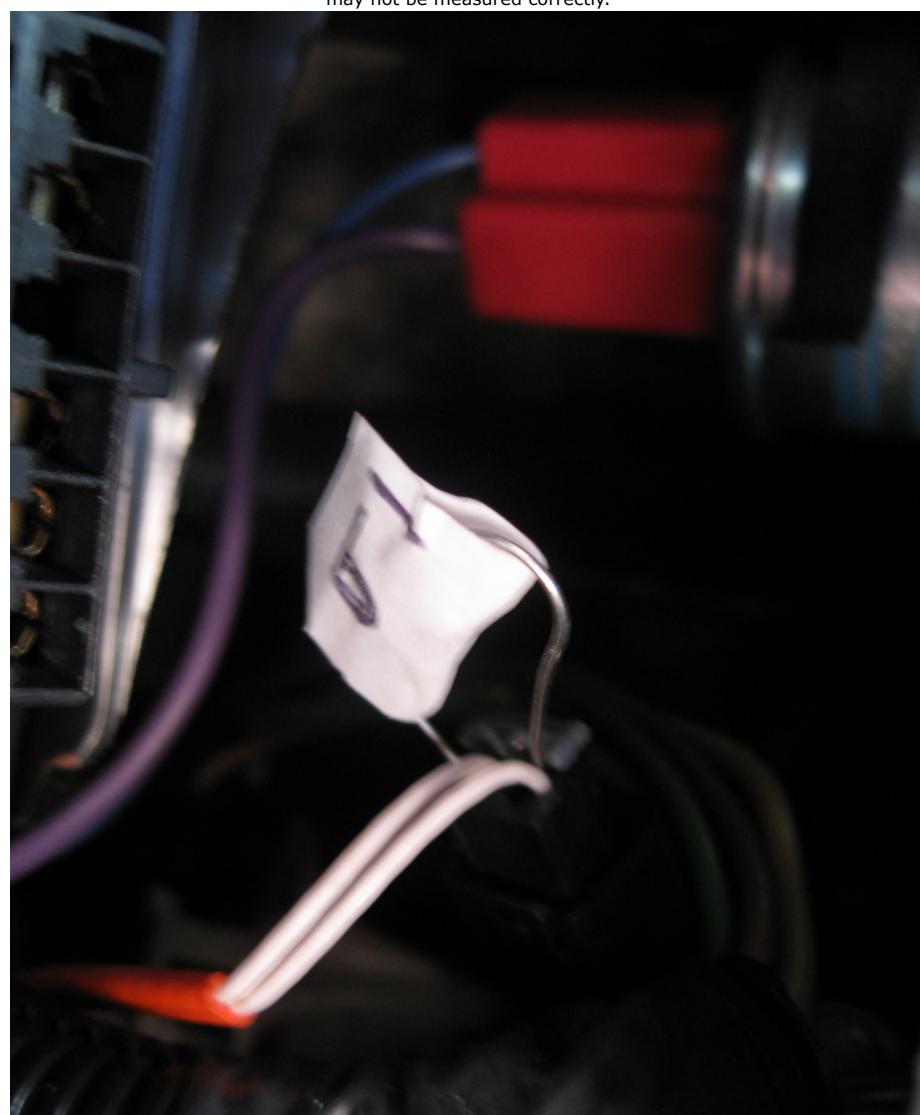


Simply insert one end of the resistor into both wires so they contact the metal in both sides but do not let the resistor cross each other. Make sure it is inserted correctly and completely or resistance may or may not be measured correctly.



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 Posts: 2,842  
 Likes: 0  
 Received 5 Likes on [5 Posts](#)  
 (post\_thanks.php?  
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 Car: 1988 GTA  
 Engine: 5.0 TPI  
 Transmission: T5  
 Axle/Gears: 9 Bolt, 3.45

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Join Date: Sep 2006  
 Location: sunny so cal.  
 Posts: 1,531  
 Likes: 0  
 Received 1 Like on [1 Post](#)  
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 do=findthanks&u=53751)  
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 Engine: 305  
 Transmission: 700r4  
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[#8 \(electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4125923\)](#)

**mudbucket72**  
 (member.php?  
 u=96132)  
 Junior Member

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 Location: ohio  
 Posts: 16  
 Likes: 0  
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 Car: 91 camaro  
 Engine: 3.1 v6

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[#9 \(electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4126188\)](#)

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 (member.php?  
 u=1933)  
 Senior Member

Join Date: Jun 2008  
 Location: ohio  
 Posts: 1,000  
 Likes: 0  
 Received 0 Likes on 0 Posts  
 Car: 1982 mustang  
 Engine: 5.0 V8

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**Re: how to disable VATS???**

Quote:

Originally Posted by **Ward** (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4078786)  
 Doing the resistor mod doesn't actually disable VATS, that can only be done with a custom PROM. The resistor thing does however bypass the key-reader in the ignition, which is the most common failure source. It essentially tricks the VATS system into always thinking the correct key resistance is there. I did this mod after my key-reader broke, and left me stranded at a gas station.

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Car: 90 Formula  
Engine: 305  
Transmission: 700R4  
Axle/Gears: 9 bolt/3.27

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What about the key reader broke? I've been helping a friend with a no start problem on his '91 RS and after a new starter and new ignition switch (down beneath the dash) it still wouldn't start with the [Register](#) (<https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/register.php>) key. I located the starter enable relay and was able to get the car to crank when I popped the cover off and held the contacts together. I'm going to order a new relay Monday morning but at this point I want to be sure all the bases are covered.

