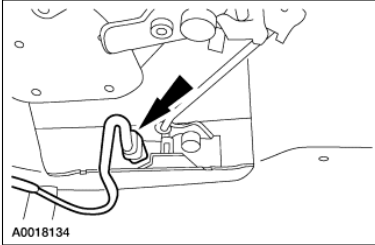
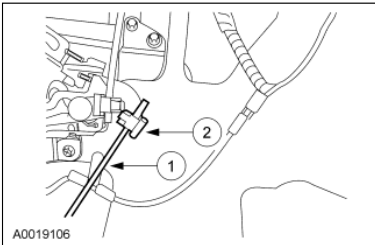


Liftgate Latch**Removal and Installation**

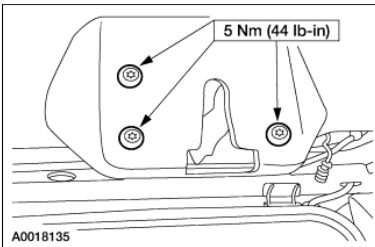
1. Remove the liftgate trim panel.
2. Disconnect the liftgate ajar switch electrical connector.



3. Disconnect the liftgate latch actuating rod.
 1. Open the clip.
 2. Disconnect the actuating rod.



4. Remove and discard the liftgate latch bolts.



5. Remove the liftgate latch.
6. **NOTE:** Make sure the liftgate latch release rod is not preloading the latch. It should be clipped in a relaxed state with no slack.

NOTE: Position the liftgate latch release rod by pushing outboard to remove the slack.

To install, reverse the removal procedure.