# MGB SOFT TOP FITTING INSTRUCTIONS

### **PRECAUTION**

Before fitting the new soft top, please check carefully that the top is the correct one for your car. This can be best achieved by placing the new top over the frame to determine that it will fit correctly before any marks are made in it. It is important to realise that we cannot exchange soft tops once any marks have been made in them.

# **REMOVING YOUR EXISTING SOFT TOP**

- 1. Unclip all fixing points and fold soft top back.
- 2. Remove the rubber seal from the header rail and drill out rivets.

### FITTING THE NEW SOFT TOP

For best results it is important that your soft top is fitted in a warm garage. The new top will be drum tight and will be difficult to fit in cold conditions. It is extremely important that you follow our instructions correctly.

## **IMPORTANT!**

During the fitting always ensure that the rear of the top does not become trapped by the frame when you are working on the front header rail. We have known cases where the rear quarters have become unwittingly trapped and torn by the frame.

- 1. Remove the rear-retaining bar from the old soft top and fit to the new one.
- 2. Erect the frame and clip the soft top into position at the rear.
- 3. With the frame unclamped from the front windscreen and slightly folded back you will be able to position the soft top without any tension on the fabric. To remove your old top you will have removed two self-tapping screws with cup washers from either side of the header rail next to the black plastic blocks. You should now re-fit these through the tabs on the soft top, being careful to locate the soft top correctly around the plastic blocks.
- 4. You should now fold the front of the soft top around the header rail and fix the alloy-retaining channel using the first rivet position only. Be careful not to have the gutter too far forward when folding the material around the header rail. Do this on both sides.
- 5. The soft top should now be correctly fixed at both corners of the header rail. You can now close the frame and leave the excess material at the front over the windscreen.
- 6. You can now apply an impact adhesive to the front of the top fabric and the header rail, and pull the fabric taught over the frame.
- 7. It now only remains to refit the remaining rivets to the alloy channel and install the rubber seal. Excess material should be trimmed off with a sharp craft knife.
- 8. Where applicable to frame type, there is a flap of material inside the soft top, which is also glued around the rear frame bow. Packaway type frames will not be glued here.
- 9. There are two press-studs supplied with the top. It is not possible for us to install these at the factory. Their final position can only be determined once the soft top is fitted. They are located at the top inside windscreen pillar. Apply tension to the side window valance on the soft top and mark off their position. If you have a local upholstery/ trim shop, then we advise that you ask if they have the special tool to fit them with. Failing this they can be fitted using a crosshead screwdriver to hammer over the centre rivet and splay it apart.

These instructions are given as a guide only. Please observe the removal of the old top closely as this will assist in the fitting of the new top.

## **FOLDING AND CARING FOR YOUR NEW TOP**

It is very important that you fold your soft top correctly at all times. Always unclip the rear of the top and pull clear of the frame when folding. The fabric is then folded back over the top of the frame and protected by your soft top cover. Failure to do this will result in the fabric being torn by the frame with likely damage to the plastic rear windows. Never fold or touch the windows when there is any frost.

# 14 DAY MONEY BACK GUARANTEE (Mail order customers only)

If this top is returned within 14 days of receipt unused and in its original packaging, then the purchase price of the top will be refunded. Carriage is not refundable. Please enclose the original invoice with all returns.

#### **12 MONTH GUARANTEE.**

This soft top is guaranteed against faulty workmanship for 12 months from date of purchase. If during this time the top should fail we will undertake to repair or replace the defect according to our judgement. The soft top will have to be returned to us for any warranty claim, postage paid. Please also enclose a copy of your original invoice. We do not cover claims for wear and tear, mis-use, fading of colour, malicious damage, or frost damage. Please be aware that soft tops are very easily damaged unintentionally, usually when folding, and exercise great care at all times. Tears and cracks in the rear windows do not normally appear on their own accord. This guarantee does not effect your statuary rights.