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**#10 (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4131607)**

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

this is a very common problem on the older cars. and very excellent explanation JTNKTZ

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(member.php?u=74065)  
Member

Join Date: Jan 2008  
Location: close to Wichita Kansas  
Posts: 194  
Likes: 194  
Received 0 Likes on 0 Posts  
Car: '91 RS CP now is the son's driver  
Engine: CP =3.1, will get V-8 maybe someday  
Transmission: stock  
Axle/Gears: 3.42 posi W/disks

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**#11 (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4132267)**

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

If you find the right code. This might help

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(<http://www.ecklerscamaro.com/product.asp?p%5Fid=725139&dept%5Fid=1620>).

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Member



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Location: colorado springs  
Posts: 378  
Likes: 0  
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Car: 1991 Z-28  
Engine: 350  
Transmission: TH700

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**#12 (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4132425)**

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

Quote:

Originally Posted by **mudbucket72** [\(electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4125923\)](#)  
how do i figure out what key i have

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Location: Davisburg, MI  
Posts: 683  
Likes: 0  
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this site was right on the money. Breaks it down scooby doo style for you. Gotta be pretty dumb not to know how to do this

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**#26 (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4841298)**  
**Re: how to disable VATS???**

hey i tried it and my meter read 2.35, so i assumed 2,350 ohms right. Well i made a resistor for that value and tried it and it didn't work. What is the deal with that?

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Car: 91' Firebird SOLD  
Engine: 350 TPI +bolt-ons  
Transmission: 700r4  
Axe/Gears: 3:42  


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**#27 (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4841367)**  
**Re: how to disable VATS???**

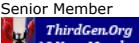
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Likes: 0  
Received 7 Likes on 6 Posts  
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Engine: LB9 (305 TPI)  
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**#28 (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4841611)**  
**Re: how to disable VATS???**

After replacing my third vats ignition switch I got frustrated with it so I soldered my spare key to a hidden toggle switch and unplugged it under the dash and soldered it to it. Now I flip the switch when I park it so it is still functional

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The ground can go to any ground source. The power wire gets a 12v switched, that's only on when the key is on. The signal wire gets wired into the VATS signal wire on the ECM connector. You'll need to look up a pinout for your ECM connector to find which wire that signal wire is. Its usually a dark blue I think. It should be the only VATS anything wire labeled on the pinout.

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**#36 (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4848189)**

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

Quote:

Originally Posted by **travis401** ([electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4848150](#)).  
The ground can go to any ground source. The power wire gets a 12v switched, that's only on when the key is on. The signal wire gets wired into the VATS signal wire on the ECM connector. You'll need to look up a pinout for your ECM connector to find which wire that signal wire is. Its usually a dark blue I think. It should be the only VATS anything wire labeled on the pinout.

  
  
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**#37 (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4858559)**

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

I have a pic of the connector to ecm pin do u know which one it is here is a pic



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traviz401 and vettov can u elaborate or be more specific on where would u hook up the wires on a vats delete box i can read the wiring diagram on vettov but not to good on it like if u can send pics of where i would have to wire the 12v, ecm vats signal wire im sorry im not to smart when it comes to hooking up wires

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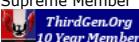


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**#39 (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4858664)**

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

if you look on the pic you posted, the top plug, pin b6 is labeled as vats...thats the wire you need to splice the signal wire from the bypass box into. its labled as a ppl (purple) wire

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**#40 (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4859817)**

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

oh o k i think i can start to see the picture ground basically anywhere there is ground signal gets spliced to the vats purple wire and the 12 volt gets spliced on the hot on the ingniton right

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**#41 (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4859946)**

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

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**#45 (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4865226)**

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

Thanks ... I did that .... it was just being extra stubborn. Brute force carefully applied with the clip gently pried up eventually did the trick.

Thanks again!

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**#46 (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4893695)**

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

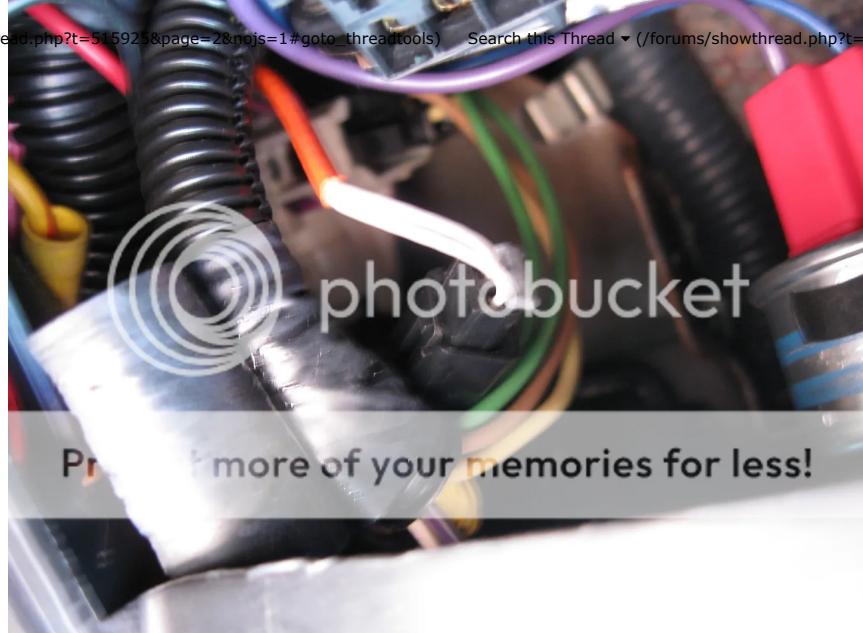
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Originally Posted by **JTNKTZ** ([electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4078740](https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4078740)).  
*Easiest, cheapest way.*  
*Find the resistance of the pellet resistance of your key and match it with one in the chart. Then go to radioshack and find a resistor between the minimum and maximum resistance of your key.*

