

# Awning Disable Switch Kit

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Performing this modification is at your own risk. Please consider that it may affect your vehicle's warranty and its operation. The provider of this kit makes no warranty other than for replacement of parts of the kit or a refund if returned, either within 30 days of your order being shipped.

## Introduction

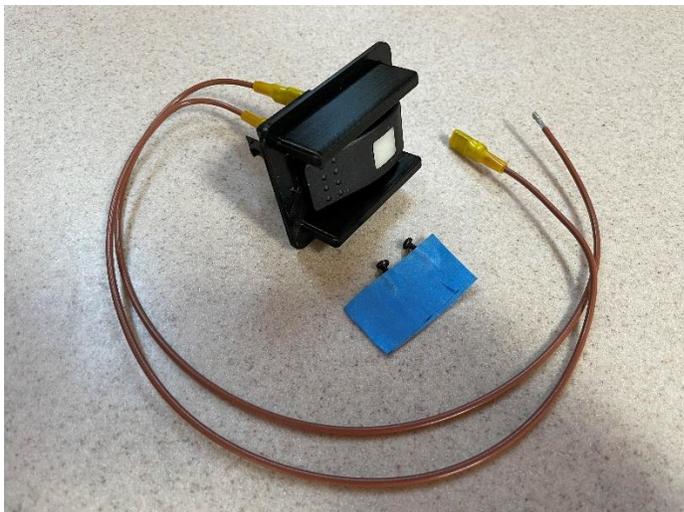
Many RVs are designed with an awning but no means of disconnecting power to the awning except by pulling a fuse in the DC panel. Disconnecting power is useful to prevent accidental movement of the awning when the vehicle is in motion or when poles to the ground are used to stabilize the awning. This kit was developed using a 2019 Winnebago 59G Travato with Carefree awning. It can also be installed in other models where the location of this switch will be within 18 inches of the coach DC fuse panel in the vehicle.

## Tools Needed

- 1) Phillips screwdriver
- 2) Flat screwdriver
- 3) Handheld sabre or jig saw and fine blade
- 4) Drill and bit to provide hole to start the saw cut
- 5) Masking or painters tape

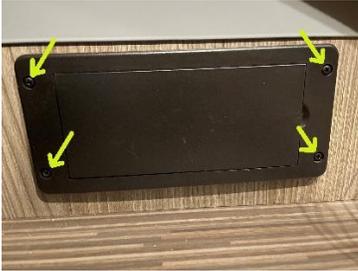
## Kit Contents

- 1) Switch assembly (switch, switch plate, wires)
- 2) (2) #4 black wood screws
- 3) Cutting template (last page of instructions)



## Installation

- 1) Disable power to the coach. On a Travato, this is done with the Battery Switch.
- 2) Remove the screws that hold the DC fuse panel and pull it out as far as you are able.



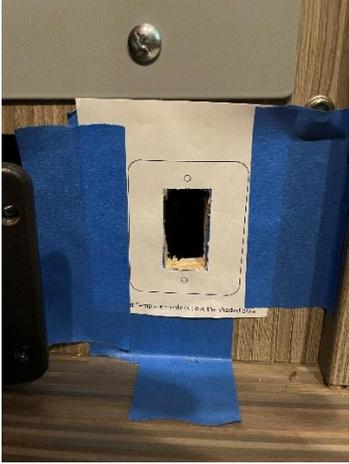
- 3) Identify the location you want to put the switch at, then **use the fuse panel hole to verify that there is nothing behind this location that your drill or saw could damage. Also make sure there is nothing but the plywood wall in this location** (for example, make sure there are no panel stiffeners behind the plywood).
- 4) Place tape in the area to be installed. This will help to keep the cut edges from tearing up the plywood panel veneer.



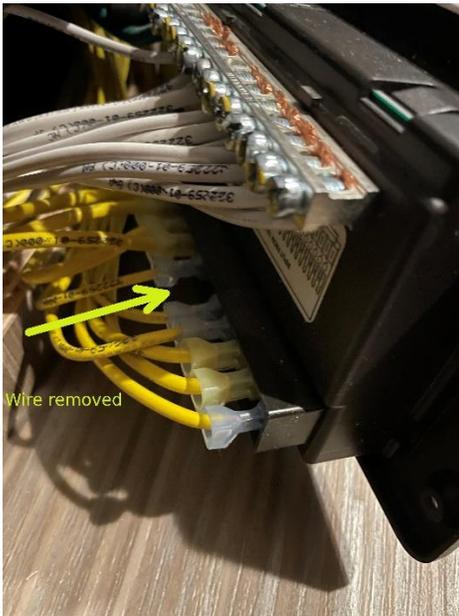
- 5) Put template at desired location and tape it down.



