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Installation of RS3 Leather Interior

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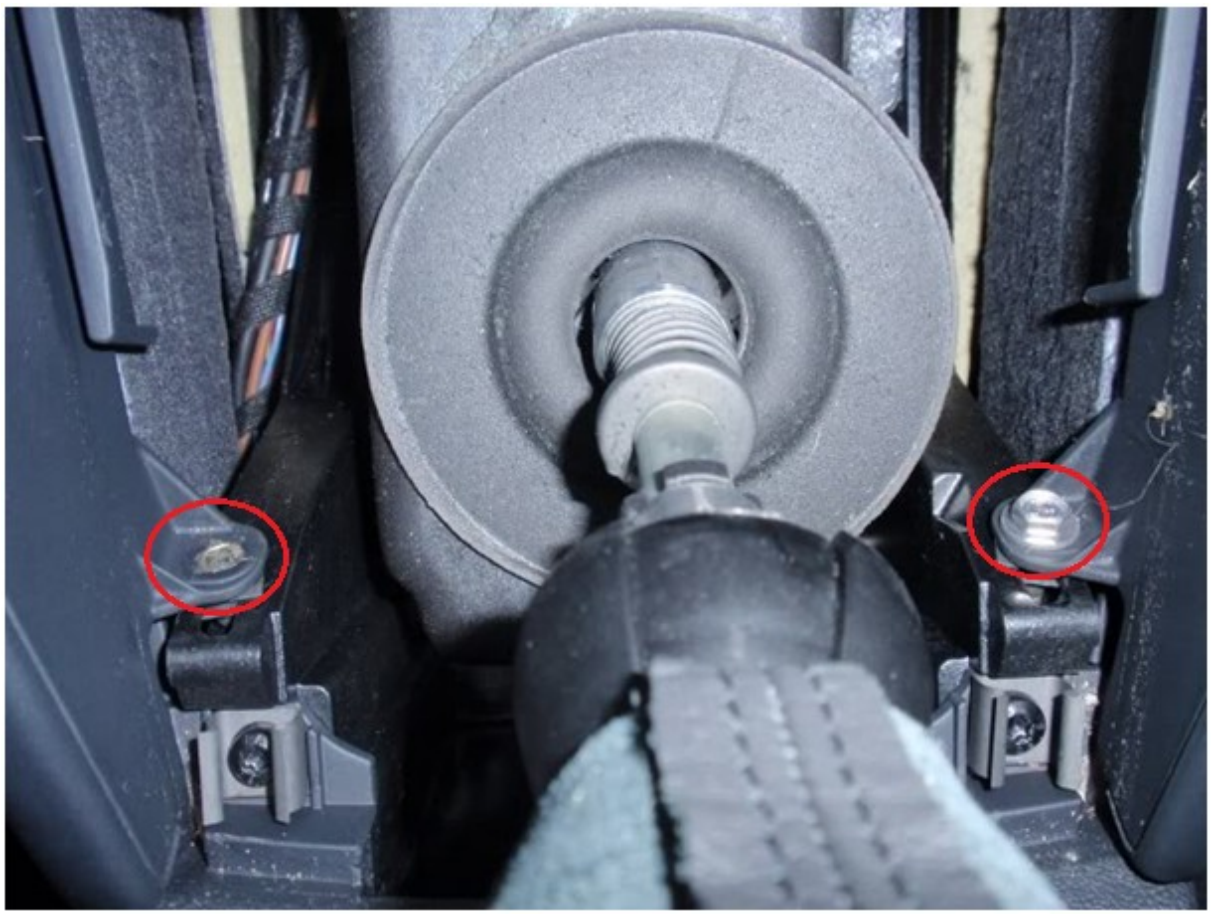
Triangles

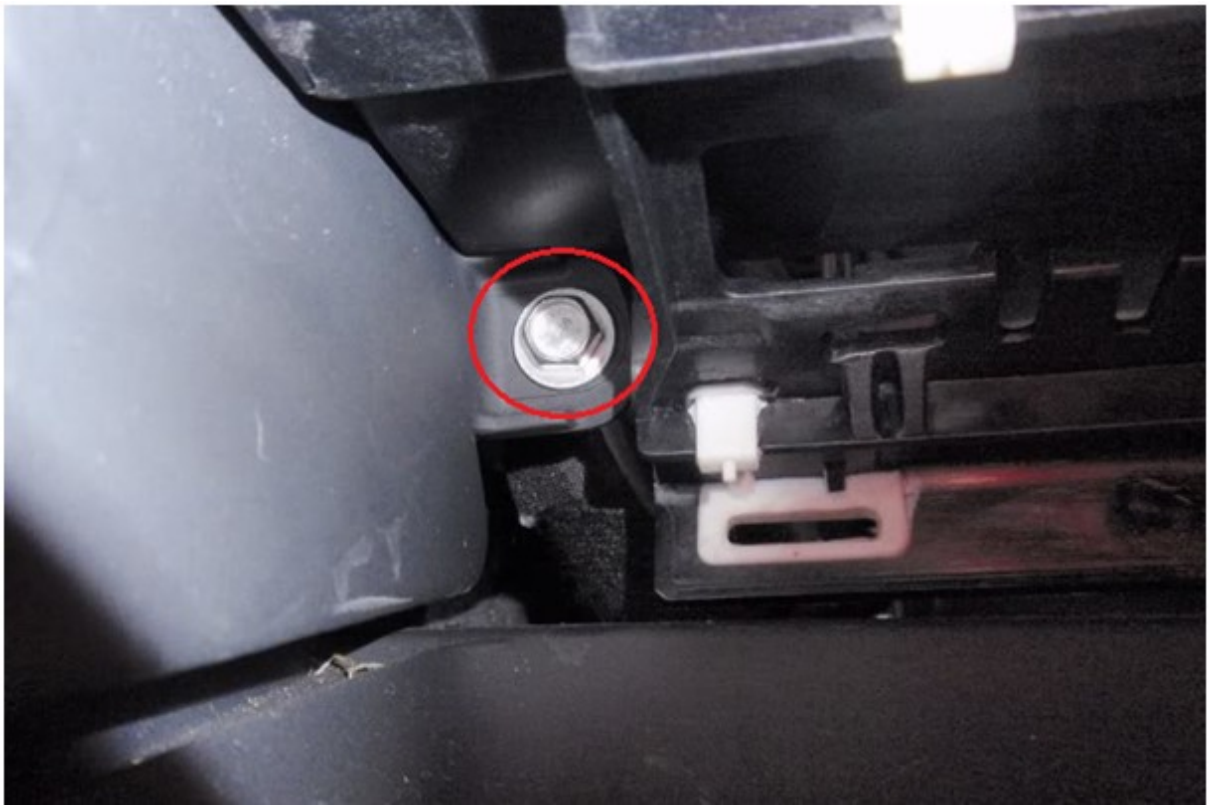
1. Pull the leather around the gearknob up and then start pulling it in each corner. The frame is mounted with 4 clips. You will need to push quite a lot before they release.