KEY BLANK NUMBER	DESIGN RESISTANCE	MINIMUM RESISTANCE	MAXIMUM RESISTANCE
#1	402	386	438
#2	523	502	564
#3	681	650	728
#4	887	850	942
#5	1,130	1085	1195
#6	1,470	1411	1549
#7	1,870	1795	1965
#8	2,370	2275	2485
#9	3,010	2890	3150
#10	3,740	3590	3910
#11	4,750	4560	4960
#12	6,040	5798	6302
#13	7,500	7200	7820
#14	9,530	9149	9931
#15	11,800	11328	12292

*Go underneath your dash and remove panels if necessary. You will need to look for a plug that has orange shrink over 2 white wires.*



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*Simply insert one end of the resistor into both wires so they contact the metal in both sides but do not let the resistor cross each other. Make sure it is inserted correctly and completely or resistance may or may not be measured correctly.*



I'm having trouble seeing how this would work. The resistor is not in series with the circuit, meaning there would be a different value read out assuming that our keys are in series with the VATS circuit. When I try to do this, I get the error message "Assume VATS circuit is not connected".

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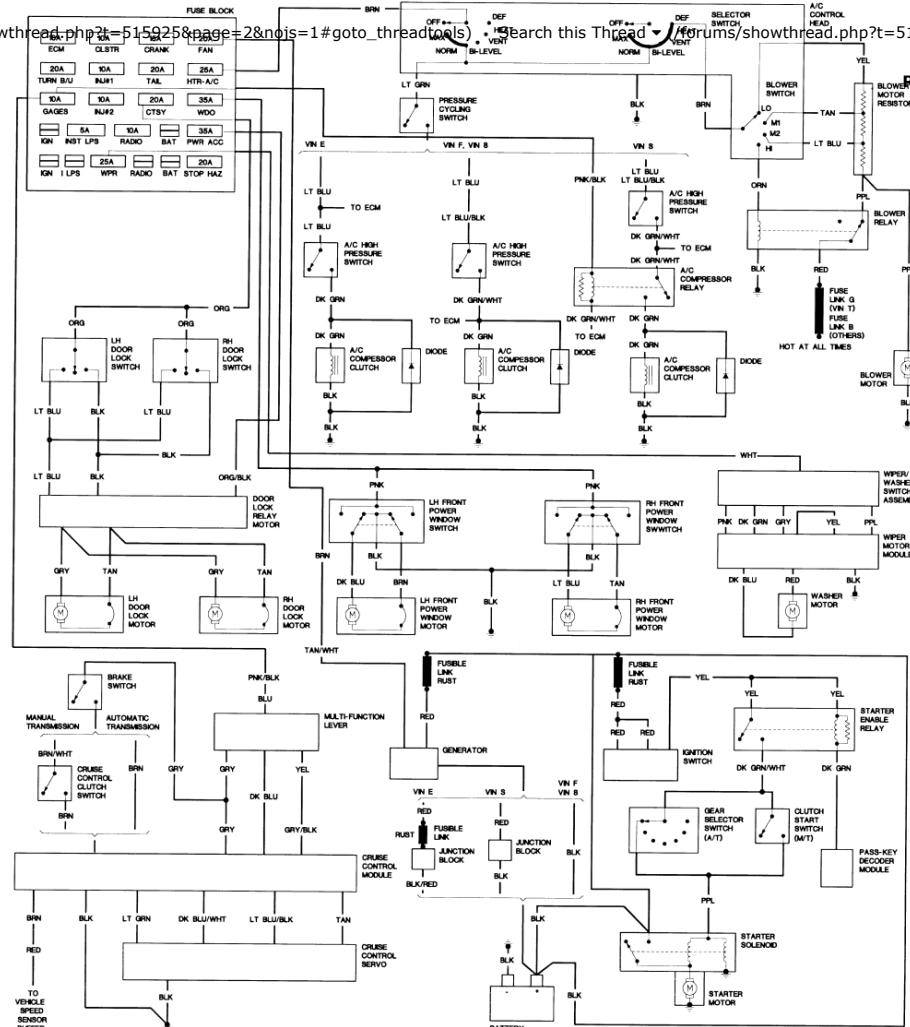
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 Location: Arlington, Tx  
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 Likes: 0  
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 Posts: 645  
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#66 (https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post4946059)

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

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 Location: Central Texas  
 Posts: 2,893  
 Likes: 0  
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 Car: GTA  
 Engine: 350 TPI  
 Transmission: 700R4  
 Axle/Gears: Aussie 9-bolt/3.27 posi

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#67 (https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post4946063)

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

Quote:

Originally Posted by **Syntax45170** (https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4941367).

*Hi y'all ! I bought a 88 Firebird Trans-Am as of a week ago today. Please keep in my mind that this is the first car I've ever owned that was over 10 years old. And I can't start the car and I suspect it's the VATS system fault but I've also been told that they only put those on the 89's and later. Is that true? Could I have gotten a newer Anti theft system and will need to disable the VATS? If so what is the easiest way to do so? I'm only 18 and even though I'm handy with a ratchet I'm no where near a prodigy. Could I just get it done professionally?*

No chip on the key = no VATS. No mistaking if it is there or not either.

