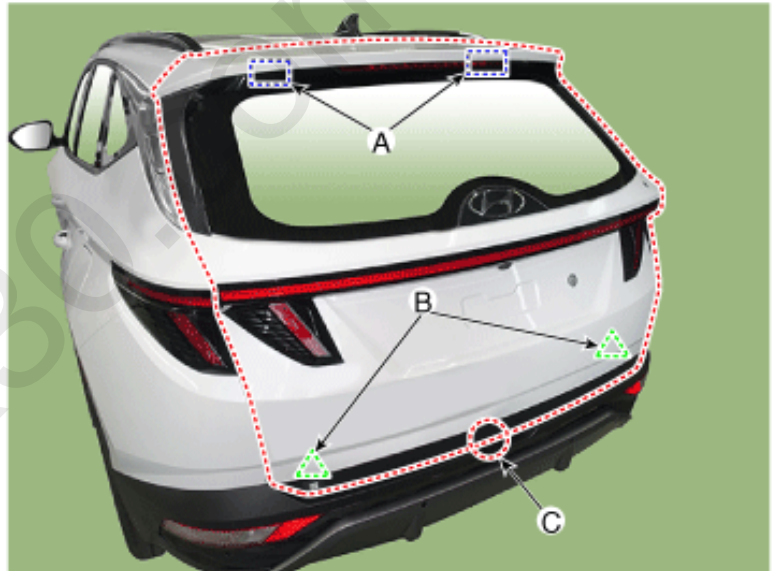
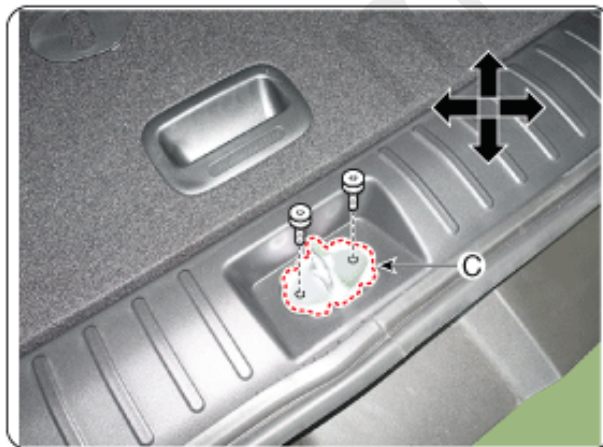
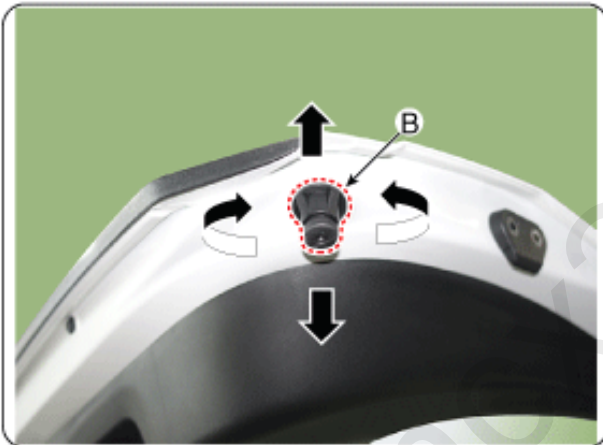
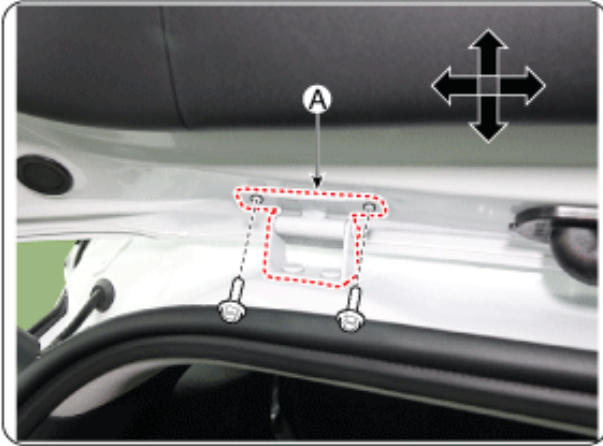
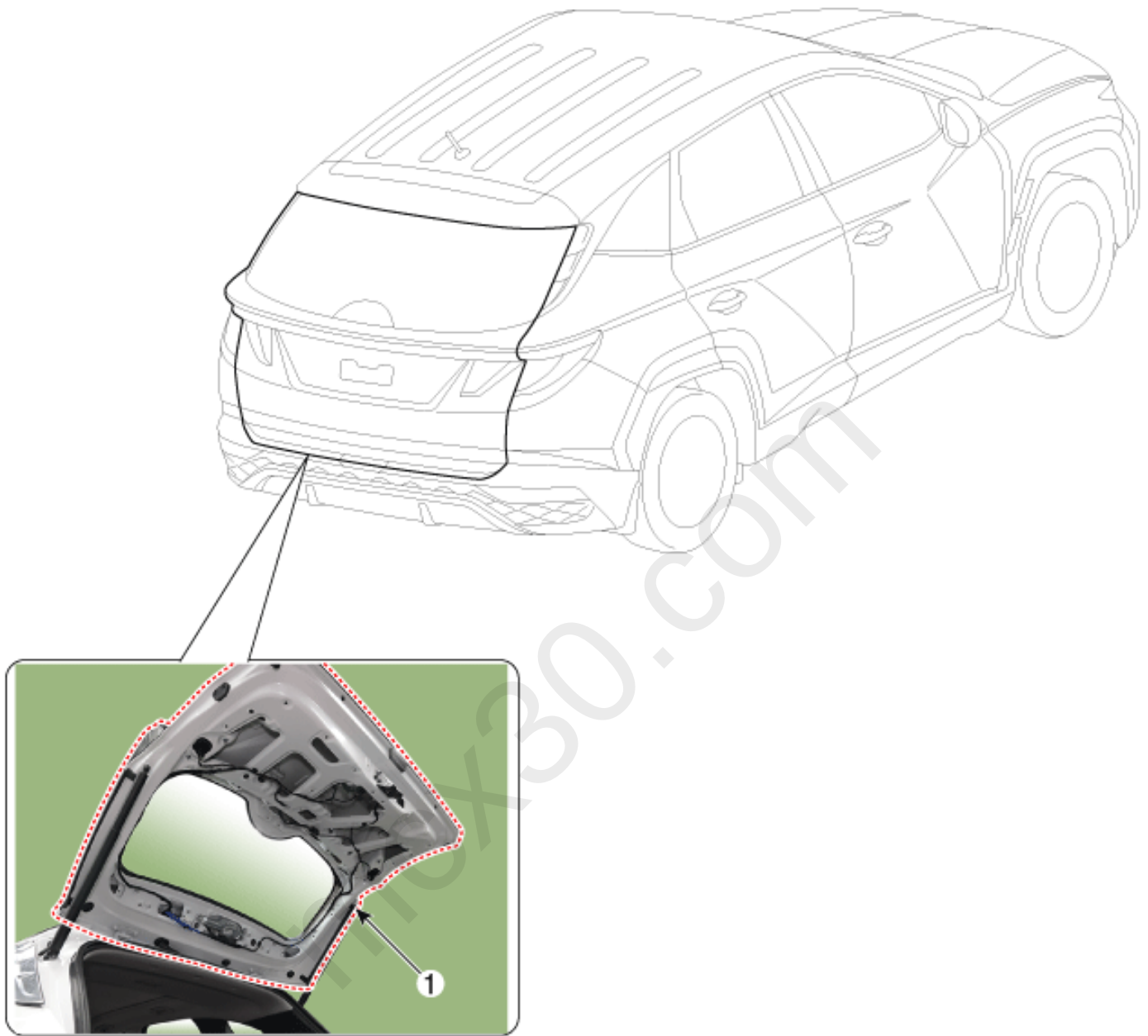


Adjustment

1. Place the car on a flat surface and check whether the body and trunk lid are well-aligned.
2. After loosening the tailgate hinge (A) mounting bolt, adjust the tailgate by moving it up and down or from side to side.
3. Adjust the gap between the tailgate and body by turning the tailgate overslam bumpers (B).
4. After loosening the tailgate striker (C) mounting bolts, adjust the striker by moving it back and forth or from side to side and then tighten the mounting bolts.
5. Make sure the tailgate opens or closes properly.



