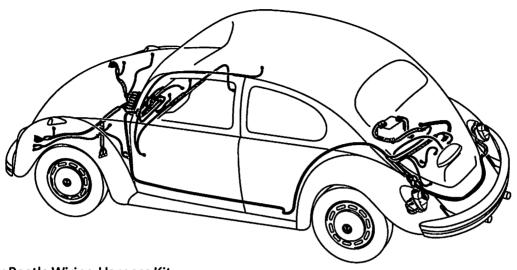


# Wire Harness Instructions 1972 Super Beetle



1972 Super Beetle Wiring Harness Kit

This wiring harness kit fits 12-volt Bug sedan and convertible models.

If your Bug has electrical upgrades, such as an alternator, or additional equipment, some modifications will be required.

Basic automotive electronic knowledge is essential for proper installation of this wiring harness. Thoroughly read these installation instructions and study the diagrams to familiarize yourself with the basic layout of your vehicle's electrical system.

Document the routing of the old wiring harness and sub-harnesses prior to removal. A digital camera is a useful tool for this step.

If your car was recently painted, you will need to address certain areas of the body/chassis in order to achieve proper electrical continuity. Use a file, sandpaper or emery cloth to remove paint from the mounting locations of the headlights, taillights, front directional indicator bulb holder, negative battery strap, transmission to chassis strap, etc. Use touch-up paint or nail polish to seal the surrounding areas of the connection to prevent corrosion.

Please note that this kit does not include the wiring for the door buzzer, diagnostic plug or additional wires needed for the Autostick option.

#### **Component List**

- Main Harness (1)
- Dome Light Harness (1)
- Headlight Harness (1)
- Brake Light Harness (1)
- Miscellaneous Wires/Sub Harnesses (37)
- Grommets (11)
- Headlight Plugs (2)

- 1-1 Connectors (15)
- 1-1 Male Connectors (13)
- 1-2 Connectors (1)
- 2-2 Connectors (2)
- Main Harness to Body Clips (2)
- Piggy back connectors (2)

#### Installation

- 1. Disconnect negative cable from battery. Review the instructions, and identify the various sub-harnesses and supplemental wires.
- 2. Now the fun begins! Disconnect the main harness connections from their respective locations. Note that the main harness travels along the heater channel and the dome light harness travels through the roof member at the left-hand side of the Bug. With all the wires disconnected behind the dash push the main harness through the grommet in the trunk floor towards the interior of the car. Next, remove the rear seat bottom and left side rear door panel. Along the left heater channel on the interior of the car lift up the carpet where it meets the floor. Along this path you will find 2 clips holding the harness snug to the heater channel. Remove these with a screw driver releasing the harness. Disconnect the wires from the voltage regulator. Next open the engine lid and remove any insulation material that may be present within the cavity located at the upper left corner of the compartment (where main harness exits). The main harness runs under the firewall sound deadener so you may want to remove the engine to gain better access to remove the sound deadener. Disconnect all the wires from the corresponding components. Attach a dragline onto the rear portion of the wiring harness (fish tape or heavy cord material). Overlap the dragline and main harness for about one foot and use duct tape or plastic tape to attach the dragline securely to the main harness. Wrap the tape tightly as to create a strong, streamlined bundle. With the dragline securely attached to the old main harness, pull the harness from the rear as an assistant helps guide the dragline under the rear seat. .

With the old harness removed slide the supplied large 50mm grommet, part # 111971919, onto the tail end of the new main harness and up towards the middle of the loom making sure that the grommet is positioned with the open cup facing forward. Attach the rear of the new main harness onto the dragline under the rear seat in the same fashion as prior. Coat the new harness liberally with wire lube (surgical lube works well, KY Jelly, Astroglide, etc.) and pull the new harness into place from the rear while an assistant helps guide the harness from under the rear seat. Be sure to keep lubricating the new harness as it is being fed while keeping the harness bundle as straight as possible. If the harness becomes stuck, do not force the issue. Reverse the procedure and observe the path of travel and remedy any obstacle. With the harness pulled into position use the supplied 2 new clips to attach the new harness to the side of the heater channel. Feed the front end of the harness through the underside of dash into the trunk area using the new grommet supplied, part # 111971907 See diagram on page (5) for proper connections on the main harness.