And your 88 should not have it.

Last edited by BlackenedBird; 06-08-2011 at 08:55 PM.

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#68 (https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post4946106)

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

Quote:

Originally Posted by **cronsformula350** (https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4946059).

*My system is also screwing up. It lets the starter work, but doesn't ground the fuel injectors or fuel pump to prime and run. I saw on my gauge the injectors were primed, and they weren't firing, the exhaust didn't smell like gas. No fuel. I can't by pass that yet to work, that's a more complicated fix at an ultra foods, lol. I'm wondering does that vats module see a problem where then? I read that lead with my meter in my car, it shows my amount & still no fuel action, lol. But 15 times on off ignition resets it? I've never heard that, I just put 10K on my car, and 132+ and it just screwed up last night, lol. I'm all ears*

Unless your starter enable relay has been bypassed (grounded) then its not a VATS issue. The module grounds the starter enable relay then it will fire. (https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post4946059) Then its functioning. There could be a short wire from the VATS module to the ECM or something like that. Or a faulty ECM. (https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post4946059) The last thing is the ground connection to the VATS module.

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[#69 \(https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post4946833\)](#)**Re: how to disable VATS???**

wheres the starter enable relay? I've never heard of that before, my starters working, but the fuel side isn't coming in, which is also part of the vats system as stated on all data

Here's all data:

**CIRCUIT OPERATION**

The brain of the PASSkey(R) system is a special decoder module that reads the pellet resistance through the lock cylinder contacts. It then compares this key code with its own internal code.

If the codes match, the decoder supplies a ground for the starter enable relay and modulates a 5 volt reference signal (at 2.5 volts) from the ECM or PCM which will then pulse the fuel injectors.

If the codes do not match, the decoder module sets its internal timer which locks out starter operation and fuel enable for up to three minutes.

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The start enable relay is located under the kick panel on the driverside, sorta under the hood release latch. Most likely under a black square of goo. If your starter turns it sounds like the VATS module is getting the correct resistance from the key and sending the signal, its just not making it to the ECM, or the ECM isn't functioning correctly. Does the SECURITY light on your dash stay lit when you turn the key to the ON position?

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[#71 \(https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post4947756\)](#)**Re: how to disable VATS???**

no security light on, crank, no fuel injector relay or pulsing. I primed the pump, and its at like 40psi for 2 days now. VATS won't energize the fuel circuit as part of its safety, so its something funny, ed wright mentioned I should remove the vats alarm module all together, so I'll try that soon today, i'll keep you posted...son bich lol

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This repair can be applied to ANY electrical connection including, but not limited to: lighting, body electrical, in-line connections, powertrain control sensors, etc. DO NOT over apply lubricant to the point where it prevents the full engagement of sealed connectors. A light coating on the terminal surfaces is sufficient to correct the condition.

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Condition

Some customers may comment on any of the following conditions:

- An intermittent no crank/no start
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#75 (<https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post4948542>)

Re: how to disable VATS???

Thats just a general bulletin to put an electrical conducting grease one any electrical connector having intermittent problems.

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#76 (<https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post4949187>)

Re: how to disable VATS???

WELL that was actually written up as a TSB on ALldata but I checked the one right near the brake booster, it was fine, theres a tar like substance in there from the factory. I also fixed one terminal by the battery, I got it apart, barely and it was broken inside, usually they're not glued together, but this one was so bad refixed it. Then I shared it in the [thirdgen.org forums](https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/member.php?u=24836) (https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/member.php?u=24836) and the tech boards (<https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/tech-boards/>). There was some discussion on that thread, then I found the thread (<https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post4949187>)

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Location: Illinois, home of 132,000+ on it now: The copper link from wires to the back of the fuse was just broken free and laying there, hence why it just stopped in traffic, but its all better now  
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Junior Member

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Location: Stockton, CA  
Posts: 24  
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Car: 1989 Camaro RS  
Engine: V6 2.8L  
Transmission: Automatic

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#77 (<https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post4952206>)

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

my wire is 2 yellow wires wrapped in black. i did the resistor fix but still doesnt start it.. still has no power to the starter and fuel pump at least thats what the "mechanic" said.. any advice as where to look next? or what it could be.. HELP please

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#78 (<https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post4952428>)

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

thats not the coorect wires to start with...it should be a white and black wire, wrapped in an orange case. usually wires wrapped in a yellow case are for the SIR.

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Posts: 718  
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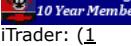
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Axle/Gears: 3.42 stock posi disc[#82 \(https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post4965922\)](#)**Re: how to disable VATS???**

yea, theres a light on the dash that says "security" it should light up a few seconds then shut off. if it stays lit theres a problem with VATS, or its the wrong key or something along those lines. if it doesn't have a security light on the dash then you're car may not have a VATS system at all. I don't remember what year they started putting them in, but it was sometime in the mid 80s

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Location: The Okanagan, British Columbia  
Posts: 374  
Likes: 0  
Received 0 Likes on 0 Posts  
Car: 1984 Camaro Z28  
Engine: 305  
Transmission: 700R4  
Axle/Gears: 3.42[#83 \(https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post4965971\)](#)**Re: how to disable VATS???**

I have done it in my brother's 94 bird same procedure you're going to want to remove the kick panel under the steering column grab a multimeter and find the leads heading up to the ignition you're going to want to hook up the multimeter to those wires turn the ignition over with the key the multimeter will give the right resistor reading write down that value head to your nearest radioshack and buy the resistor that the multimeter read out and hook it up to the leads that's how you bypass it which is basically the same as disabling it.