Component
Location



1 . Tailgate assembly

Replacement



- Wear gloves to protect hands from injury.

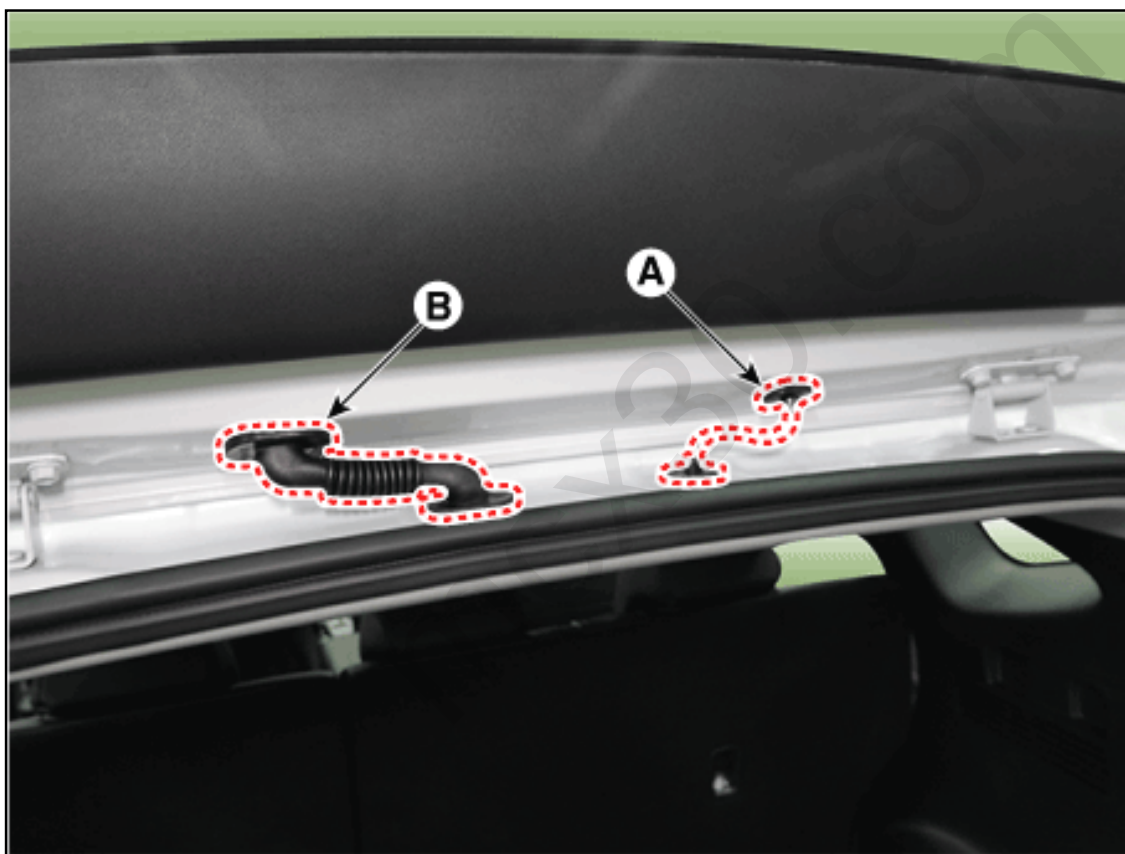


- Be careful not to damage the tailgate and body.



- When removing and installing the tailgate, an assistant is needed.

1. Disconnect the negative (-) battery terminal.
2. Remove the tailgate lower trim.
(Refer to Tail Gate - "Tail Gate Trim")
3. Disconnect the washer nozzle (A) and connector (B)..



4. Disconnect the connectors and tailgate wiring harness (A).



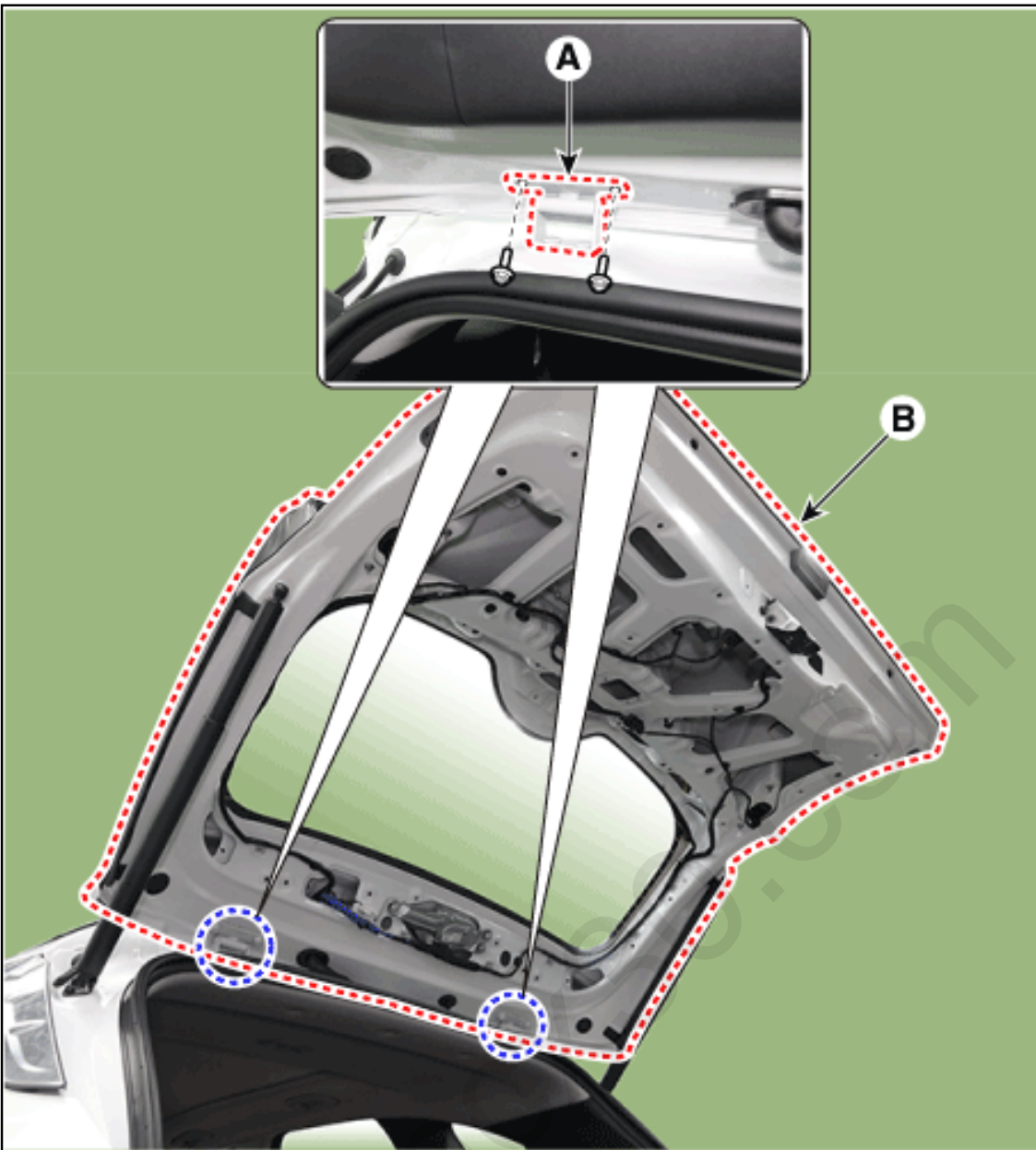
5. Using a screwdriver, lift the socket clips (A) up slightly on both ends of the tailgate lifter (B).



