



Application: 1970-1976 Corvette

Part Includes

1 - Component

Door Panel Deluxe w/ Walnut Insert



Tools Needed



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REMOVAL OF YOUR ORIGINAL PANEL FROM THE DOOR

STEP 1.

Inspect the door panel or panels you have received. Verify that they are the correct year, color and sides, LH and RH, for your Corvette. 1970-76 Door Panels have a double line of stitching running the length of the door panel at the top.

STEP 2.

Open the door. Remove the two screws that go through the door panel at the top of the panel with a Phillips Screwdriver. One is located in the top front corner and the other at the top rear corner of the panel.

STEP 3.

Remove the two screws that hold the door pull to the panel. One screw is located in each end of the pull.

STEP 4.

Remove the screw that holds the door opening handle to the door opening mechanism and pull the handle from the mechanism.

STEP 5.

Remove the lock knob from the armrest area. There is a clip in a groove in the back of the knob that holds the knob on to the lock post. This clip must be removed before the knob can be pulled from the lock post.

STEP 6.

If your Corvette has crank windows, the window crank must be removed. There is a clip in a groove on the back side of the crank that holds the crank on to the window regulator post. This clip must be removed with a retaining clip removal tool before the crank can be pulled from the regulator post.

STEP 7.

Remove the screws that hold the 2 door panel retaining clips to the door. One is located on the front lower edge of the door and the other is located on the rear lower edge of the door.

STEP 8.

If your Corvette has manual remote control mirrors, unfasten the control mechanism from the door panel.

STEP 9.

Pull on the bottom edge of the door panel until the fasteners on the panel and the door separate. When you have pulled the bottom of the panel far enough away for the panel to clear with window regulator post (if applicable), lift the panel so the top of it comes free from the door.



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Description (cont.)

INSTALLATION OF THE DOOR PANEL ON THE CAR

STEP 10.

With a razor blade or utility knife, trim away the door skin material and foam covering the mounting holes for the door pull. These holes appear as circular indentations in the center of the two triangular shaped raised areas on the face of the panel. Remove enough foam to allow the door pull to fit flush against the panel.

STEP 11.

Hook the top of the panel over the door and position the panel, front to back. Note: there is a triangular protrusion on the back of the panel near the top middle that fits into a recess in the door. The panel must be situated correctly front to back, in this recess area to allow the bottom of the panel to mount properly against the bottom of the door.

STEP 12.

Locate the two screw holes at the top of the door, one at the front corner and one at the rear corner. With an awl, poke a hole through the door panel in these two locations so that the screws will align with the holes when replaced in the panel.

STEP 13.

Push the bottom of the panel toward the door so that the back of the panel contacts the window regulator post (if applicable). Push hard enough so the regulator post leaves an indentation in the foam on the back of the panel.

STEP 14.

Remove the panel from the door and cut out the hole for the window regulator post. Cut from the back of the panel using the indentation left by the post as a guide. Trim away enough material so the regulator post and window crank will have good freedom of movement but not so much that the crank doesn't completely cover the hole.

STEP 15.

Put the two door panel retaining clips on the panel, one in the front lower corner and one in the rear lower corner. These clips are necessary to hold the bottom of the panel tight against the door.

STEP 16.

Hook the top of the panel over the door and position it as before. Install the two screws in the top of the panel, one in the front corner and one in the rear corner.

STEP 17.

Push the bottom of the panel into position against the bottom of the door so the fasteners on the panel contact those on the door. Hold the panel in position and replace the screws in the door panel retaining clips at the front lower corner and rear lower corner of the door.

STEP 18.

Be sure the retaining clips are in the grooves on the back of the lock knob and window crank and replace these items in their respective locations.

STEP 19.

Replace the door opening handle and install the screw that holds it to the door opening mechanism.

STEP 20.

Place the door handle pull in position. With an awl, poke holes through the door panel back for the mounting screws and install these screws.