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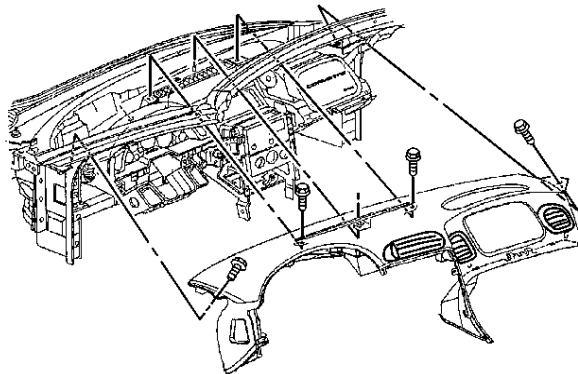
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Instrument Panel Upper Trim Pad Replacement

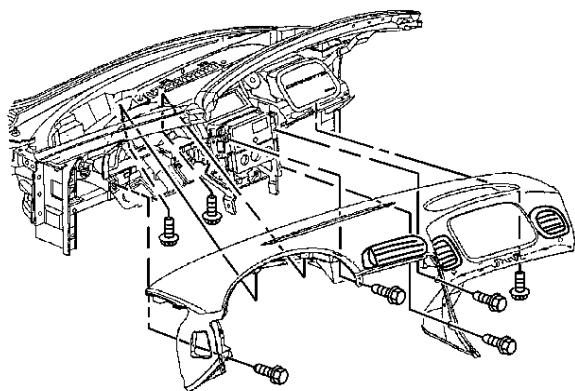
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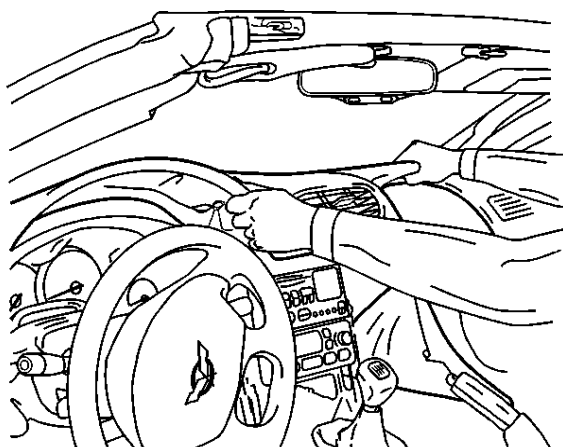
1. Remove the console. Refer to [Console Replacement](#) .
2. Remove the IP accessory trim plate. Refer to [Instrument Panel Accessory Trim Plate Replacement](#) .
3. Remove the driver knee bolster trim panel. Refer to [Driver Knee Bolster Panel Replacement](#) .
4. Remove the instrument panel compartment. Refer to [Instrument Panel Compartment Replacement](#) .
5. Remove the windshield defroster grille. Refer to [Defroster Grille Replacement](#) .
6. Insert the DRL and sunload sensors, if equipped, into the nearest openings in the windshield defroster duct.

Moving the sensors into the defroster duct provides additional clearance to remove the trim pad.

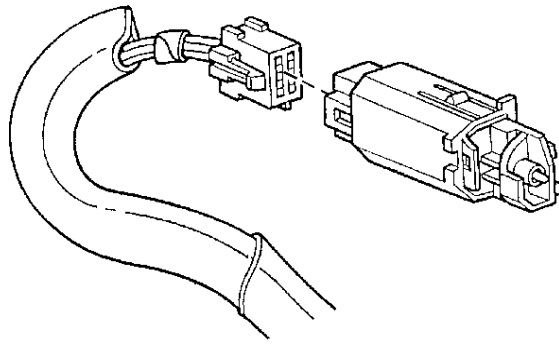
7. Remove the windshield side garnish moldings. Refer to [Windshield Side Garnish Molding Replacement](#) in Interior Trim.
8. Remove the screws retaining the upper trim pad to the defroster duct.
9. Remove the screws retaining the upper trim pad to the LH and RH hinge pillars.



10. Remove the screws retaining the IP cluster bezel to the upper trim pad.
11. Remove the screws retaining the upper trim pad to the driver knee bolster outer bracket and the center support bracket.
12. Remove the screw retaining the upper trim pad to the passenger SIR bracket.

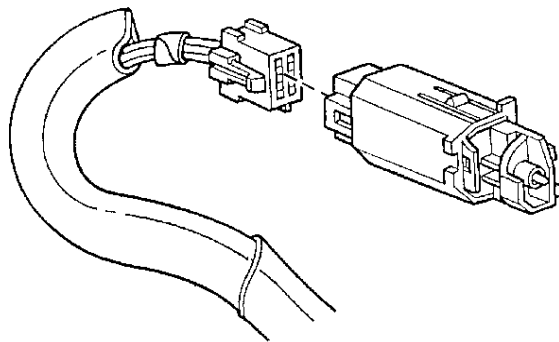


13. Tilt the steering wheel to the lowest position.
14. Lift the rearward edge of the upper trim pad approximately 5 cm (2 in) to provide clearance for the air distribution duct located on the underside of the trim pad.
15. **SLOWLY** pull the upper trim pad away from the windshield while guiding the tabs on the LH and RH side of the trim pad past the hinge pillars.