6. Loosen the tailgate hinge (A) mounting bolts, remove the tailgate assembly (B).

Tightening torque :

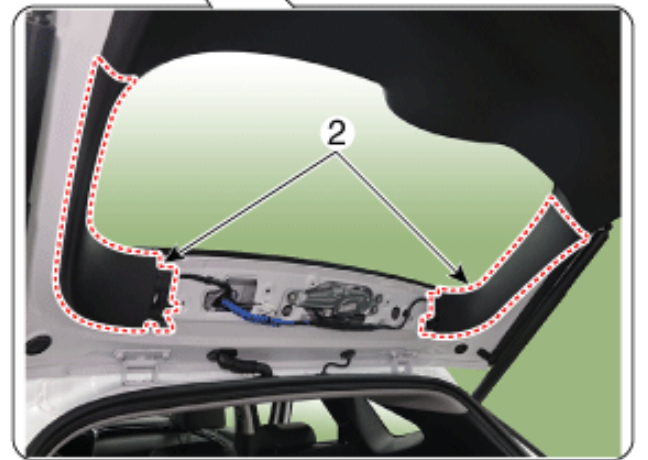
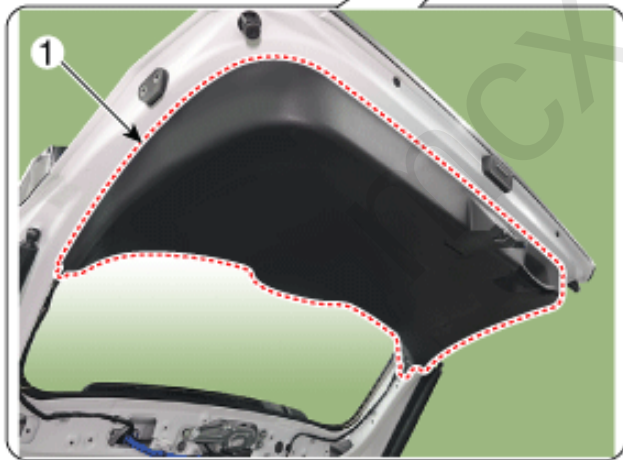
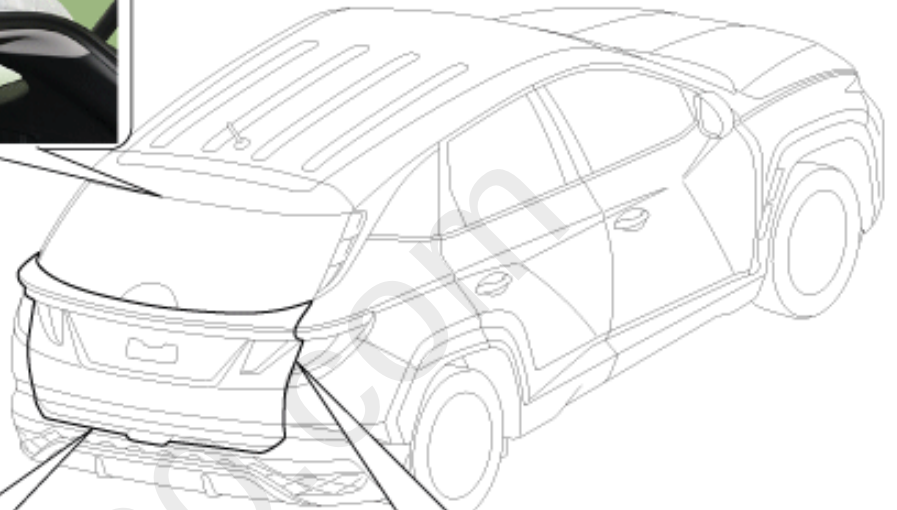
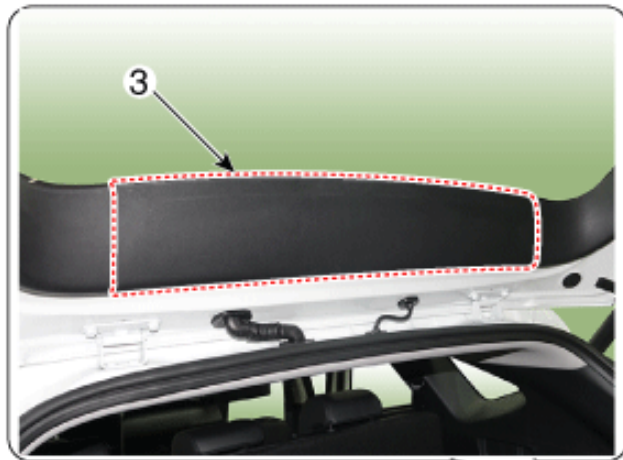
21.6 - 26.5 N.m (2.2 - 2.7 kgf.m, 15.9 - 19.5 lb-ft)



7. To install, reverse removal procedure.



- Make sure the tailgate locks / unlocks and opens / closes properly.
- Make sure the connectors are connected in properly.
- Adjust the tailgate alignment.
(Refer to Tail Gate - "Repair procedures")



- 1. Tailgate lower trim
- 2. Tailgate side trim

- 3. Tailgate upper trim

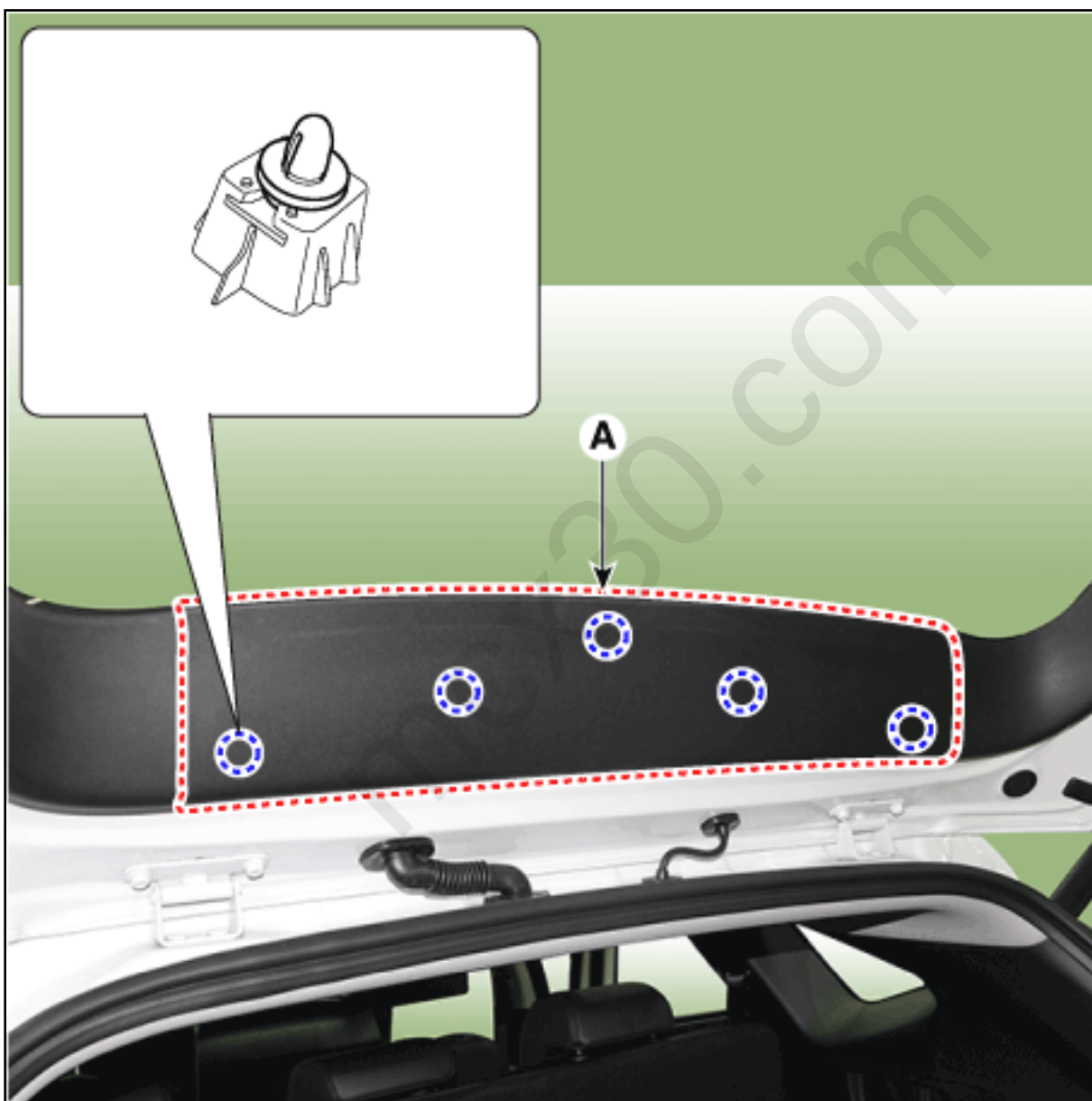
Replacement

[Tailgate upper trim]



- When removing with a flat-tip screwdriver or remover, wrap protective tape around the tools to prevent damage to components.
- Put on gloves to prevent hand injuries.

