## **ATTENTION: IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS**

Your new pre-formed, molded carpet is made of heavy weight 16 oz. Carpet or 80/20 loop combined with 40 oz. Padding. This combination makes for a beautiful, long-wearing carpet. This weight coupled with a special backing gives your new carpet our "mold memory". Once it's installed, it continues to shape itself to the contours of your floor. Remember, when you take it out of the carton, the weight of the carpet and padding will tend to cause it to "flatten out". Once it's on the floor of the vehicle, it returns to shape.

PLEASE NOTE: Some Late Model vehicles are equipped with a catalytic converter shield on the floor. **DO NOT REMOVE THIS SHIELD, INSTALL CARPET OVER IT**.

You'll need a good pair of scissors to finish off your installation, we purposely trim our carpet kits so as to allow you a margin of error.

THANK YOU AND ENJOY YOUR NEW CARPET!!!

## PASSENGER CAR AND PICK-UP TRUCK: FRONT CARPET – GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

## PLEASE READ ENTIRE INSTRUCTION SHEET BEFORE STARTING INSTALLATION

EXAMINE BEFORE INSTALLING.

**<u>DO NOT CUT</u>** ANY PARTS UNTIL THE CARPET IS CHECKED AGAINST THE ORIGINAL. IF CARPET MUST BE RETURNED, REPACK AS ORIGINALLY FOLDED – IMPROPERLY PACKED CARPETS. OR CARPETS THAT HAVE BEEN ALTERED WILL NOT BE CREDITED.

**LOOP WEAVE** - USE EXTREME CARE WHEN PLACING SCREWS THROUGH CARPET, AS THE LOOP TENDS TO GRIP THE SCREW AND WILL PULL OUT IN A LINE OF CONTINUOUS TUFTS.

NOTE: IF YOUR CAR IS A GENERAL MOTORS FROM 1958 TO 1964, YOU WILL FIND THAT THE GAS PEDAL CAN BE TAKEN OFF BY LIFTING PEDAL OFF SIDEWAYS. THIS WILL PERMIT EASIER INSTALLATION OF THE FRONT CARPET. WHEN REPLACING THE PEDAL, SIMPLY FORCE IT BACK ON WITH YOUR HANDS OR FOOT.

<u>SEAT REMOVAL</u>- IN MANY LATER VEHICLES IT MAY BE ADVISABLE AND IN SOME INSTANCES NECESSARY, TO REMOVE THE FRONT SEAT ASSEMBLY TO INSTALL YOUR REPLACEMENT CARPET.

TO DO THIS, THE SEAT MUST BE UNBOLTED FROM THE CAR FLOOR. THIS IS DONE FROM <u>INSIDE THE CAR</u> AND ACCOMPLISHED BY REMOVING THE BOLTS THAT ARE LOCATED IN THE SEAT TRACKS.

1. SOME VEHICLES HAVE, AS ORIGINAL EQUIPMENT, A ONE PIECE CARPET COVERING FRONT AND REAR OF THE VEHICLE FLOOR. TO SIMPLIFY HANDLING, POSITIONING AND INSTALLATION, WE OFTEN SUPPLY TWO SEPARATE UNITS, ONE FOR THE FRONT, THE OTHER FOR THE REAR AND THEY WILL NEATLY OVERLAP IN ANY EXPOSED AREA.

SEAT BELTS – IN SOME VEHICLES, SEAT BELT MOUNTING WILL NOT AFFECT CARPET INSTALLATION. IN OTHER VEHICLES, SEAT BELT FLOOR BRACKETS MAY HAVE TO BE REMOVED FOR TOTAL ACCESS FOR REMOVING OLD CARPETS AND INSTALLING NEW. SOMETIMES THESE ARE HELD WITH STANDARD BOLTS OR NUTS, SOMETIMES THEY ARE HELD WIT A BOLT THAT HAS A STAR SHAPPED, RECESSED OPENING. THESE CAN SOMETIMES BE GRASPED AND TURNED BY VISE-GRIP PLIERS. OTHERWISE, MOST AUTO SUPPLY STORES HAVE THE STAR BITS AVAILABLE FOR SALE FOR USE WITH STANDARD SOCKETS SETS. THEY ARE CALLED TORX OR STAR BITS.