- 3. Remove the dome light from the roof, and disconnect the wires. Remove the wires from each dome light switch located behind each door jamb, and remove the red wire from the fuse box. Attach a dragline onto the wires at the roof opening and carefully feed the dragline though the slot, while and assistant pulls the dome light harness from the front.
- Attach the dragline onto the new dome light harness and feed through the front, while an assistant gently pulls the dragline at the roof opening. Connect harness per diagram on page (7)
- 4. Install new headlight harness, see diagram on page (6). When routing the wires through the supplied rubber grommets make sure to use lubricant to ease the wires through. Use the supplied headlight plugs and refer to the diagram on page (6) to correctly locate the wires into the plug. Route the horn wire bundle through journal in trunk (left side of the trunk, next to brake tubes). Install the appropriate push-on connectors to the harness. (see page 6)
- 5. Install brake light switch harness. Route the harness through the slot in the body on the drivers side of the fuel tank. Place 3 of the supplied 1-1 male connectors onto the headlight harness wires, yellow/black, black/red and red and plug these 3 wires into the corrosponding colored wires from the brake light harness.

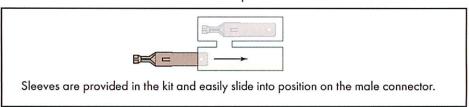
- 6. Install left and right front turn signal/park light harnesses. Use the illustration on page (8) for correct installation. You want to make sure that you connect the black wire to the brighter side of the bulb (see note in upper corner of page (8) for more info).
- 7. Ignition Switch and Steering Column Harnesses. From the inside of the car plug the harnesses into the underside of the dash next to the steering column. Route the turn signal/wiper harness through the hole on the left side of the column and the ignition switch harness through the hole on the right side of the column. Finish installation using the diagram on page (9). Don't forget to lube the grommets before installation.
- 8. Install miscellaneous supplemental wires, see page (10-12) for illustrations:

Its best if you have the dash switches removed from the dash with the terminal identification in clear view when installing the balance of dash wiring.

- Install taillight harnesses (5 wires bundled in white conduit, 525mm length), see diagrams on pages (10 & 5). Install the 1-1 connectors and the 1-2 connector as outlined in the diagram onto the corresponding wires of the main harness. Connect each taillight harness to their respective positions as outlined within the diagram. Use the supplied grommets (center portion has a closed membrane, use knife to open small slice in center) to route each harness through the quarter panel.
- For the back-up lights follow the diagram on page (8) to install the necessary wires.
- Install license light harness (grey and brown wires in black conduit, 1250mm length), see diagram on page (10). The grey license light wire connects onto the 1-2 connector of the right taillight harness. Route the wire to the license light assembly while observing its proximity to the fan. Keep the slack of the wire as far away from the fan as possible. Use two of the 1-1 male connector sleeves to plug into the license light.
- Attach the dash ground wire harness (brown wire many connectors) using the diagram shown on page (12).
- Attach misc. power wire harness using the diagram shown on page (7).
- Attach choke power wire from terminal 15 of the coil, to choke element located on the side of the carburetor and to idle shut off valve. (black wire, 425mm length, one end finished with female quick-disconnect terminal and opposite end finished with short black wire with quick disconnect ends).
- Install the heavy red wire in the PVC sleeve, 920mm long between the starter, terminal 50 through the rear of the floor pan on the drivers side using the supplied grommet and a 1-1 connector. Connect to the thick red wire out of main harness at the voltage regulator.
- We have supplied an extra wire to use on high/low beam relays that have a #30 terminal. You may not need this.