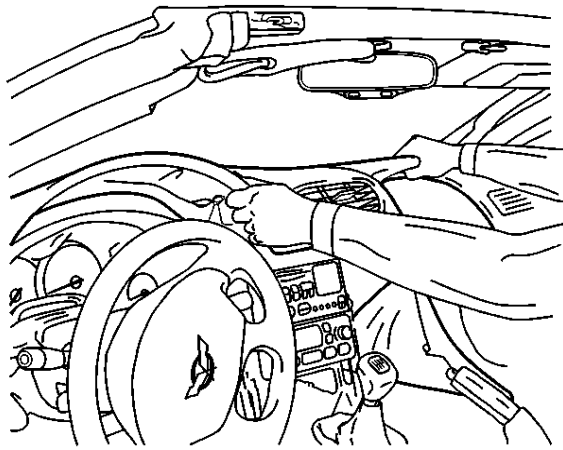


16. Disconnect the hazard warning switch electrical connector.
17. Remove the upper trim pad from the vehicle.

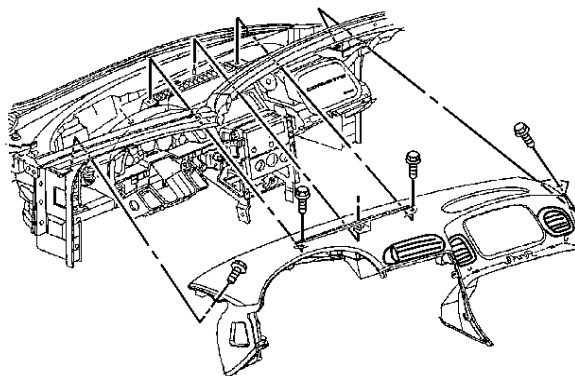
Installation Procedure



1. Connect the hazard warning switch electrical connector.



2. Install the IP upper trim pad into position.
 - 2.1. Tilt the forward edge of the trim pad down slightly.
 - 2.2. SLOWLY begin to move the trim pad into position while guiding the tabs on the LH and RH side of the trim pad past the hinge pillars.
 - 2.3. Locate the trim pad by guiding the alignment notch on the underside of the pad onto the alignment pin on the dash panel.
 - 2.4. Lower the rearward edge of the pad into place.
3. Remove the DRL and sunload sensors, if equipped, from the openings in the windshield defroster duct and position above the trim pad.



Notice: Use the correct fastener in the correct location. Replacement fasteners must be the correct part number for that application. Fasteners requiring replacement or fasteners requiring the use of thread locking compound or sealant are identified in the service procedure. Do not use paints, lubricants, or corrosion inhibitors on fasteners or fastener joint surfaces unless specified. These coatings affect fastener torque and joint clamping force and may damage the fastener. Use the

correct tightening sequence and specifications when installing fasteners in order to avoid damage to parts and systems.

4. Install the screws retaining the upper trim pad to the windshield defroster duct.

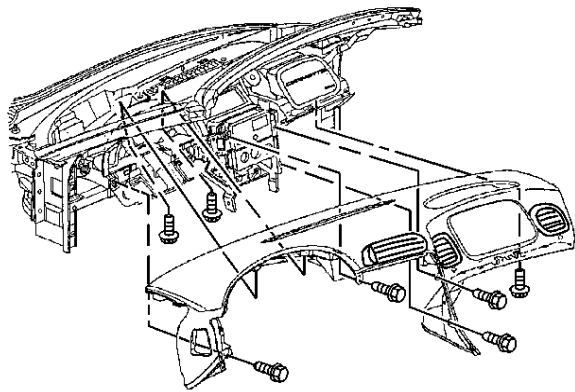
Tighten

Tighten the IP upper trim pad to windshield defroster duct screws to 1.9 N·m (17 lb in).

5. Install the screws retaining the upper trim pad to the LH and RH hinge pillars.

Tighten

Tighten the IP upper trim pad to LH and RH hinge pillar screws to 2.5 N·m (22 lb in).



6. Install the screws retaining the upper trim pad to the driver knee bolster outer bracket, the center support bracket and the passenger SIR bracket.

Tighten

- Tighten the IP upper trim pad to driver knee bolster outer bracket screw to 1.9 N·m (17 lb in).
- Tighten the IP upper trim pad to IP center support bracket screws to 1.9 N·m (17 lb in).
- Tighten the IP upper trim pad to passenger SIR bracket screw to 1.9 N·m (17 lb in).

7. Install the screws retaining the IP cluster bezel to the upper trim pad.

Tighten

Tighten the IP cluster bezel to IP upper trim pad screws to 1.3 N·m (12 lb in).

8. Install the windshield side garnish moldings. Refer to [Windshield Side Garnish Molding Replacement](#) in Interior Trim.
9. Install the windshield defroster grille. Refer to [Defroster Grille Replacement](#) .
10. Install the instrument panel compartment. Refer to [Instrument Panel Compartment Replacement](#) .
11. Install the driver knee bolster trim panel. Refer to [Driver Knee Bolster Panel Replacement](#) .
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