

Tailgate Check 2011-2018 JK Wrangler Replaces Part #: 4589890AC

NOTE: Both the tailgate hinges and tailgate check act in conjunction to slow the tailgate and prevent it from over-extending. Tailgate checks that have failed due to overextension are the result of failed tailgate hinges in most cases. Please inspect the tailgate hinges for damage; using the image as a guide. The body-mounted portion of the hinge must contact the tailgate-mounted portion when fully open. Replace if necessary.

NOTE: Oversized tires and wheels can cause premature failure of the tailgate check and hinges. Be careful when opening the tailgate if you have any additional weight mounted to the tailgate.



- Open the tailgate. Remove fasteners holding the interior quarter panel trim in place. See <u>Figure 1</u>.
 NOTE: If vehicle is equipped with a subwoofer it will need to be removed.
- 2. Pull the interior quarter panel trim to expose the Tailgate Check mount. Remove the four T30 Torx head bolts. See Figure 2.
- Remove the two T-30 bolts that mount the factory Tailgate Check to the tailgate. Remove the OE check. See Figure 3.
- 4. Place the new **Tailgate Check** in place. Using the OE hardware, loosely fasten the **Tailgate Check** to the interior of the vehicle.
- 5. Loosely fasten the Tailgate Check to the tailgate using the OE hardware. Torque all hardware to 10 ft. lbs. (13.5 Nm)
- 6. Reinstall interior panel and subwoofer (if applicable).
- 7. Test the function of the **Tailgate Check**.







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