

GENERIC · BODY

B0132

OBD-II DIAGNOSTIC TROUBLE CODE (DTC)

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A/V Sensor Washer Fluid D Control Circuit

B0132 indicates that the body control module (BCM) has detected a fault in the control circuit for the washer fluid level sensor, designated as sensor D. The BCM monitors the circuit for expected voltage or resistance and sets this code when the signal is out of range, indicating an open, short, or component failure.

SYSTEM	CODE TYPE	SEVERITY	FIX DIFFICULTY	AREA
Body	Generic (all makes)	Low	Intermediate	Airbags, seats, doors, lights and comfort systems

Symptoms you may notice

- Washer fluid low warning light stays illuminated even when the reservoir is full
- Washer fluid low warning light never illuminates, even when the reservoir is empty
- No other noticeable symptoms besides the warning light
- Intermittent warning light that flickers or comes on over bumps
- Other body control module functions (like wipers or lights) may be unaffected
- Driver information center may display a service message for the washer system

Common causes, most likely first

- Faulty washer fluid level sensor D
- Damaged or disconnected wiring harness at the sensor connector
- Corroded or loose electrical connector pins
- Open or short circuit in the control circuit between the BCM and sensor
- Failed body control module (BCM) driver circuit
- Washer fluid reservoir contaminated or sensor stuck due to debris

How to diagnose and fix it

- Verify the washer fluid level is correct and the sensor is properly seated in the reservoir
- Inspect the sensor connector and wiring for visible damage, corrosion, or looseness
- Disconnect the sensor and check for reference voltage and ground at the harness connector
- Test the sensor resistance or signal output with a multimeter and compare to specifications
- Check circuit continuity from the sensor connector to the BCM to rule out open or short circuits
- If the circuit tests good, substitute a known-good sensor to see if the code clears
- If the sensor and wiring are confirmed good, diagnose the BCM or have it reprogrammed/replaced



Don't overlook the washer fluid sensor circuit

- A common mistake is replacing the BCM when the actual fault is a chafed wire behind the inner fender liner or a corroded connector pin.
- The washer fluid level sensor often shares a ground with other sensors; a bad ground can set multiple codes including B0132.
- Aftermarket or incorrect washer fluid can leave a conductive film on the sensor, causing false readings that trigger this code.
- Some vehicles use a smart sensor with a small control module; a failed sensor can draw excessive current and damage the BCM driver.
- The code may set intermittently only when the washer fluid is low, so testing with a full reservoir can mask the problem.

Can I keep driving with B0132?

This fault does not affect vehicle safety or drivability, so you can continue driving. However, you may not be warned when washer fluid is low, which could reduce visibility in poor conditions, so check the fluid level manually until repaired.

Tools that help

- OBD-II scan tool
- Digital multimeter
- Test light
- Wire probe set
- Service information for wiring diagrams and sensor specifications

Reading B0132

- B** Body: airbags, seats, doors, lights and comfort systems.
- 0** Generic (SAE) code: it means the same thing on every OBD-II vehicle.
- 1** Airbags, seats, doors, lights and comfort systems.
- 32** The exact fault within that area.

Often seen with

B0131 A/V Sensor Washer Fluid C Control Circuit · **B0133** A/V Sensor Washer Fluid E Control Circuit · **B0134** A/V Sensor Washer Fluid F Control Circuit · **U0100** Lost Communication With ECM/PCM A



See it working

Watch the animated explainer [How a Helicopter Flies: Rotor and Tail in X-Ray](#) on Auto Veteran to see the parts involved moving.

Full guide, related articles and animations: <https://www.autoveteran.tech/dtc-codes/b0132/>

