

# Temporary Disabling of an Airbag

Meets NATEF Task: (A6-H-5) Disarm and enable the airbag system for vehicle service. (P-1)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Time on Task \_\_\_\_\_

Make/Model/Year \_\_\_\_\_ VIN \_\_\_\_\_ Evaluation: 4 3 2 1

To safely work on the steering system of any vehicle that is equipped with an airbag (supplemental restraint system [SRS] or supplemental inflatable restraints [SIR]), it is important that the airbag(s) be temporarily disabled and reconnected after the steering service work has been performed.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Disconnect the negative (-) terminal of the battery.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Locate and remove the fuse for the airbags.

**HINT:** The fuse for the airbag(s) often has a yellow band around the fuse to identify the airbag fuse.



- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. How was the specific fuse labeled that needed to be removed to disable the airbag?

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- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Disconnect the yellow electrical connector at the base of the steering column to open the circuit to the driver's side airbag.

**CAUTION:** This is an important step. The airbag could be deployed even without battery power, because the airbag computer module contains a capacitor that can trigger the airbag in the event that power is lost during an accident.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Disconnect the connector for the passenger's side airbag (if equipped).

Location of the connector \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructor's OK** \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. After all service work has been completed on the vehicle, restore the operation of the airbag(s) by reconnecting the electrical connectors and installing the airbag fuse and the battery connections.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Start the engine and verify proper operation of the dashboard airbag warning light.