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The resistor trick is only used to bypass a problem with either the key "chip" or the ignition cylinder contacts/wires. If you're getting the correct resistance values on the wires coming from the column, then adding the resistor is pointless since it only mimics the resistor in the key that is either not there, or not contacting right.

This doesn't solve an issue with the VATS module itself. If the VATS module is bad it has to be either replaced or bypassed with a VATS bypass module (the ones on Hawks and other various sites).

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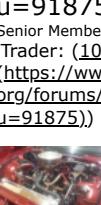
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**06-30-2011, 07:26 PM** #85 (<https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post4966237>)

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

You just solder your resistors in a series, then stick them in the back of the plug in? Do you unplug it or leave it plugged in?

  
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Engine: 385 stroker sbc  
Transmission: TKO600  
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**06-30-2011, 07:40 PM** #86 (<https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post4966247>)

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

Quote:

Originally Posted by **Stangski09** (<https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4966237>)  
*You just solder your resistors in a series, then stick them in the back of the plug in? Do you unplug it or leave it plugged in?*

You tell me. Do it in series and tell me what happens please. I've seen a picture a million times of a resistor in parallel and I don't see how that would work.

  
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Posts: 611  
Likes: 0  
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Car: 1990 Firebird Formula Engine: LB9 - 5.0 TPI Transmission: 700R4 Axe/Gears: 2.73, LSD

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**06-30-2011, 08:57 PM** #87 (<https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post4966315>)

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

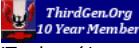
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travis401 (<https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/member.php?u=515905>) <https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/threadsearch.php?do=findthread&t=515925&page=3> range of the VATS if you need more than one computer completely, you unplug the common wires and attach the resistors in its place.

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**Offline**[#90](#) (https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post4967267)**Re: how to disable VATS???**

yes i understand that

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**Offline**[#91](#) (https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post5040820)**Re: how to disable VATS???**

Quote:

Originally Posted by **travis401** (https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4967114).  
*its a factory installed theft deterrent, not a "theft proof system" the only way to get a VATS equip car to start without the correct key is to either provide the resistance in the circuit or supply the correct pulse wave signal to the ECM. what thief do you know carries a resistors or a bypass module with them to steal a car?*

 pulse wave? I thought the signal from the PASSKEY module to the ECM was a steady 5 volts? hmm.  
 So much for my plan of making the ECM work without the darn thing.
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[#92](#) (https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post5040824)**Re: how to disable VATS???**

Quote:

Originally Posted by **ArtB** (https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post5040820).  
*pulse wave? I thought the signal from the PASSKEY module to the ECM was a steady 5 volts? hmm. So much for my plan of making the ECM work without the darn thing.*

 Steady 5V would be easy to supply with a paperclip in a few seconds so there would be no point in using VATS in the first place.  
 The signal from the PassKey module to the ECM is a specially modulated waveform that cannot be easily bypassed with a screwdriver or a paperclip. Though it can be still bypassed with the right module and adequate training. So as it has been pointed out numerous times before, VATS does not make the car unstealable but it makes it harder to drive away in for a regular thief.  
 If somebody wants to steal your car, they will. Even if you put chains through the wheels and weld the steering shut. Flatbed, anybody? 😊
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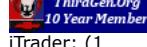
Well actually I'm not looking to steal anything. I'm looking to make the L98 tune port engine run in a swap. I have the PASSKEY module and all (yes all) of the wiring harness, engine to gas tank. (gas tank too) So I will either get one of those by.pass deals or the resistors for the lead to the ignition tumbler.

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[#94 \(https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post5041220\)](#)**Re: how to disable VATS???**

resistors are cheap and easily replaced. the bypass box is expensive, but good for someone who doesn't know how to use a multimeter. You can always have the ECM tuned to delete the VATS part too.

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 Likes: 0  
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 Car: 89 Formula L98 power  
 Engine: '96 subaru, opposed 4banger  
 Transmission: TH700R4, subaru 4WD  
 Axle/Gears: 3.27, just works

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[#95 \(https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post5041646\)](#)**Re: how to disable VATS???**

Well in my car, it wasn't anything to do with the VATS when these cars came out in the 80's they were the most commonly stolen vehicle in america, they didn't use resistors because they were cheap, your wrong on that one. Mine broke because the ECM 10 amp fuse holder, made of copper snapped in half at 134K and since 1989 in 2011. I'm likely going carb soon, my motots gonna be over 600hp on motor, so \*\*\*\* fuel injection, too much money to tune, let alone changing all the wiring and \*\*\*\*, and spend money on dyno tunes, f that!

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Quote:

Originally Posted by **cronsformula350**  (<https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post5041646>)  
I'm likely going carb soon, my motots gonna be over 600hp on motor, so \*\*\*\* fuel injection, too much money to tune, let alone changing all the wiring and \*\*\*\*, and spend money on dyno tunes, f that!

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Car: 91 Camaro RS  
Engine: empty bay (for now)  
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#97 (<https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post5042870>)

Re: how to disable VATS???

I have known how to change timing, tps and fuel pressure for years, thats not always "tuning" I meant the knowledge the computer has about the engine. Ed Wright closed his business now, no more dyno, and I'm just gonna run a carb!

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#98 (<https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post5044692>)

Re: how to disable VATS???

Quote:

Originally Posted by **Yahtzee**  (<https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4917590>)

All this resistor nonsense.....