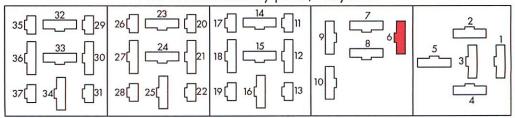
This completes the installation. Review your work to insure that you have not crossed any wires. Reconnect the battery cables and check all the electrical components for proper operation.

## Installation of male push-on connector sleeve.



Within the following pages we use the diagram below with a red marking to indicate the exact position of the wire within the relay panel. In this example the wire would be running to the High Beam Relay at the terminal marked in red. This relay panel sits on top of the fuse box.

View of fuse box relay panel, relay side.

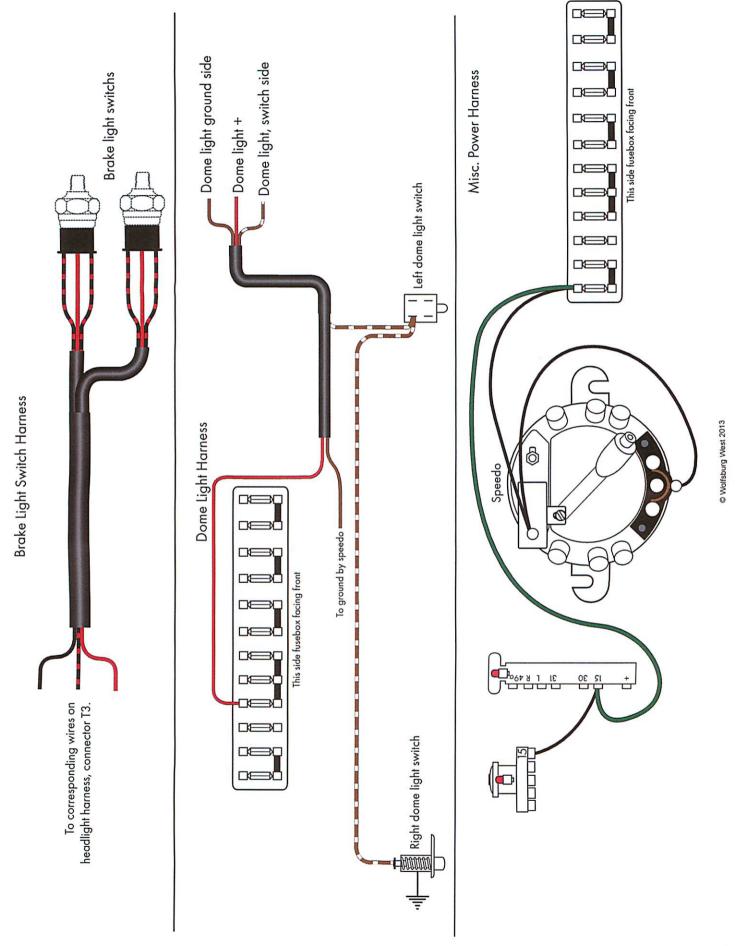


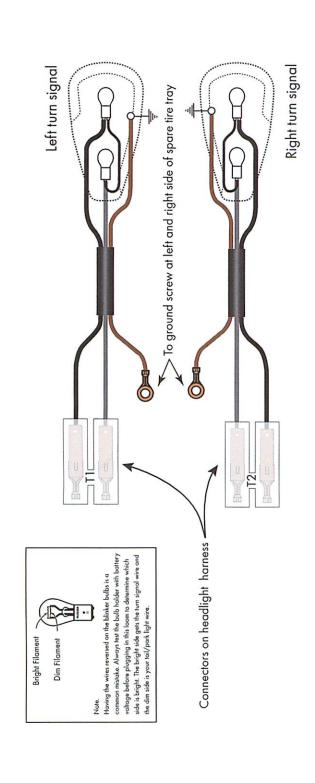
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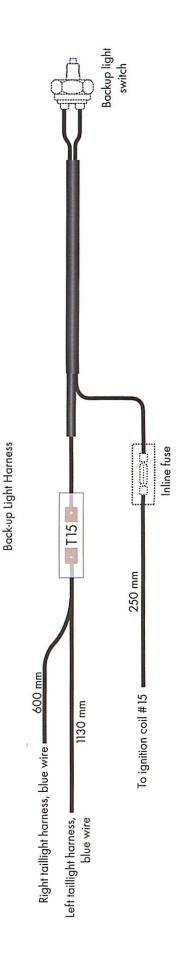
High Beam Relay Turn Signal Relay

