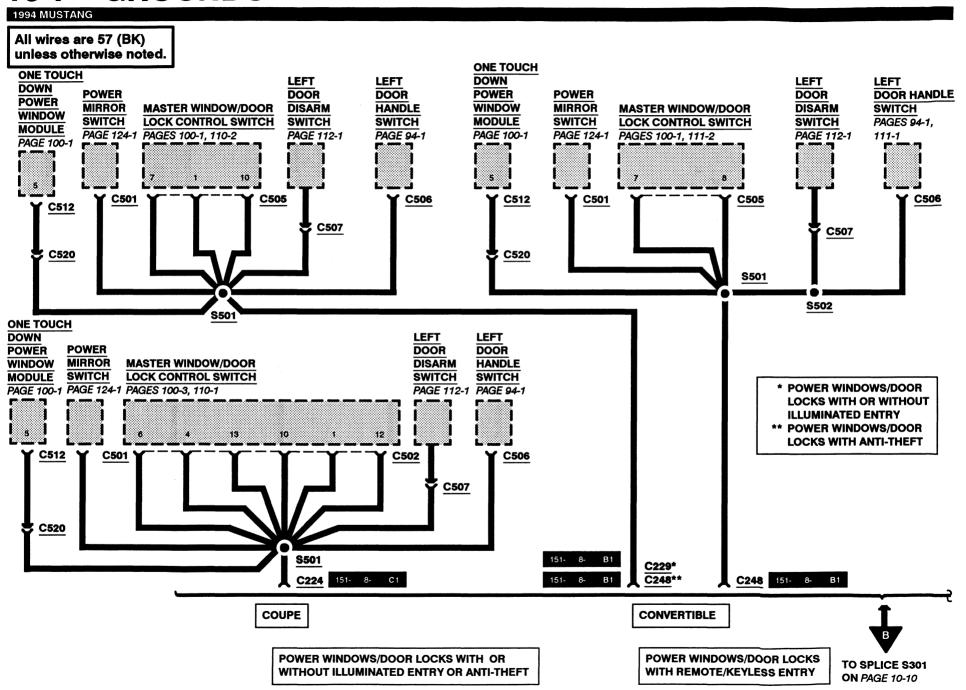


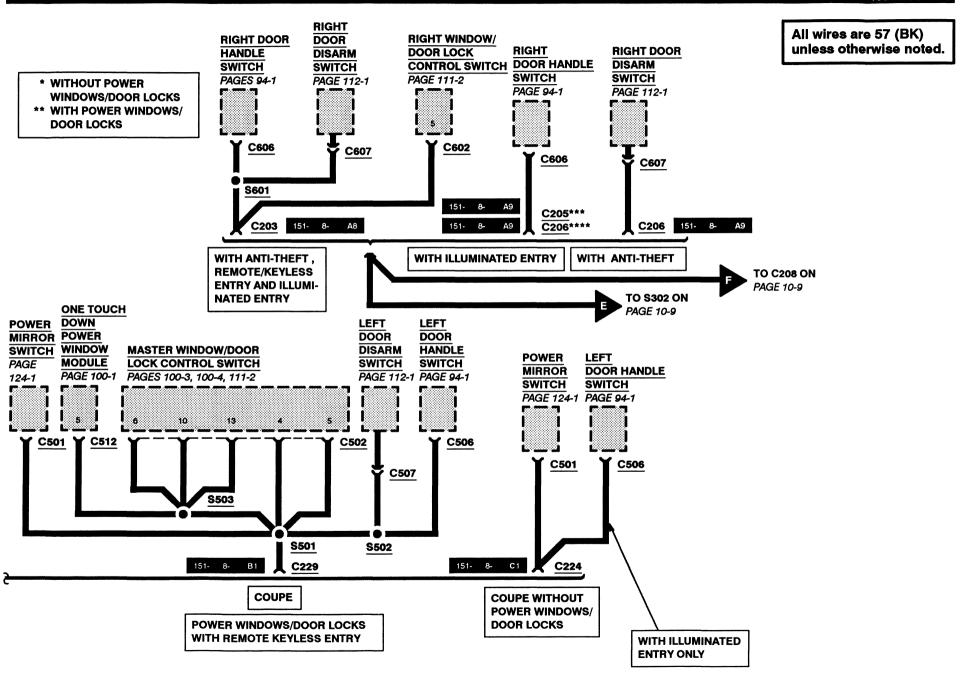
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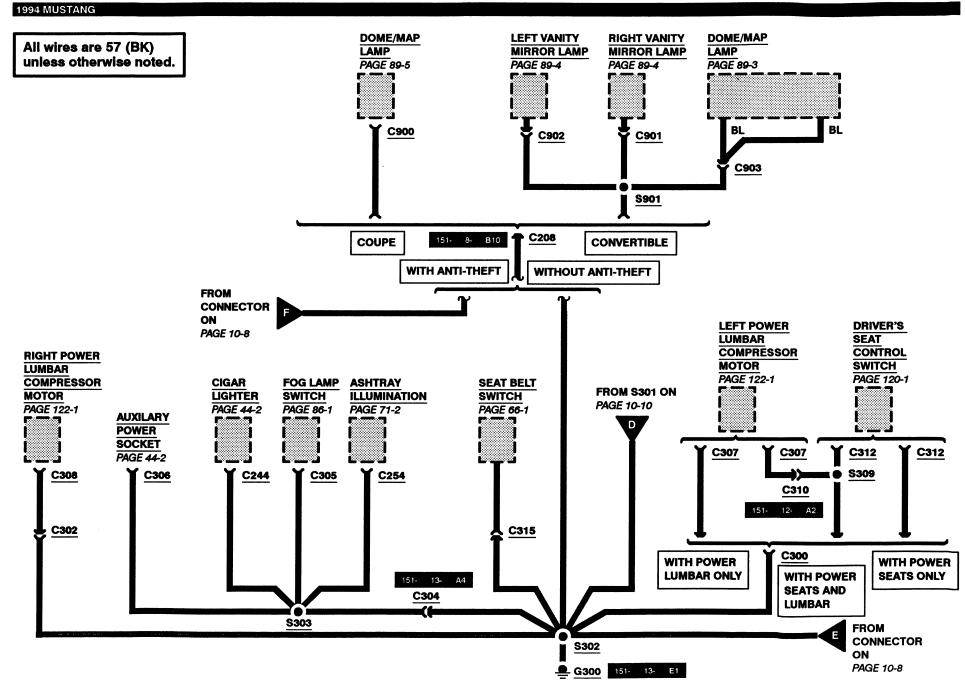