1. Using a screwdriver or remover, remove the tailgate upper trim (A).



2. To install, reverse removal procedure.



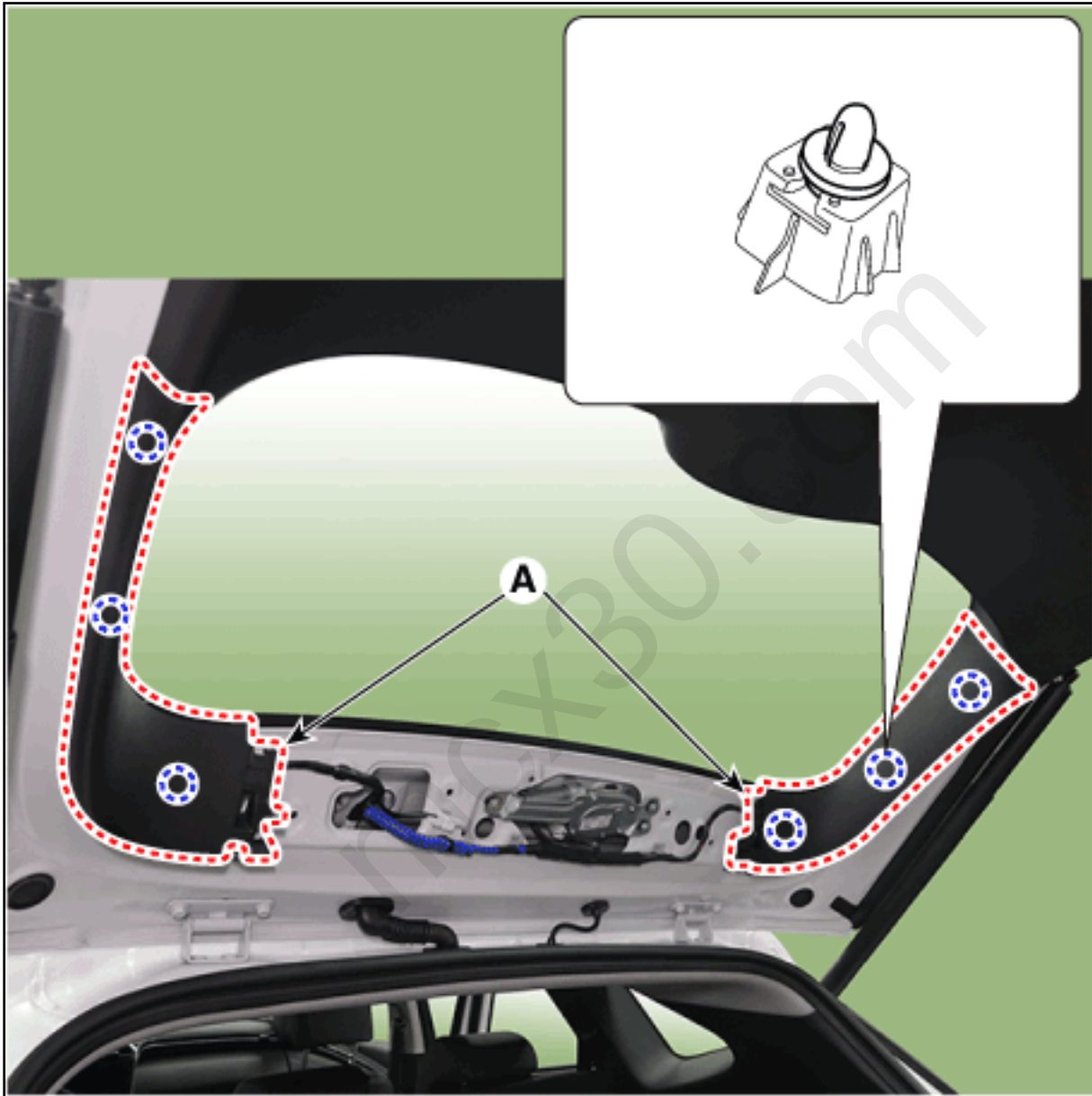
- Replace any damaged clips (or pin-type retainers).

[Tailgate side trim]



- When removing with a flat-tip screwdriver or remover, wrap protective tape around the tools to prevent damage to components.
- Put on gloves to prevent hand injuries.

1. Remove the tailgate upper trim.
2. Using a screwdriver or remover, remove the side trim (A).



3. To install, reverse removal procedure.



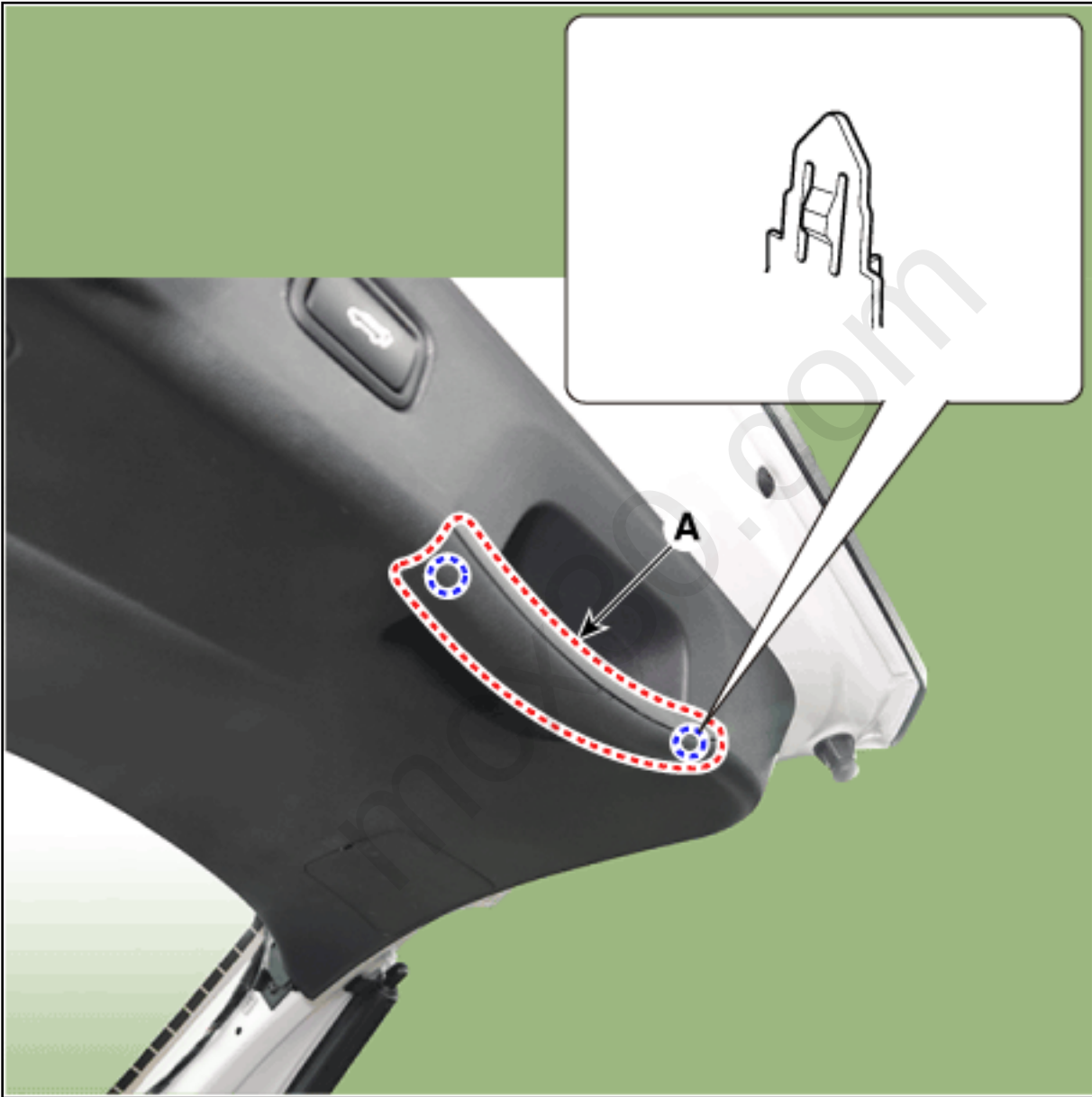
- Replace any damaged clips (or pin-type retainers).