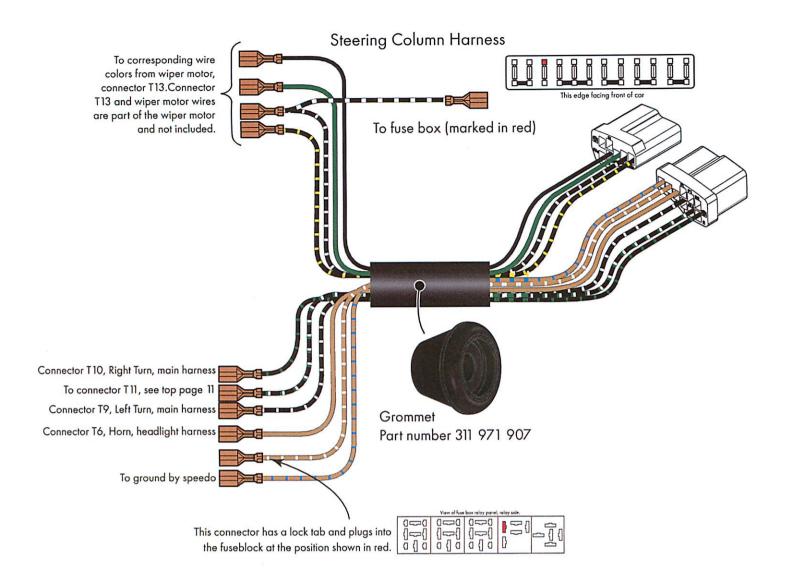
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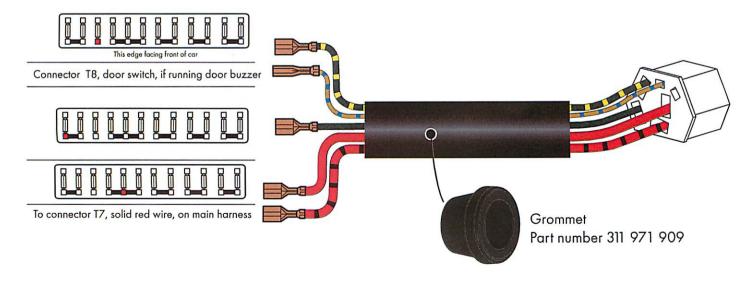


