

[Disabling The Key-In Warning Chime \(aka the Annoying Beeper\) DIY Guide](#)

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Method #1 (invisible mod):

Hi all,

I've found a simple, non-destructive way of disabling the key-in-ignition beep - just unplug connector M9.

Ohhh, what's M9? It's a little 2-pin plug in the wheel column, connecting the key-in-ignition switch to the wiring harness back to the 'Time Control Module' (that which beeps). (Can you tell I've just received my copy of the service manual? :-)



Unplug that little connector and you'll forever be at peace with the door open.

One thing that threw me when looking at this is that the manual says this wire pair should be 1) Red and 2) White w/ Blue stripe, but it omits the colour change past M9 (both red w/ black stripe as I recall). And of course there are other white w/ blue stripe wires in that area...

BTW, removing the steering column covers is easy, but just make sure you undo all 4 screws - there's one screw in a deep hole on the left-hand side of the column.



Some points to consider:

1. There is a plastic "bezel" around the ignition switch which is best removed "first" (simple pry off with a slot screwdriver)

Replacement is just a "push-on" after the upper and lower plastic housings are re-united.

2. Series II X-Trail has TORX bit screws - size is T20 and standard Philips head screws for the Series I X-Trail (4 screws in total)

3. The connector in Series II is slightly different, but is still only a 2 wire connector, easily seen and taken apart.

4. When re-uniting the 2 plastic pieces, it is easier if you put the right side (as you face the steering wheel) together first, followed by the left - then the bezel - then the screws.

There is a feature that turns the dome lights on **immediately** after you turn the key off.

With the key-in beeper disabled, this feature ceases to function. The dome lights do come on as soon as you open the door.
Ben

Method #2 (visible mod):

This method has been included in the DIY Guide as an option for those who choose to have a visible switch to turn on and off the key chime at any time. It could also prove a great positive should you decide to sell the xtrail, in which case you can simply explain the purpose of this switch to the new owner.

1. Take of front and back scuff boards and pillar cover. The scuff boards just lift off as dose the pillar cover, just pull it away from the rubber trim and slide it down.



2. There will be three wires black, red and red with a white stripe. You need to cut the red wire say about 20mm from the door switch. Join a peace of wire to each, end around one meter in length(.5mm) with some wire joiners and tape up so it wont move around.



3. Run the wires down as per photo and add wire clamps.



4. Pull trim off seat floor frame from front to back a bit tricky so take your time.



5. You need to make a hole for your switch. I used a peace of hot wire to cut mine out, up to you on how you do it.



6. Put all your trims back plug your wire clamps into the back of your switch and push the switch into the trim and its all done. Good luck



Andrew