[Tailgate lower trim]



- When removing with a flat-tip screwdriver or remover, wrap protective tape around the tools to prevent damage to components.
- Put on gloves to prevent hand injuries.

1. Disconnect the negative (-) battery terminal.
2. Remove the tailgate side trim.
3. Using a screwdriver or remover, remove the pull handle (A).



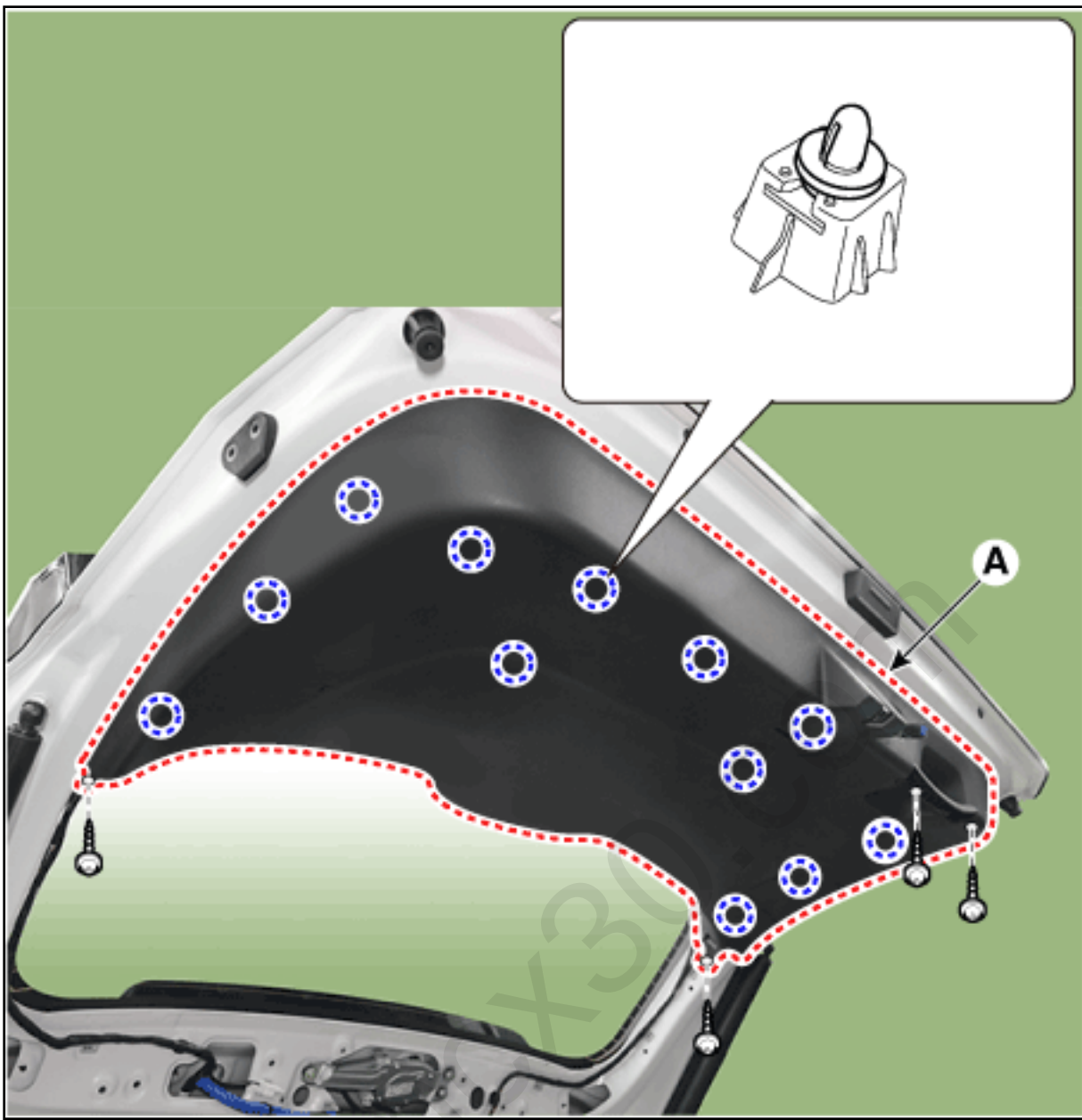
4. Using a screwdriver or remover, remove the PTG inner switch (A).