Behind your drivers side kick panel there is relay with 4 wires going to it. I Un mounted the relay, pulled the black plastic cover off of the top of the relay to expose the contacts. Now here I simply wrapped the lever with electrical tape so that it is always in contact with its contact point. This will give the signal to your computer that says you have the correct key inserted and your car will crank everytime. Hope this helps!  
-Sean

1992 Firebird 305 5 Speed VIN#F

I checked behind my kick panel and this is what i find. Am I missing something or should I be seeing a relay? BTW, I had to break open the black insulation for the first time to look behind it. Does anyone have an actual picture of the starter relay?

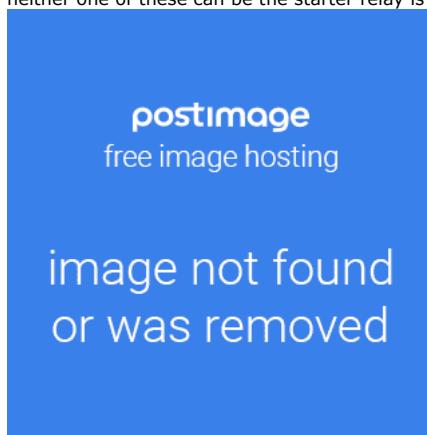
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neither one of these can be the starter relay is it? If not, what are they?



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[#99](#) (<https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post5044717>)**Re: how to disable VATS???**

My 92 Z28 looks exactly like your T/A wheel well featuring the same lack of the starter relay. So, if someone can enlighten me as well I would greatly appreciate it.

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[#100](#) (<https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-2.html#post5044783>)**Re: how to disable VATS???**

Quote:

Originally Posted by **mehanso** (<https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post5044717>).

*My 92 Z28 looks exactly like your T/A wheel well featuring the same lack of the starter relay. So, if someone can enlighten me as well I would greatly appreciate it.*

Mehanso, can you check if the relay is behind a shield near your starter/solenoid under your car?

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[#101 \(electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-3.html#post5044797\)](#)**Re: how to disable VATS???**

Quote:

Originally Posted by **BigMyke** (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post5044783)  
*Mehanso, can you check if the relay is behind a shield near your starter/soleil under your car?*

I will check first thing in the morning.

Thank you/

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[#102 \(electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-3.html#post5045487\)](#)**Re: how to disable VATS???**

Ok, so I dropped the starter out today and there is no sign of it....The only connector I have under the kick panel has I believe 6 wires in it. If anyone has any guesses I'm all ears...

The car was having an intermittent no start when it was hot and one day (a year ago) it was turned off and hasn't been started since. I assume the INFL REST light that flashes and then goes out is normal? Other than that there are zero lights or indicators that there is anything wrong at all.

I had installed a button that activated the starter directly and it will crank but nothing else unless you squirt starter fluid in it and it will run until the starter fluid is gone....lol

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[#103 \(electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-3.html#post5045517\)](#)**Re: how to disable VATS???**

Quote:

Originally Posted by **mehanso** (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post5045487).  
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Look for this relay. Ignore that someone in this picture had modified the wiring.

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Axe/Gears: Yep, they're in there.....**Offline**[#104 \(electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-3.html#post5045546\)](#)**Re: how to disable VATS???**

Good evening BigMyke,

I have been all over the interior and I haven't seen anything that even vaguely resembles that.....I will take some pics tomorrow when I get back to the car and maybe someone can see what I can't.....

Thanks....

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Just found this in another post so I thought I'd share.....

Mystery finally solved... Went to a local Chevy dealer and they didn't have a clue, but, they did have an old 92 shop manual.... We found the component location, although not exactly clear, it did lead me to the start enable relay... There is no way it can be located behind the kick panel on this car (factory harness)... Instead there are two identical connectors right behind the fuse box... The key to finding it was the location drawing... The fog light relay is a short harness with connector for the relay and comes out of the harness bundle running to the Test Connector... The start enable relay comes from the main wire harness bundle and sits above the fuse box tucked away above the main harness... I found it after searching blindly with my hand... It also is a short harness about 4 inches long ending in a connector that is the relay socket just like the fog light relay... On my harness, the start enable relay connector (socket) is marked PED 11 and the fog light relay connector (socket) is marked PED 15... The start enable relay is a cube with about 1 inch sides... Mine had tape around it and the socket to keep it from accidentally coming loose....

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This is just sort of an FYI. On my 89 IROC I had a heck of a time locating the starter enable relay. It was absolutely behind the left kick panel....but buried under a mass of some sort of black putty. Pulled out all of the black putty and there it was.....

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I appreciate your FYI however and they are welcome anytime....Thanks.

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#108 (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-3.html#post5271765).

Re: how to disable VATS???

