

ABS Light comes on, ABS pump does not turn off

This is another issue widely reported by J30 owners. In the case of my car, the ABS light came on one morning and would not turn off. I then noticed that I could hear a buzzing sound coming from the engine compartment after the car was turned off.

This buzzing sound was the ABS pump running. The culprits here are the ABS relays. They can get stuck in the “on” position. If you hear your ABS pump running with the car turned off, you need to remove the ABS relays. If you don’t, you’ll at least drain the battery, at worst, burn up the ABS pump. You can drive your car without the ABS relays until you get the relay replacements from your Infiniti dealer. All you lose by removing the relays is the ABS functionality. Your brakes *should still* work. ☺

There are two ABS relays so I decided to replace them both. I think they cost about \$20 each. Here are some pictures of what they look like and where they’re located in the engine compartment.

NOTE: In my car, the relay with the plastic cross on top was especially hard to get out. I had to use a pair of pliers to get it out. Just be patient - they just plug in there like any other relay. Just keep working it until it comes out.