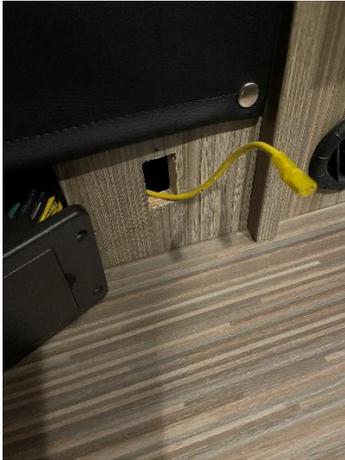
- 6) Drill a hole inside the cutting area on the template using a bit slightly larger than the saw blade. This will provide a place to start the saw cut.
- 7) Using the saw, carefully cut out the cutting area shown on the template.



- 8) Remove template and tape and clean up the edges of the hole as desired. Verify that the switch assembly will fit into the hole and trim out if necessary to allow the switch fit.
- 9) Disconnect the wire on the DC fuse panel that goes to the awning fuse. On most Travatos, this is fuse #6, but be sure to verify this on your vehicle.



10) Pull the wire you disconnected out through the hole you cut.

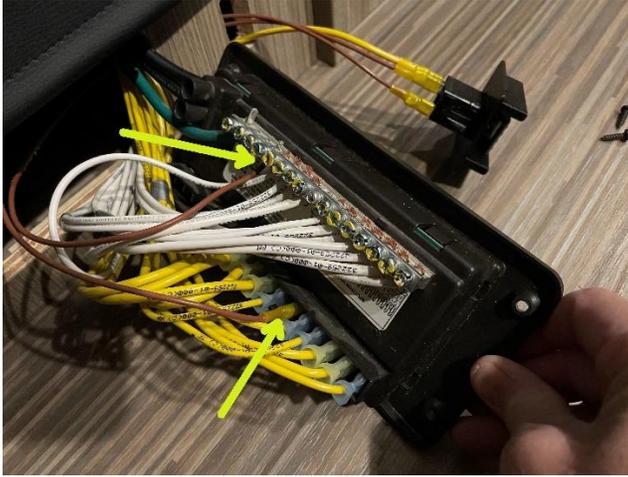


11) Connect this wire to the tab on the switch assembly that has no wire connected to it.

12) Route the two wires from the switch assembly in through the hole you cut.



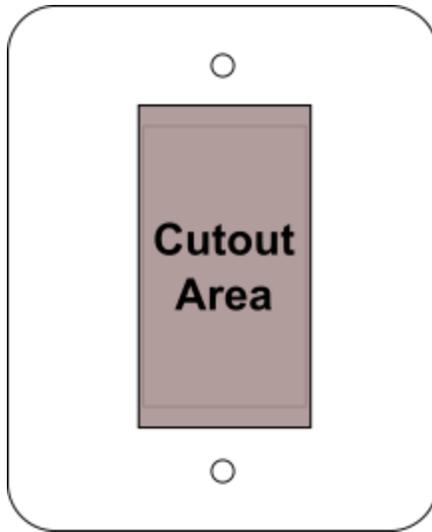
- 13) Connect the wire that has a male spade connector to the awning fuse connector on the DC fuse panel. This is the same location where you removed the factory wire in step 9.
- 14) Connect the bare-ended switch assembly ground wire to one of the unused locations on the DC fuse panel ground bus bar.



- 15) This is a good point to verify that the switch operates correctly. Enable DC power to the coach. Turn on the switch you just installed and verify that its lamp lights up. Verify that you can extend and retract the awning. Turn off the switch you installed, verify that its lamp goes off. Verify that you cannot extend or retract the awning. Disable DC power to the coach and proceed.
- 16) Push the switch assembly into the hole you cut. Screw it with the two small screws provided in the kit.
- 17) Push the DC fuse panel back into place and secure it with its mounting screws.



- 18) Verify the correct operation of the switch again, as done in step 15.
- 19) Enjoy the peace of mind knowing you have better control of your awning.



Cutout Template – only cut out the shaded area  
When you print this, please make sure it has printed  
to the correct size.  
The outer box should measure 2.25 inch by 2.75 inch.