

What test light do I need to test the Tow-Pro Elite?

Question:

Why is it best to use a 21w bulb to test a Tow-Pro™ Elite when I have always used a 55w bulb, and why do some test fine and others not?

Answer:

This answer applies to Tow-Pro™ Elite products with a serial number of #16060749 (June 2016) or later. The Tow-Pro™ Elite will check for shorts on the trailer wiring. A cold 55W bulb has an initial “inrush” current as it first warms up that exceeds the trip point, and the Tow-Pro™ Elite will see this as an intermittent wiring short. While a hot 55W bulb is not likely to reach this trip point, it is best to use a 21W bulb. Products prior to this date have a slightly higher trip point.