- 2. REMOVE SCREWS FROM SILL PLACE (METAL MOLDING UNDER EACH SIDE OF DOOR). MOST CARS WILL REQUIRE A PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER TO UNSCREW. USUALLY FOUR OR FIVE SCREWS MUST BE REMOVED.
- 3. REMOVE ACCELERATOR PEDAL, IF NECESSARY.
- 4. TAKE NEW CARPET FROM BOX. ROLL OPEN AND LAY FLAT TO REMOVE ANY WRINKLES THAT MAY HAVE FORMED WHILE THE CARPET WAS IN THE BOX. ALLOWING AN HOUR OR TWO IS ADVISED.
- 5. REMOVE OLD CARPET. NOTE: ON SOME LATER CARS AN ADDITIONAL INSULATION FLOOR PADDING IS USED. DO NOT REMOVE THIS PADDING.
- 6. PLACE YOUR NEW CARPET OVER THE OLD TO DETERMINE IF IT IS ALMOST AN EXACT MATCH IN SIZE AND SHAPE.
- 7. SWEEP OR VACUUM FLOOR THOROUGHLY BEFORE INTALLING CARPET.
- 8. PUT CARPET IN CAR, MAKING SURE THAT YOU HAVE POSITIONED THE CARPET PROPERLY. THE HEEL PROTECTOR PAD SHOULD ALWAYS BE ON THE LEFT HAND DRIVER'S SIDE.

YOU HAVE PURCHASED A CARPET THAT MAY REQUIRE HOLES FOR A FLOOR SHIFT, EMERGENCY BRAKE OR THE 4-WHEEL DRIVE TRANSFER CASE. THIS CARPET HAS NOT HAD THE HOLES CUT IN ORDER TO ALLOW YOU LEEWAY IN POSITIONING THE CARPET IN YOUR VEHICLE. TO INSTALL YOUR CARPET FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONAL STEPS.

<u>CAUTION</u>: CARPETS WITH HOLES CUT IN THE WRONG PLACE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTABLE FOR RETURN. THIS PROCEDURE SHOULD BE DONE CAREFULLY TO AVOID CUTTING HOLES IN THE WRONG PLACE.

- 1. LAY CARPET FLAT. FOLD IN HALF BY PULLING FRONT EDGE BACK OVER TO MEET REAR EDGE.
- 2. CENTER FOLDED CARPET OVER THE TRANSMISSION HUMP JUST IN FRONT OF THE FRONT SEAT.
- 3. SLOWLY UNFOLD THE CARPET TOWARD THE FRONT FIREWALL.

- 4. WHEN YOU REACH A SHIFT LEVER CUT A SMALL "X" SHAPED SLIT JUST LARGE ENOUGH FOR THE SHIFT LEVER ROD TO FIT THROUGH.
- 5. LIFT THE CARPET UP AND SLIDE IT DOWN OVER THE LEVER THROUGH THE "X" SLIT.
- 6. REPEAT STEPS 3. 4 AND 5 IF A SECOND SHIFT LEVER EXIST.
- 7. AFTER THE FULL INSTALLATION OF YOUR CARPET IS COMPLETE, RETURN TO THE SHIFT LEVERS AND CUT THE HOLES LARGER. BE CAREFUL NOT TO CUT THE HOLE LARGER THAN THE BOOT THAT WILL COVER THE AREA.
- 8. USE THE SAME "X" SLIT SYSTEM IF YOUR VEHICLE REQUIRES A CUTOUT FOR THE FLOOR DIMMER SWITCH.
- 9. CENTER THE CARPET OVER THE TRANSMISSION HUMP AND STARTING FROM THE CENTER OF THE HUMP, WORK OUT TOWARDS EACH SIDE SMOOTHING OUT WRINKLES AND PULLING THE CARPET TIGHT.

**NOTE:** MANY PEOPLE ALSO PREFER TO USE BRUSH OR SPRAY ADHESIVE ON THE FLOOR TO GIVE A BETTER, SMOOTHER FIT WHICH IS LESS LIKELY TO MOVE OVER TIME. AFTER CORRECT FIT IS DETERMINED, FOLD BACK SECTIONS OF THE CARPET. APPLY ADHESIVE THEN SMOOTH DOWN AND PRESS INTO POSITION.

- 10. ON SOME CARPETS YOU WILL FIND SLIGHT EXCESS OF MATERIAL ON BOTH SIDES AT THE SILL PLATES. THIS IS PURPOSELY INCLUDED TO PROVIDE FOR POSSIBLE VARIATIONS OF INDIVIDUAL INSTALLATIONS. IF EXCESS EXISTS ON YOUR CAR, MERELY TRIM IT OFF WITH SCISSORS.
- 11. SLIP END OF CARPET UNDER SILL PLATE AT EITHER SIDE.
- 12. REPLACE ACCELERATOR PEDAL, AND SMOOTH OUT CARPET SO THAT IT LIES FLAT. REPLACE SILL PLATE AND SCREWS.
- 13. SLIT TO EDGE OF CARPET UNDER VALANCE, IF YOUR VEHICLE HAS ONE.

**NOTE:** SOME MODELS WILL REQUIRE HOLE OPENINGS FOR STEER POST PEDALS, MOUNTING BRACKETS, ETC. THESE HOLES SHOULD BE CUT CAREFULLY AFTER VERIFYING THAT CARPET FITS PROPERLY.