5. Disconnect the PTG inner switch connector (A).



6. After loosening the mounting screws and fastener remove the tailgate lower trim (A).

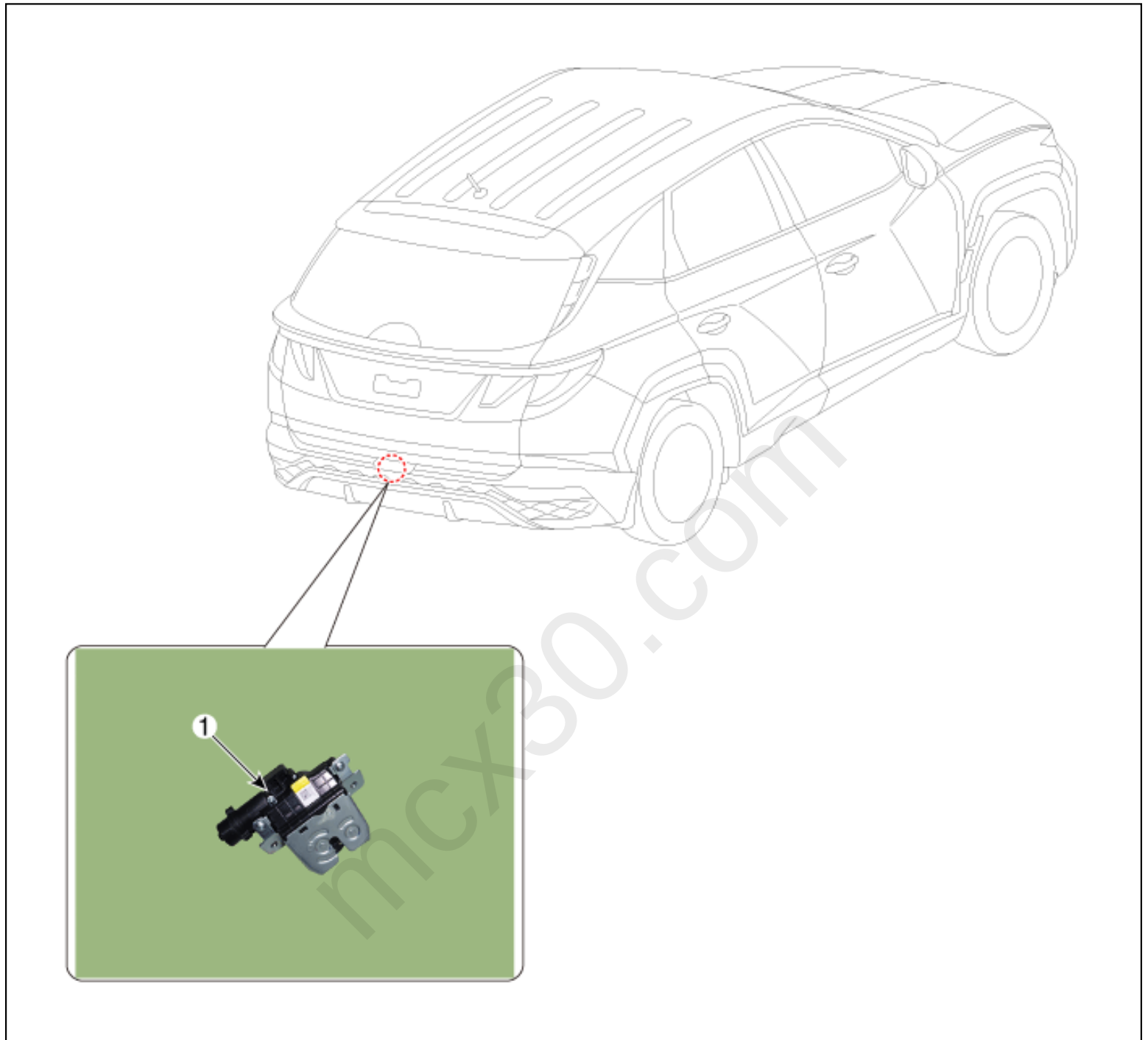


7. To install, reverse removal procedure.



- Make sure the connectors are connected in properly.
- Replace any damaged clips (or pin-type retainers).

Component
Location



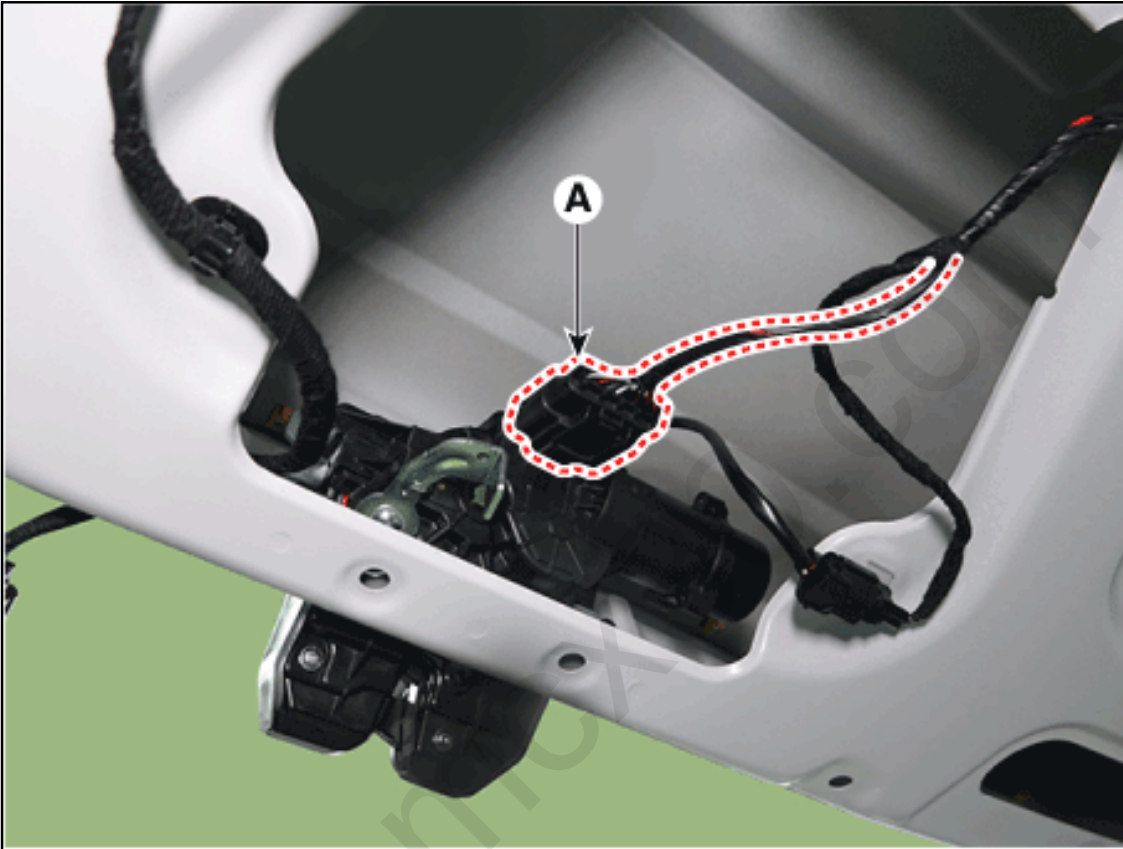
1 . Tailgate latch assembly

Replacement



- When removing with a flat-tip screwdriver or remover, wrap protective tape around the tools to prevent damage to components.
- Put on gloves to prevent hand injuries.

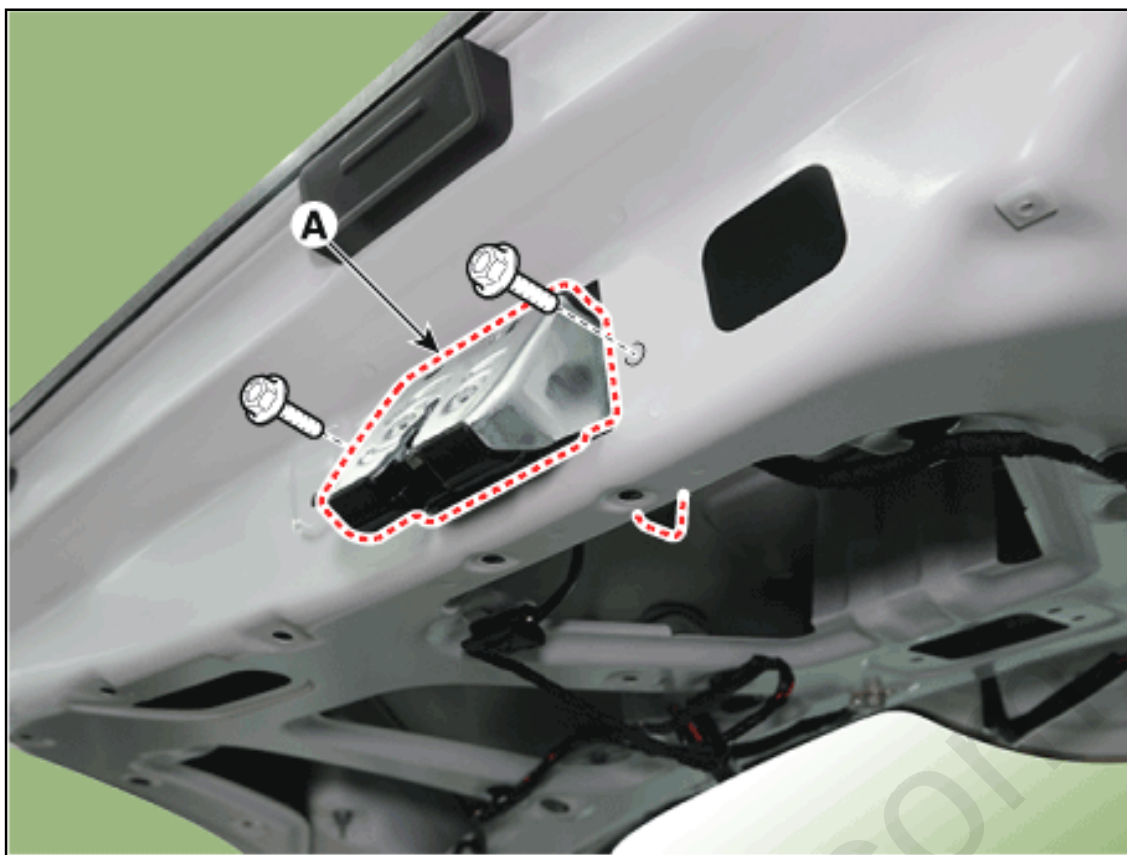
1. Disconnect the negative (-) battery terminal.
2. Remove the tailgate lower trim.
(Refer to Tail Gate - "Tail Gate Trim")
3. Disconnect the tailgate latch connector (A).



