

Volkswagen Golf Mk3 Cabriolet Soft Top Fitting Instructions

These instructions are given as a guide only. Please observe the removal of the old soft top as this will assist in the fitting of the new soft top. Taking pictures of the removal process can help with the fitting of the new top.

TOOLS REQUIRED

- 1) T10 Torx Screws.
- 2) T15 Torx Screws.
- 3) Screwdriver Set.
- 4) Socket Set.
- 5) Electric Staple Gun.

REMOVAL OF EXISTING HOOD

- 1) Remove the torx screws across the front header rail and take the metal trim off (Picture 1).
- 2) Remove seals above the driver and passenger doors and remove the retaining channel. Next, release the soft top from the frame (Picture 2).
- 3) Remove the 'B' Post rubber and remove the retaining channel. Next, remove the hood and un-hook the wire (Picture 3).
- 4) Remove the bolts from the rear retaining bar. These are hidden behind the carpet (Picture 4).
- 5) Remove the webbing from the window frame by pushing through and removing the plastic bar. Release the supporting brackets on the bottom of the window frame (Pictures 5 and 6).
- 6) Work the rear retaining bar up and out of the car and drill out the rivets on either side of the soft top. Remove the plastic plug on either side of the soft top, where it attaches to the body at the 'B' post.
- 7) Slide the soft top out of the bar and put on a bench for later use.

FITTING OF THE NEW HOOD

- 1) Slide the new soft top into the channel. Some silicone spray on the soft top and channel will help with this. Two people may be required.
- 2) Centralise the soft top and rivet it in.
- 3) Refit the plastic plugs.
- 4) Refit the rear bar to the car.
- 5) Feed the wire into the new hood and attach.
- 6) Fold the frame back and glue at the 'B' post. Next, re-attach the retaining channel.
- 7) Fit the soft top over the pocket at the front and refit the retaining channel.
- 8) Finally, close the soft top. It will initially be very tight to close and may require someone outside of the car to pull the soft top forward.

FITTING OF WINDOW

- 1) You should have the Window in two parts; the metal frame and the glass with the rubber seal- lay this to one side for the moment.
- 2) Refit the frame to the webbing and hinged supports inside the car.
- 3) Cut out the material inside the Window leaving enough to turn back and staple to the frame.
- 4) Once the frame is stapled in, trim off any excess material and push the glass back into the frame.
Your Hood fitting is now complete, refit all rubber seals and leave the Hood up for 7 days to allow it to stretch and settle.

Pictures

Picture 1



Picture 2



Picture 3



Picture 4



Picture 5



Picture 6

