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1955-72 CARPET

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS



There's nothing quite like the look and smell of a nice interior with a brand new carpet set. Our molded carpet sets from Trim Parts are designed to follow perfectly and fit every contour of your vehicle. This article will cover the installation of a two-piece molded carpet set, yet the procedure can be used for one piece molded sets and non-molded sets as well.

Tools Needed:

Ratchet And Assorted Sockets Phillips Screwdriver Heavy Scissors Or Razor Knife

Time Frame:

2 Hours

Parts Needed:

(Molded Black Carpet is listed below, but all other years and styles are available)

14-35 1955-57 Non-Wagon One-Piece 14-24 1955-57 Non-Wagon Two-Piece

14-61 1955-57 Wagon/Nomad One-Piece

14-49 1955-57 Wagon/Nomad Two-Piece

514262 1961-64 2-Door Hardtop One-Piece

514250 1961-64 2-Door Hardtop Two-Piece

49-22 Super Trim Adhesive Spray

(See molded carpet color swatches available on page 6).

First, remove your custom molded carpet from the box. Lay it out flat in room temperature or above, for a recommended 12 to 24 hours. This allows the carpet to relax and regain its correct molded shape. Next, remove all sill plates, seat belts, and kick panels. Also, remove the front and rear seats. Now you can remove the old carpeting. If the original floor insulation is deteriorated, replace it at this time.



Photos #1 & #2: Locate the rear portion of your new carpet set. There are a few different ways to simplify the carpet installation. The best way is to place the old carpet over the top of your new carpet. This will give you a general pattern to follow. Note: All custom molded carpeting is cut oversized around all edges to insure no carpet is too short on the sides. While your old carpet is laying on top of your new carpet, begin trimming the edges of your new carpet to the edges of your old carpet, leaving an extra inch or more on all sides. Be very careful not to cut the carpet too small!



Photo #3: To make installation easier, place all seat and seat belt bolts back into their original holes. This will help you locate where the new carpet needs to be cut after it is in place. Now place the rear section of the carpet in the vehicle. Note: To figure which way your carpet installs, locate the area where the jute backing is attached. This is usually where your feet will sit in the floor pan. Be sure the carpet fits well against the floor pan and transmission tunnel in all areas before making any cuts. After the rear section is in place, install the front portion by using the same techniques as used for the rear. Note: Be sure the heel pad is directly under the pedal area. Carefully trim around the dimmer switch and accelerator pedal (if equipped) and install the grommets provided at these locations.

Now cut an "x" shape with a razor knife in the carpet over any bolts that were screwed back in place prior to laying the carpet. Now push the carpet over the bolts.



Photo #4: After both the front and the rear carpeting are in place and all holes are located, begin trimming all edges of the carpet using heavy-duty scissors or a sharp razor knife. Note: Use Super Trim Adhesive #49-22 to hold down any spots in the carpet that do not fit properly.

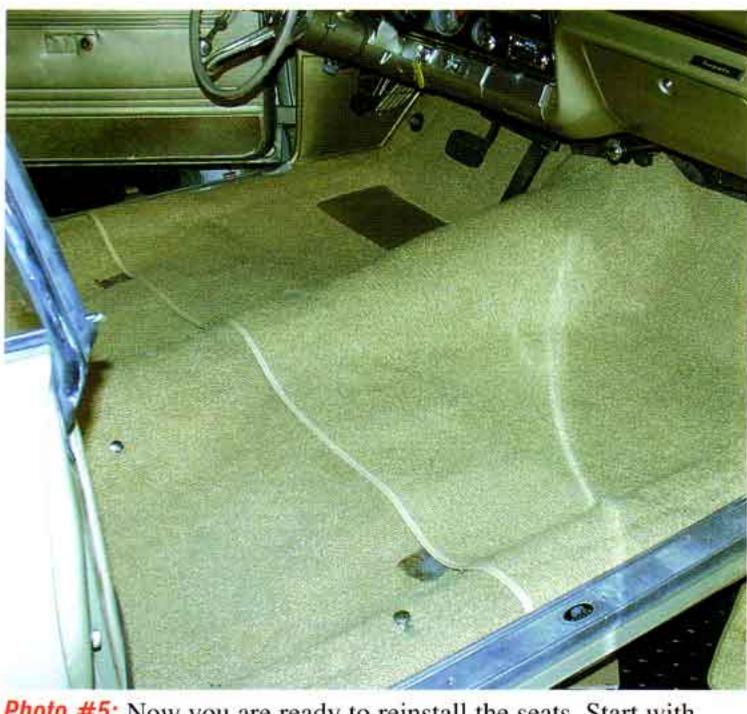


Photo #5: Now you are ready to reinstall the seats. Start with the back seat, then the front. When these are in and bolted down, reinstall the sill plates, seat belts and kick panels. Enjoy!