4. Loosen the mounting bolts, remove the tailgate latch assembly (A).

Tightening torque :

21.6 - 26.5 N.m (2.2 - 2.7 kgf.m, 15.9 - 19.5 lb-ft)



5. To install, reverse removal procedure.



- Make sure the tailgate locks / unlocks and opens / closes properly.
- Make sure the connectors are connected in properly.

Replacement



- Wear gloves to protect hands from injury.

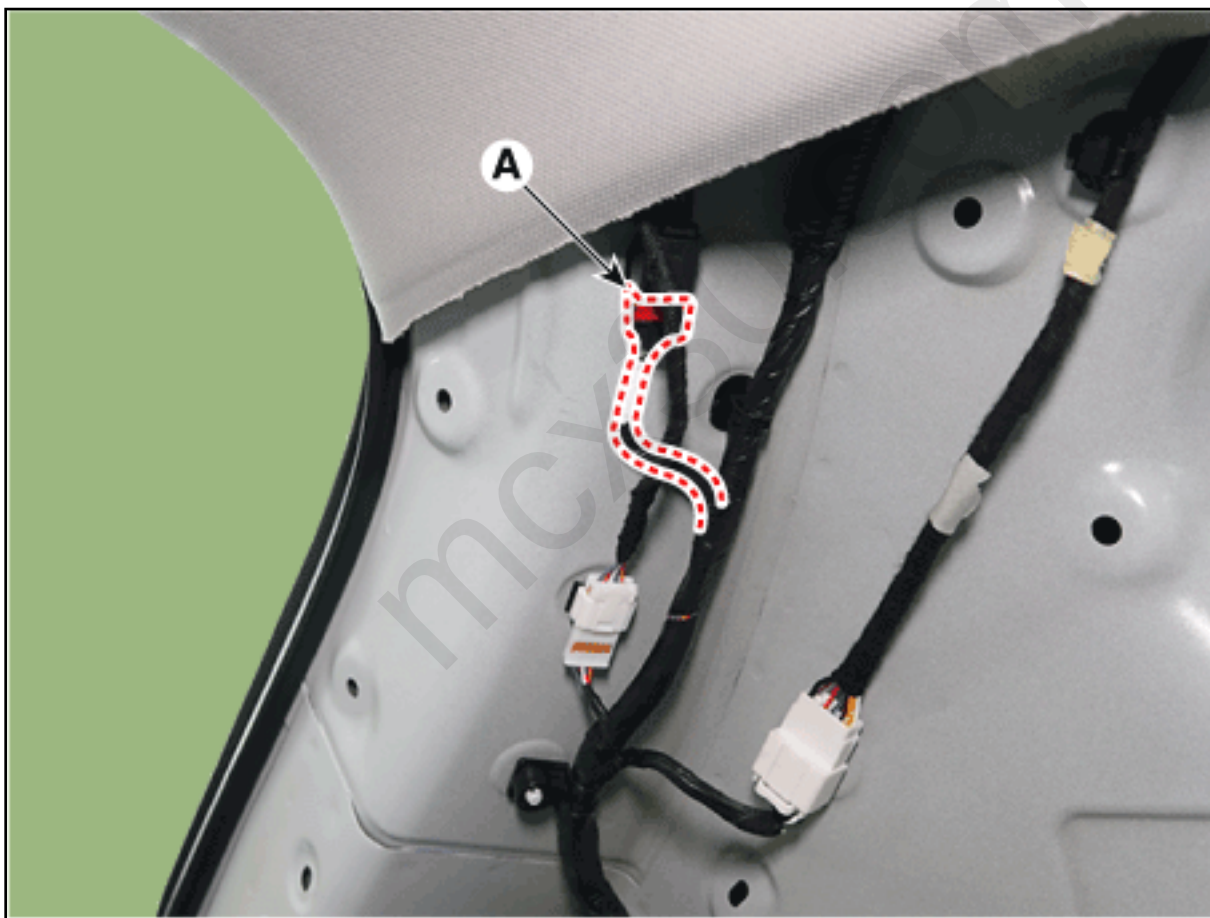


- Take care not to scratch the tailgate and body surface.

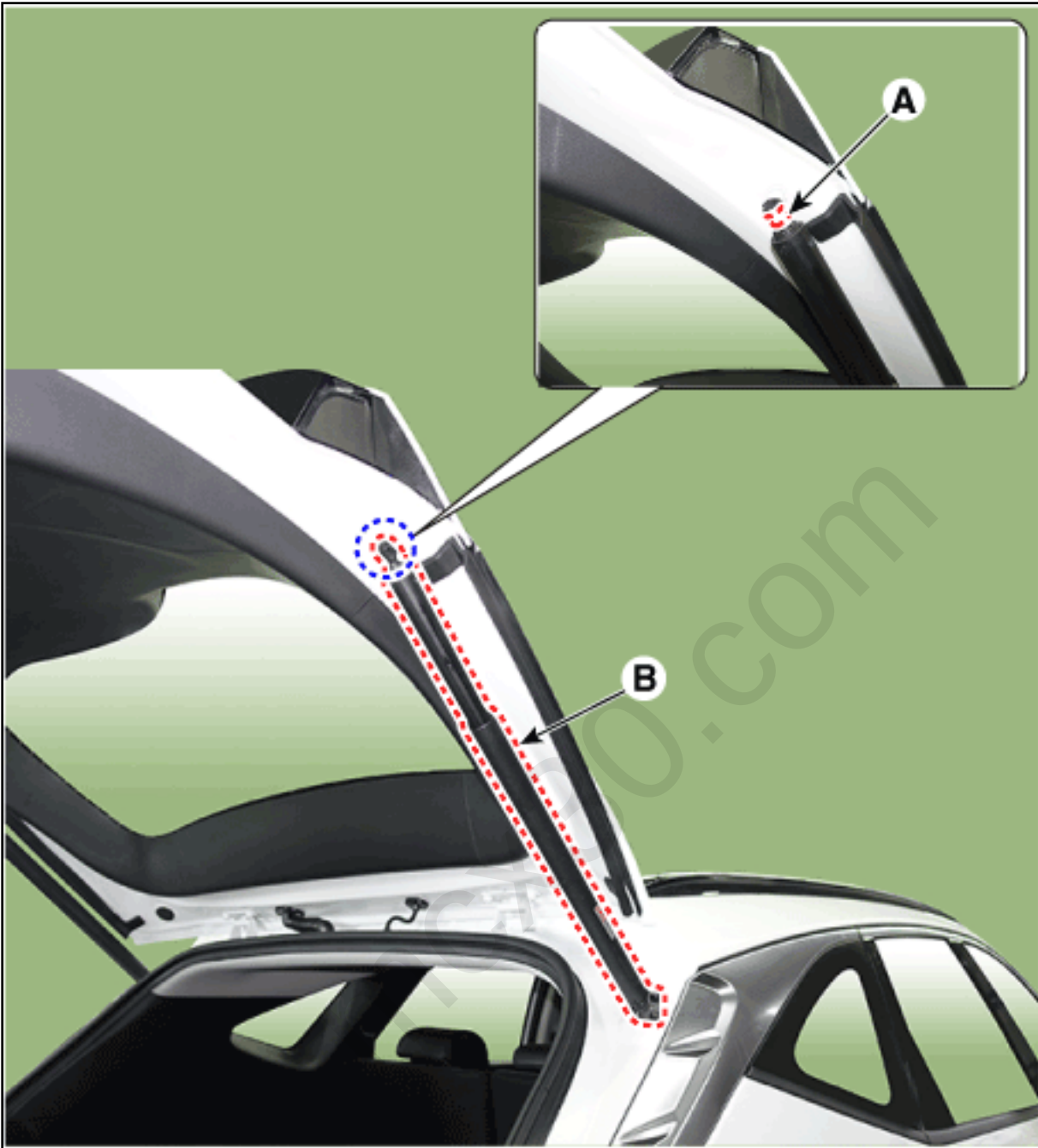


- When removing and installing the tailgate, an assistant is needed.