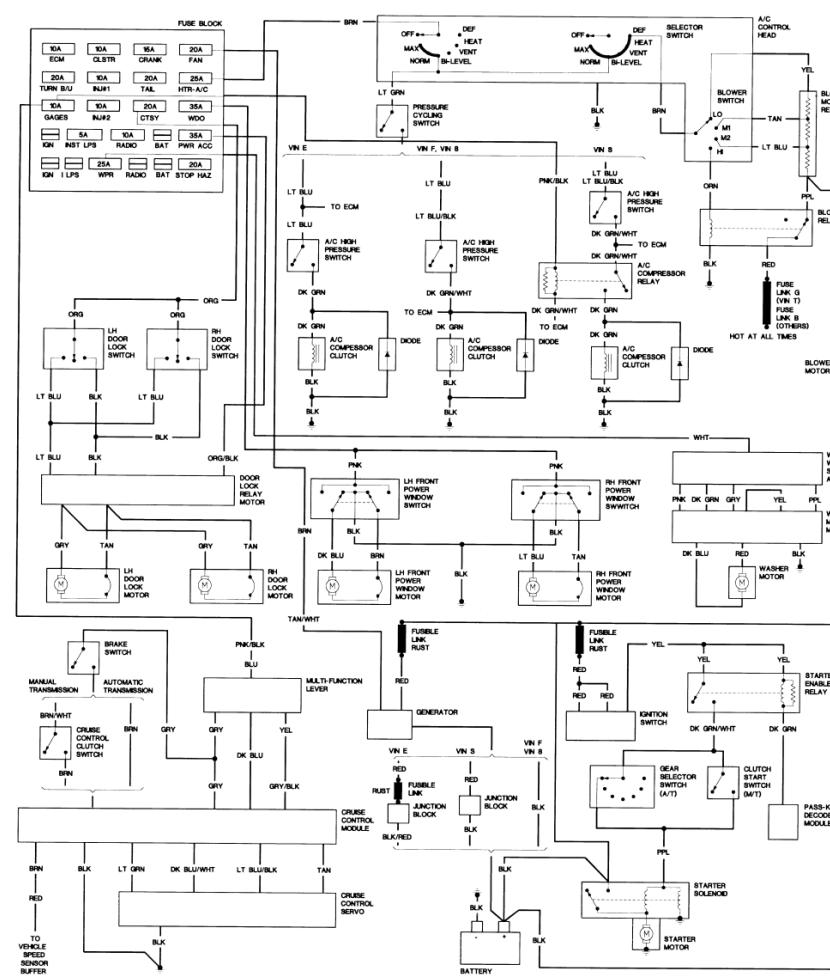
Quote:

Originally Posted by **BigBadLou** (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4917716).  
Travis is right.

That relay is called the Starter Enable Relay and is controlled by the Pass-Key decoder module, it does not control the ECM or anything. If you only had a problem with this relay and not the whole Anti-Theft system, then taping this relay closed helped solve your issue. But it wouldn't work for any general VATS problem, specifically missing keys, bad ignition cylinder key contacts, broken key wires or bad Pass-Key decoder module. Your fix only addresses a bad SER, no other VATS issues.

Hope this clears it up.

Lou



Quote:

Originally Posted by **travis401** (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4917925).  
Ive lost count at the number of threads were Ive explained the VATS system, but here it is again...

The VATS system works like this. There is a VAS module that is programmed to turn on a few things. It has a correct resistance load to ground. This resistance load is created by the chip in your key. When you put the key in the ignition, it sends a signal to the VAS module to contact with the rear contacts in the ignition. This completes an electrical circuit and current flows

through the 'key' and into the VAS module with that amount of resistance on the key.

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*(gave it (with a little more from the actual wiring). If the VATS module doesn't interpret this as a correct value, it does nothing. If it does interpret the resistance value being correct and within the tolerance range, it activates. When it activates, it does 2 things. It grounds the start enable relay under the driver side kick panel, allowing current to pass to the starter and spin the motor. It also sends a signal to the ECM that tells the ECM the correct key is inserted and its ok for the injectors to fire. Without BOTH of those happening, your car doesn't run.*

*The person who just taped the relay together, you most likely have a faulty start enable relay, or your VATS module is malfunctioning or has already been bypassed.*

*The easiest way to bypass the start enable relay is to ground it permanently and leave it in place. Or you can rewire the starter solenoid wire to not include that relay if the relay is bad or you just want to get rid of it.*

thanks for all the info guys, looking at the schematic and reviewing how the system works can you just take the dark green wire from the relay to the pass key decoder module and simply ground it? would that bypass the system and allow the car to start? I'm worried that the day will come when my wife calls me and says the camaro won't start and leaves her stranded.

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#109 ([electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-3.html#post5271779](#)).

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

There is several other things you have to do in order to bypass "the system" if you are referring to VATS.

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#110 ([electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-3.html#post5271787](#)).

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

I have gotten as far as bypassing the starter relay by splicing the green and yellow together followed by splicing the two smaller wires together. (Don't know if this is correct, have heard of some folks grounding one of these two wires to chassis).

I tried the resistor in place @ the orange wires to white wires connection scenario to no avail. Also a bypass module to pin B6 of the ECM . (BLUE WIRE) to no avail. I have crank via bypass of starter relay. Fuel pump prime is good but no injector pulse via NOID light. Any help on this subject would prob. benefit two camaro enthusiasts here. Thanks.

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#111 ([electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-3.html#post5271914](#)).

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

the start enable relay can be bypassed by grounding the relay's dk green wire. however it doesn't do anything for the rest of the VATS system. if you combine the relay wire grounding and a VATS delete tune, you won't have to worry about VATS ever again. you can also get away with the relay wire grounding and the resistor trick. but if the VATS module itself goes out, the resistor trick won't do diddly...

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**05-13-2012, 10:29 PM** #112 ([electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-3.html#post5272046](#))

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

You ever hear of the VATS modules being intermittent in their operation. I finally got injector pulse "WOOHOO" I grounded the black/yellow wire to starter enable relay along with butt-splicing the 10 awg yellow and green. Removed VATS bypass module. Installed resistors between two wires under driverside dash. Turned on ignition security light came on followed by turning off. Turned over ignition and wala NOID light to injector illuminated. This time with no security light after ignition attempt. Reconnected injector connector turned it over again and wala sputter sputter sputter, die. Reattempt sputter, sputter, sputter backfire, die. Must have a timing issue as all is well with wiring and distributor as far as i can tell. I did remove and reinstall the distributor for a valve job due to excessive oil consumtion. I thought i installed it fairly straight but you know one tooth off and your screwed. Any ideas while i was at it i think i might get rid of the stock distributor for more of a performance type.