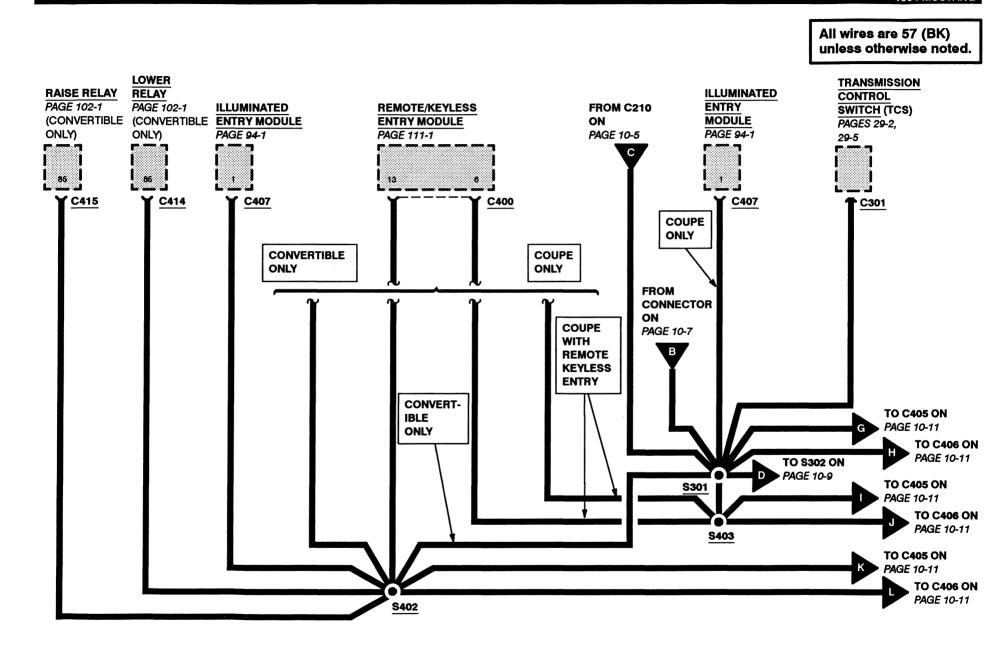
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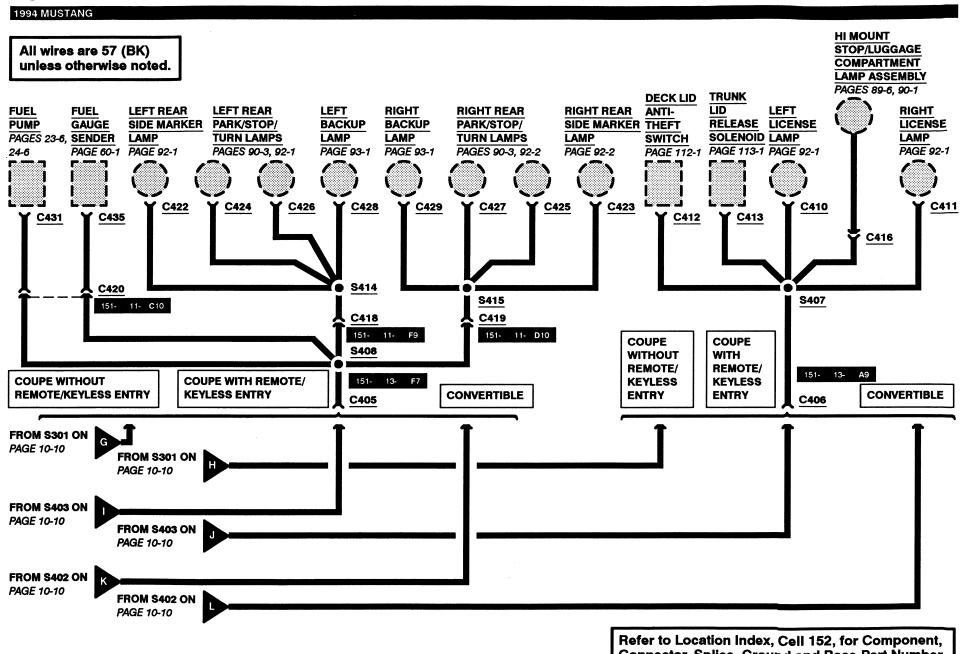


