

ABS HEADLINER BOARD INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS AFH19

1982-92 CAMARO/FIREBIRD WITH SOLID ROOF

PLEASE READ THROUGH INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE STARTING JOB

Tools required are Philips screwdriver, thin blade screwdriver, pliers and safety knife.

Replacement headliner is vacuum formed in ABS plastic & can be “painted to match” but is usually covered with headlining fabric as was original.

Note 1: If your car has a console or dual map lights please read cutout instructions.

Note: All ABS Headliner boards come with pre-cut holes in the board for dome lights, visor bracket openings, etc. Fabric will cover the entire board. Once you choose which openings you need, using a razor knife, cut an “X” in the center of each opening and fold back the material that can be glued or taped to the back side of the board. This will give each opening a clean appearance.

EXTRA CUTOUTS – Our parts are pre-cut to accommodate the most common of the cars interior equipment. However, some models are equipped with additional overhead lights, etc. If your vehicle has these additional options please contact us and we will send you the instruction sheet.

1. Using dome light as reference point lay template on back side of headliner and outline area needed to be cut out.
2. Using a cutting tool such as safety knife carefully cut the marked plastic out. If headliner has been pre-covered try to only cut through the plastic from this side leaving the material intact. Then cut the fabric out from the other side. This will allow the cutout to be done without disturbing the bond of the headlining material to the headliner around the cutout.

ACTUAL INSTALLATION INSTRUCTION: Removing old headliner:

- a. Sunvisors – remove using Philips screwdriver (if new sunvisors have been purchased with headliner save the mounting brackets from the old sunvisors, as they do not come with the new sunvisors).
- b. Sail panels (quarter panels below headliner) - remove both coat hanger hooks using Philips screwdriver then lift sail panels up and out to remove them.
- c. Moldings over doors - remove the screws at the bottom of these moldings then with pliers gently rock the moldings to release the Christmas tree shaped clips that hold them in place. These clips should be reusable.
- d. Trim panel above rear window – remove six Philips screws and lift out.
- e. Seatbelt anchor covers – gently pry out on plastic anchor cover with flat screwdriver to remove. Additional attention to the seat belts and anchors is not needed.
- f. Dome light – caution bulb may be hot – carefully squeeze lens to remove and expose housing. Then remove bulb. The two washer like clips are removed with pliers to release the dome light assembly. Then disconnect the wires.
- g. Headliner is now secured by three plastic clips near the windshield. Shift headliner toward passenger side to release these clips. Note: New headliner being rigid does not require these front support clips.

Installing new headliner:

- h. Fit headliner into car and line up seatbelt cutouts with seat belts. Then thread seat belts through cutouts in headliner.
Note: some room exists for fore and aft adjustments.
- i. Line up sunvisor mount cutouts and replace sunvisor mounting brackets. Do not completely tighten screws.

Note: At this point the headliner should appear symmetrical. If not a small amount of shifting could be needed for final fit.

- i. Replace panel above rear window and tighten sunvisor brackets.
- j. Replace remaining trim.
- k. Thread wires for overhead electrical through cutouts & re-attach plastic assemblies. Re-connect wires and install bulb.