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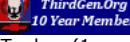
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**05-13-2012, 11:07 PM** #113 ([electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-3.html#post5272079](#))

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

sometimes the VATS module will act up before it finally dies. its more common for the contacts in the column to wear out though. the resistor trick removes the column from the VATS equation so that could explain why its working now. it also renders the VATS system useless as theft protection unless you make the resistors removable.

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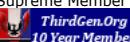
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**05-13-2012, 11:09 PM** #114 ([electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-3.html#post5272086](#))

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

make sure you have the est wire unplugged when setting timing... you should be 6 degrees before tdc if i remember correctly... Also you could have the dizzy stabbed 180 off.. restab it again ... Took me like 10 times to finally set it right and i still think im a little off. Make sure you use a long flat head screw driver to adjust the oil primer connection...

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i made my resistor removable because its the best kill switch on the planet, plus it gives me a discount on car insurance because it is considered a kill switch...

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[Offline](#)[Register \(https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/register.php\)](#)[#118 \(electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-3.html#post5522000\)](#)**Re: how to disable VATS???**

I am planning on bypassing VATS but I don't know what wattage to get. Can anyone help?

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[Offline](#)[#119 \(electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-3.html#post5522269\)](#)**Re: how to disable VATS???**

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[#120 \(electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-3.html#post5522308\)](#)**Re: how to disable VATS???**

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Quote:

Originally Posted by **Xphoidz** [\(electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post5523258\)](#)*I was referring the wattage because you can have a 3k ohm resistor that is 1/4 watt but a 12 watt 3k ohm resistor is much bigger than the first one, but i figured it out lol*

1/4 watt or 1/2 watt will work fine. no need for the big wattage resistors.

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**Re: how to disable VATS???**  
I tried this and now my car will not start even when i take the resistor out, Can someone help?

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#124 (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-3.html#post5525633)

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

If you tried the wrong resistor, then the VATS disables the starting even with the correct key for....iirc.....12 minutes. Did you wait long enough & try the key again? Maybe you used the wrong resistor?

Or if the VATS module itself is dead then the bypass won't work. The resistor bypass trick relies on a functioning module to work.

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#125 (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-3.html#post5525968)

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

It did start after I waited a few minutes but i measured the key and the resistance is in the correct ohms level.

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#126 (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-3.html#post5582723)

**Re: how to disable VATS???**

Quote:

Originally Posted by **BlackenedBird** (<electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post5522308>)

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Thanks!

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Thanks!

My understanding of the circuit is that both of those white wires go to the VATS Module itself which would mean that neither one would go to your momentary switch. Both just connect to the resistor & the wires off the other plug, going to the cylinder, would essentially become un-used at all.

Resistors do have a directional current flow requirement but unfortunately I can't say which is correct & which isn't for this application. Never thought about it before but with both wires being white, I dunno how anyone could identify them individually to say which direction to insert the resistor. Wish I had to a way to know with way to insert it then had a pic to share.

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#128 (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-3.html#post5582730)

## Re: how to disable VATS???

Quote:

Originally Posted by **Jeffrey Fontaine** (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post5582723).*does it matter which direction the current is going? I.e. does it matter which white wire i use to be the + side of my switch?*

Nope, it does not matter. Resistors are bi-directional (or non-directional). Diodes (and other semiconductors) are directional and electrolytic capacitors but resistors aren't picky about the current flow. They are just a load in the path of the current. You're good to go.

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#129 (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-3.html#post5582734)

## Re: how to disable VATS???

Quote:

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DOH! Diodes is what I was thinking of when I mentioned the directional part.

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#130 (electronics/515925-how-disable-vats-3.html#post6244035) Register (<https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/register.php>)**Re: how to disable VATS???**

Quote:

Originally Posted by **stealth908** ([electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4078331](https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post4078331)).  
The best option is to buy or burn a PROM with it disabled. You can buy a VATS bypass module from Baker Electronix (or make your own) but the one I bought from Baker didn't work. Once I got a PROM without VATS (from an 87 car) it fired right up!

*Save yourself the hassle and have someone disable it in your PROM for you.*

I realize that I am resurrecting an old thread, but new to the Camaro community. I bought a 92 RS 5.0 TBI on Thursday, and here we are on Monday and it stranded me. So, I am wondering how to go about getting the appropriate PROM, or having it disabled in the current one?

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**Re: how to disable VATS???**

Quote:

Originally Posted by **92Panther28649** ([electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post6244035](https://www.thirdgen.org/forums/electronics/515925-how-disable-vats.html#post6244035)).  
I realize that I am resurrecting an old thread, but new to the Camaro community. I bought a 92 RS 5.0 TBI on Thursday, and here we are on Monday and it stranded me. So, I am wondering how to go about getting the appropriate PROM, or having it disabled in the current one?

Seek out the member here named "Tuned Performance" , he is trustworthy and will set you up with a proper chip . Also , Beware ! There is at least one other person here who advertises custom chip burning but too many folks have stories of being burned , so Tuned Performance (his name is Brian) is really who you want to go to

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Junior Member

Join Date: Aug 2018  
Location: NC  
Posts: 2  
Likes: 0  
Received 0 Likes on 0 Posts  
Car: 1992 Chevrolet Camaro RS  
Engine: 5.0L TBI  
Transmission: Automatic Overdrive  
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