1. Disconnect the negative (-) battery terminal.
2. Remove the luggage side trim.
(Refer to Trunk Trim - "Luggage Side Trim")
3. Disconnect the tailgate lifter connector (A).



4. Using a screwdriver, lift up slightly the socket clips (A) of both ends on the lifter (B), and then remove the lifter from the bracket.



5. Push the socket of the lifter into the bracket for installation.



- Make sure the tailgate locks and opens properly and locks securely.
- Make sure the connectors are connected in properly.
- Make sure the tailgate locks / unlocks and opens / closes properly.

Replacement



- Do not apply sealant to the body.

1. Remove the tailgate weatherstrip (A).

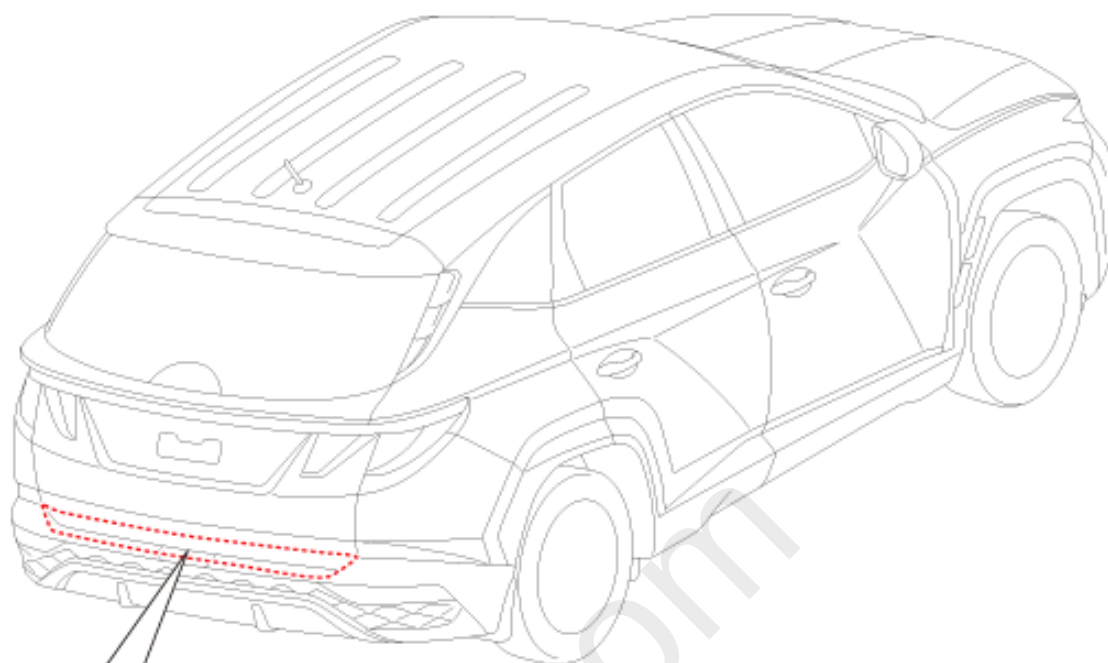


2. To install, reverse removal procedure.



- When installing the tailgate weatherstrip, check the center-marking line (B).

Component
Location



1. Tailgate back panel molding

Replacement

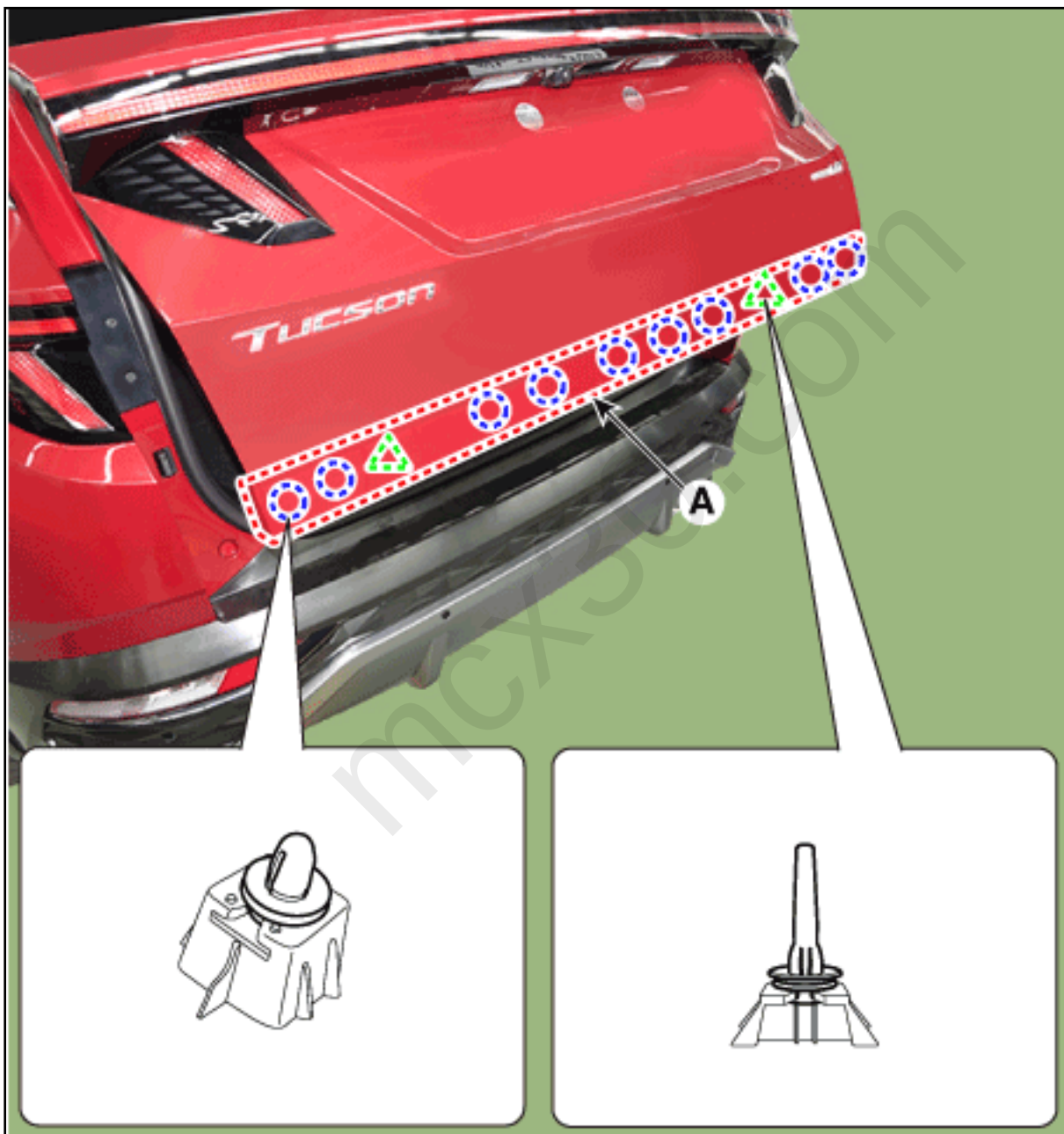


- Put on gloves to prevent hand injuries.



- Take care not to scratch the tailgate and body surface.

1. Using a screwdriver or remover, remove the tailgate back panel molding (A).



2. To install, reverse removal procedure.



- Replace any damaged clips (or pin-type retainers).

