2018-2024 Chevrolet Equinox LS - Replace Brake

2018-2024 Chevrolet Equinox | Easy | 15-25 minutes | $5 DIY

TOOLS

screwdriver or small socket for the lamp screws clean gloves or a rag helper for the brake pedal

PARTS

Brake Light Bulb 7443 $5.00

STEPS

1. **Open the liftgate and find the dead bulb - With the liftgate raised, have a helper press** the brake pedal and confirm which side is out. This guide covers the bulb-type lamps.
2. **Remove the lamp’s mounting screws - Remove both screws and keep them in a cup or magnetic** tray - they are small and love to disappear into the bumper. Do not pry on the lens; the screws plus guide pins are all that hold it.
3. **Pull the lamp straight back off its guide pins - Grip the lamp assembly firmly and pull** it straight toward the rear of the car. Once free, support the lamp so it does not hang by its wiring.
4. **Twist out the stop-lamp socket - Find the socket feeding the bright red brake-light** section of the lamp, turn it counterclockwise about a quarter turn, and pull it out of the housing. Note how it sits so the new one goes in the same way.
5. **Install the new bulb without touching the glass - Match the replacement visually to the** old bulb: same size, same base, same single filament.
6. **Reinstall the lamp on its guide pins - Line up the guide pins with their holes in the** body and push the assembly straight in until it sits flush against the quarter panel. Reinstall the two screws and snug them gently - the plastic housing cracks if you overtighten.
7. **Test every function before closing up - With the lamp back in place, have your helper** work through the brake lights, tail lights, and turn signal on that side while you watch. Only close the liftgate once everything works.

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