

The pigtail has a light signal but no communication



Article Overview

A pigtail that lights up but does not communicate usually indicates a wiring, connector, or grounding issue rather than a power problem.

Common Causes

- **Connector Corrosion or Damage** Over time, pigtail connectors can accumulate corrosion, dirt, or moisture, which prevents proper electrical contact. Even if the power pin is functional, signal pins may fail to transmit data or control signals correctly .
- **Bent or Misaligned Pins** Pins inside the connector can become bent, recessed, or misaligned, especially with repeated plugging and unplugging. This can allow the light to power on while blocking communication or signal flow .
- **Faulty Ground Connections** A poor ground can cause lights to stay on without flashing or prevent communication between the vehicle and trailer. Ensuring the ground wire is clean, secure, and properly connected is essential .
- **Short Circuits or Wiring Faults** Damaged wires, frayed insulation, or improper splices can interrupt signal transmission. Even if the pigtail receives voltage, a short or open circuit can prevent communication .

Troubleshooting Steps

- **Inspect the Connector**
- **Unplug the pigtail and check for bent, recessed, or corroded pins.**
- **Clean the pins with electrical contact cleaner and ensure they are straight and fully seated....**

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