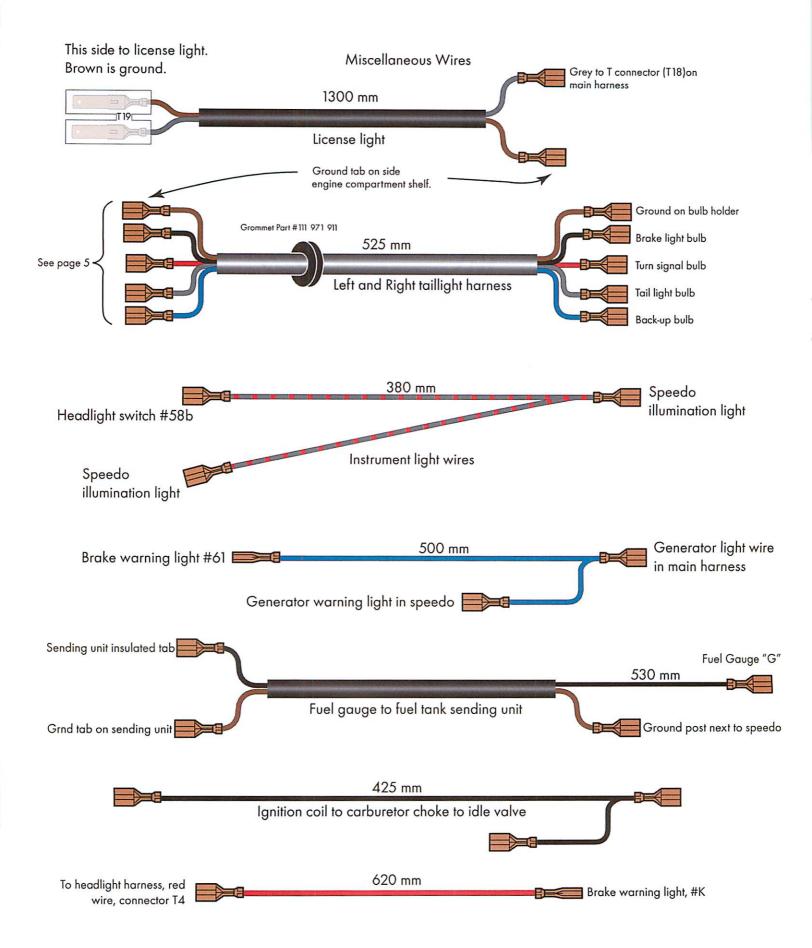




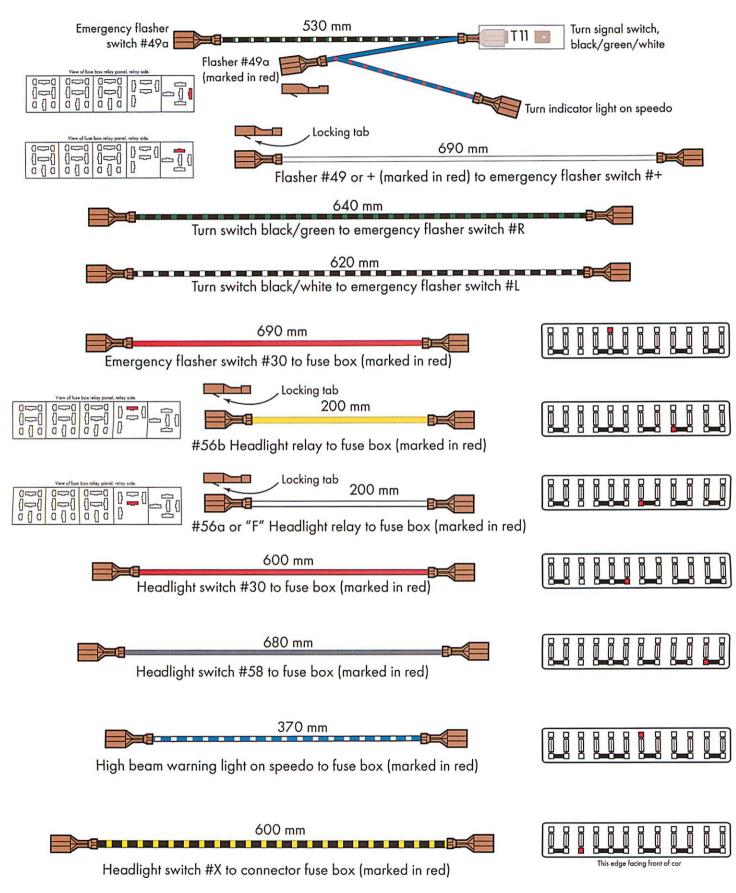


# Steering Column Harness

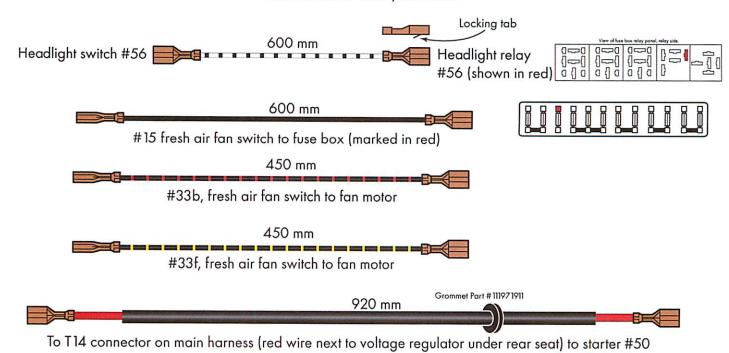


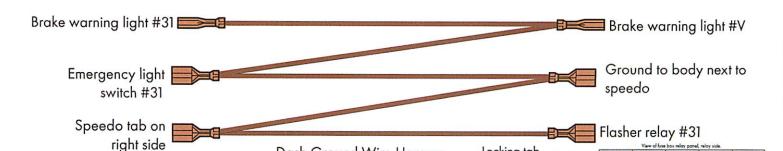


### Miscellaneous Wires, continued



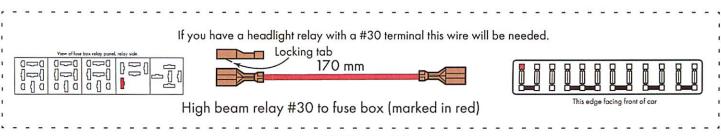
## Miscellaneous Wires, continued





Locking tab

Dash Ground Wire Harness



Α	Battery	M7	Brake/tail light, left
В	Starter	M8	Brake/tail light, right
Ċ	Generator	0	Coil
C1	Voltage regulator	01	Automatic choke
D	Starter/Ignition switch	O2	Idle valve cutoff
E	Windshield wiper switch	S	Fuse box, 12 fuse
E1	Rear window defog switch	<b>S</b> 1	Back-up light fuse in engine compartment
F	Light switch	Tl	Double connector, left quarter panel
G	Turn indicator switch	T2	Double connector, right quarter panel
G1	Emergency flasher switch	T3	Triple connector, left quarter panel
Н	Horn button	T4	Single connector, behind speedometer
H1	Horn	T5	Single connector, behind speedometer
H5	Ignition key warning buzzer	T6	Single connector, behind speedometer
j	Turn Signal/Emergency relay	T7	Single connector, behind speedometer
J3	Dimmer relay	T8	Single connector, behind speedometer
J4	Stop light switch	T9	Double connector, behind speedometer
J5	Oil pressure switch	T10	Double connector, behind speedometer
