

If the parking brake cannot be released

In the event that the battery is discharged or switch operation does not release the parking brake, the parking brake can be released manually using the procedure below. This procedure should be performed only if necessary, such as in an emergency.

If the switch cannot be operated even when the battery is normal, the parking brake system may be malfunctioning. Have the vehicle inspected by your Lexus dealer immediately.

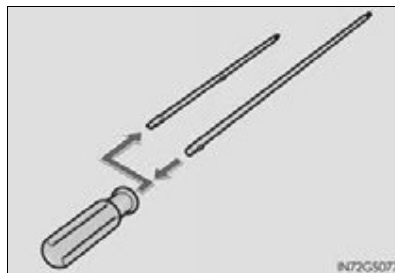
Before releasing the parking brake manually

- Shift the shift lever to P.
- Turn the engine switch off.
- Check that the parking brake indicator is off.
- Chock the tires.

Releasing the parking brake manually

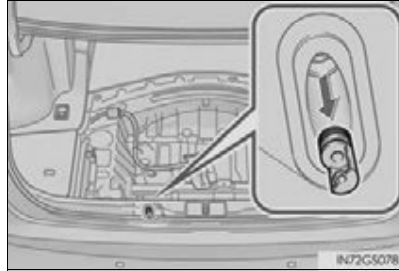
- 1 Take out the parking brake release tool and the screwdriver from the trunk. (→P. 723)

Fit the parking brake release tool into the screwdriver handle.



- 2 Take out the spare tire. (→P. 722)

- 3 Remove the plug.



- 4 Insert the tool and press it down firmly while turning it counter-clockwise until it stops.



Manual operation of the parking brake

The parking brake cannot be set manually.

CAUTION

When releasing the parking brake manually

- Shift the shift lever to P, turn the engine switch off and chock the tires. Failure to do so may cause the vehicle to move, resulting in an accident.
- Turn the engine switch off and check that the parking brake indicator is off. Failure to do so may cause the system to operate and turn the inserted parking brake release tool, resulting in an injury.