

Sharkbar C6

Instructions

1. Remove the coupe top for base model Corvettes.
2. Remove the plastic rivets from either end of the roof panel. An excellent tool is a small tack puller. Best results are achieved if the puller is inserted under the panel, not just under the rivet. Carefully pull down on the panel to remove.

Z06 Corvette note#1:

*Do not remove the roof panels. They are pinned instead of clipped and are very difficult to remove without breaking. To remove the panels slide the bottom of the quarter panel towards the middle of the Corvette. **When installing the quarter panels make sure to slip the top of the panels underneath the roof panels before connecting the Sharkbar to the B pillar brackets.***



3. Using a 5/8" socket and 3/8" ratchet remove the outer seat belt mounting from each seat. On Z06 Corvettes, disconnect the connector next to nut.



4. Raise the hatch and support it with a temporary hood rod.
5. Lift the boot from the bottom of each strut rod, disconnect the power lead, and then, using a small screwdriver, pry out the retaining clip. Once the clip is removed, the strut can be removed from the ball mounting point. Beware of the grease!



6. Remove the plastic rivets from each quarter panel that surrounds the shoulder harness and speaker. From the front of the panel, work your hand under the panel and look for the attachment points and apply gentle outward pressure to release the panels. The trickiest attachment is the one near the strut attachment point. This connector is a two-part connector with a very stout plastic rivet inserted into the body. This rivet is almost impossible to remove without rotating it 90 degrees. Gently prying the panel out and up will separate the outer part of the connector from the plastic rivet.

Z06 Corvettes:

The rivet near the strut attachment point or behind the speaker is a two-part connector with a very stout plastic rivet inserted into the body. Use a flashlight and locate the plastic rivet behind the speaker. Look down the panel from the door jam. Use a long slotted screwdriver push backwards on the quarter panel where the rivet slides into the panel. Have someone hold the quarter panel outward to clear the strut ball. Once the rivet clears the slot in the panel, it can be removed. The rivet can be re-used. It is easy to remove by rotating it 90 degrees.



7. Pop out the shoulder harness surround panel from the quarter panel. Ease the seatbelt end through this panel and then through the quarter panel.

Note: It's not necessary to slide the belt through the shoulder belt trim if you are planning to reuse the quarter panel. This is especially true with 2007 Z06 vettes due to the extra electrical attachments to the belts.



8. Grasp the rear of each of the sill plate trim panels and lift up a couple of inches to release the clip.
Remove each of the trim panels that extend up the back of the door opening from the sill to the quarter panel
9. Using a T-50 bit and ratchet, undo both bolts that hold the seatbelt retractors and shoulder harness guides in place.



10. Place the Sharkbar B-pillar bracket in place and insert the bolt through the shoulder harness guide and then the bracket. Start the bolt, but do not tighten

yet. Next place the retractor in place. The retractor has a t-tab on the back that must be inserted in a slot on the body and then the retractor slid down to Lock into place. Insert the bolt through the Sharkbar B-pillar bracket, then the retractor and start. Tighten both bolts to about 45 ft-lb.

Note: Removing some of the gray seam insulation will be necessary for the B-pillar bracket to fit.



11. Using a 5/16" Allen socket, remove the bolts from the Shark Bar bracket.



12. If using existing quarter panels locate and drill the holes for the Sharkbar with the provided Template.
13. Remove the grommet material from the replacement quarter panels (if using replacements). Lay each quarter panel in the car where it is to be installed. Position the Sharkbar in the car and insert it through the holes in the quarter panels. Start all four Allen bolts and then tighten to 40 ft lbs. **Z06 Vettes see note #1.**



14. Reinstall the trim panels on the rear of the door openings.
15. Push down on the rear of each sill trim panel to seat the clips.
16. Insert the seat belt through the quarter panels and then through the shoulder harness trim panels and reattach to the seat. Snap the shoulder harness trim panels into the quarter panels.



17. Reattach each of the quarter panels to the body.
18. Reattach the roof panel.



19. Using a 3/16" bit, drill the necessary rivet holes in the new quarter panels, using the other panels to determine alignment.
20. Re-insert all plastic rivets.
21. Install the clips on the struts from the bottom of the strut and then push each strut over its mounting ball. Reattach the power lead and reposition the boots.
22. Install the grommets around the Sharkbar into the quarter panels.

Enjoy the finished product!



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