### 10-9 GROUNDS





### **10-11 GROUNDS**



Refer to Location Index, Cell 152, for Component, Connector, Splice, Ground and Base Part Number descriptions and locations.

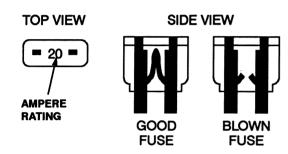
### 11-1 CIRCUIT PROTECTION/FUSE PANEL

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#### **CIRCUIT PROTECTION DEVICES**

Electrical circuits on this vehicle may be protected by fuses, fusible links, fusible link cartridges, circuit breakers, or a combination of these devices.

#### **BLADE TYPE FUSE**

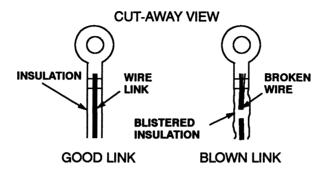


Blade type fuses have a transparent plastic housing. To check a fuse, pull it from the fuse panel and look at the fuse element through the housing. Always replace a blown fuse with a new fuse that has the same ampere rating.

The ampere rating of a blade type fuse can also be determined by following the color code shown here:

BLADE FUSE COLOR CODING					
AMPERE RATING HOUSING COLO					
4	Pink				
5	Tan				
10	Red				
15	Light Blue				
20	Yellow				
25	Natural				
30	Light Green				

#### **FUSIBLE LINK**



Fusible links are short lengths of wire that are smaller in diameter than the wires they are protecting. Fusible link wire is covered with a special thick, non-flammable insulation. An overload condition causes the insulation to blister. If the overload condition continues, the wire link will melt. To check a fusible link, look for blistered insulation. If the insulation is okay, pull lightly on the wire; If the fusible link stretches, the wire has melted.

When replacing fusible links, first cut the protected wire where it is connected to the fusible link. Then, tightly crimp or solder the new link to the protected wire.

Fusible links are often identified by color coding of the insulation, as shown here:

FUSIBLE LINK COLOR CODING						
WIRE LINK SIZE	INSULATION COLOR					
20 GA	Blue					
18 GA	Brown or Red					
16 GA	Black or Orange					
14 GA	Green					
12 GA	Gray					

#### **FUSIBLE LINK CARTRIDGE**

Fusible link cartridges have a transparent colored plastic housing. To check a fusible link cartridge, look at the fuse element through the side of the housing.

To replace a fusible link cartridge, pull it from the fuse box or panel. Always replace a blown fusible link cartridge with a new one having the same ampere rating.

The ampere rating of a fusible link cartridge can also be determined by following the color code shown here:

FUSIBLE LINK CARTRIDGE COLOR CODING					
AMPERE RATING	HOUSING COLOR				
30	Light Green				
40	Amber				
50	Red				
60	Blue				