J6	Back-up light switch	TII	Single connector, behind speedometer
J7	Fuel gauge sending unit	T12	Single connector, behind speedometer
J8	Brake warning light switch	T13	4 connector, behind speedometer
J9	Rear window defog relay	T14	Single connector, under rear seat
K1	High beam warning light	T15	Single connector, behind engine sound deadner
K2	Generator warning light	T16	4 connector, behind engine sound deadner, left
K3	Turn indicator warning light	T17	Triple connector, behind engine sound deadner, right
K4	Oil pressure warning light	T18	Y connector, behind engine sound deadner, right
K5	Speedometer light	T19	Double connector, at top of engine door
K6	Fuel gauge vibrator	W	Windshield wiper motor
K7	Fuel gauge	X1	Back-up light, left
K8	Brake warning light	X2	Back-up light, right
L1	Sealed-beam unit, left	Υ	Interior light
12	Sealed-beam unit, right	Y1	Interior light switch, left
M1	Parking light, left	Y2	Interior light switch, right
M2	Parking light, right	Z	License plate light
M3	Turn indicator, front left	<b>Z</b> 1	Rear window defogger
M4	Turn indicator, front right		
M5	Turn indicator, rear left	1	Battery ground strap
M6	Turn indicator, rear right		
		2	Steering column to steering box ground jumper
		3	Chassis to transaxle ground strap