2. Remove the two bolts highlighted on the below picture. One on each side.



3. Release the two bolts so they are showing like on the below picture. There is one in each triangle. They cannot be removed, they will just fall down.

4. Behind where the ashtray was there is also two bolts. When they are removed, the triangles are no longer mounted. These bolts are not easy to get access to and it can be difficult to see what you are doing.



5. Install the new triangles.

Here is the final result!

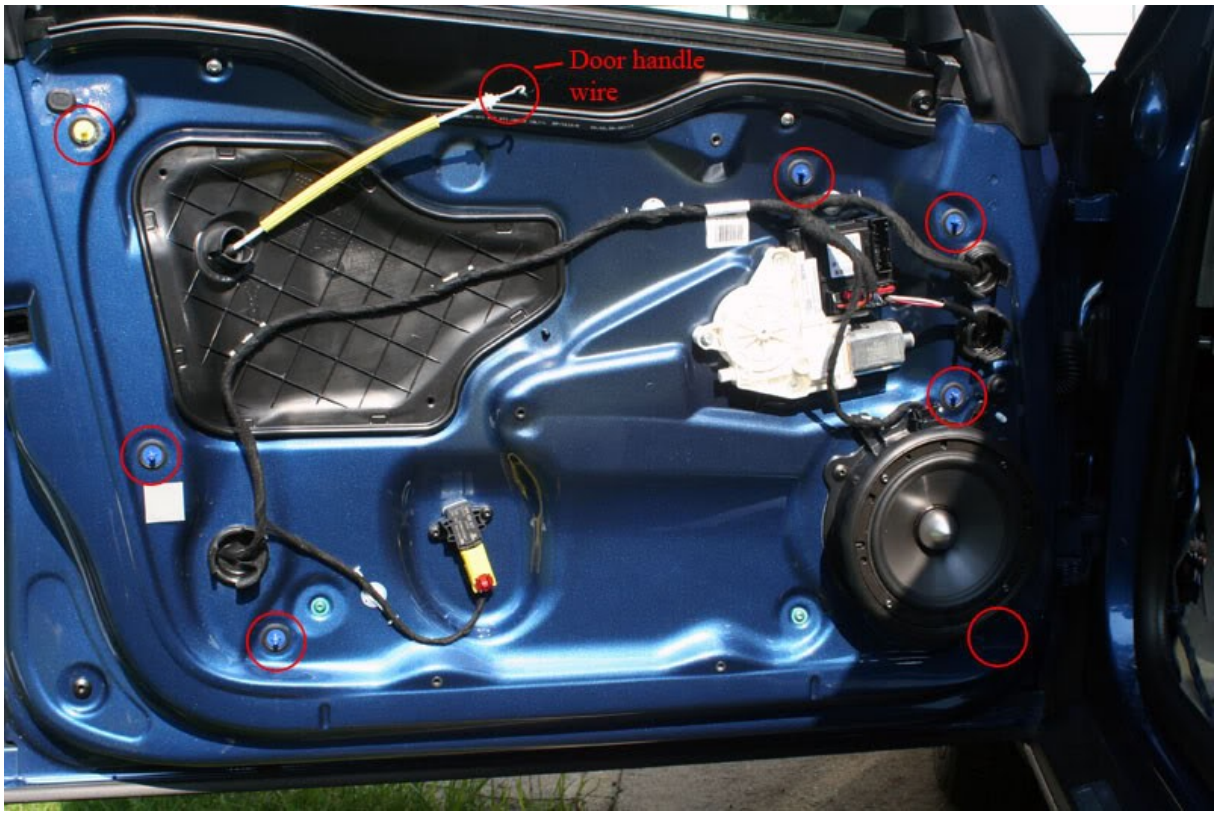
Armrests in front doors

1. Open up the door fully and remove the highlighted plastic trims. Remember always to use recommended tools.

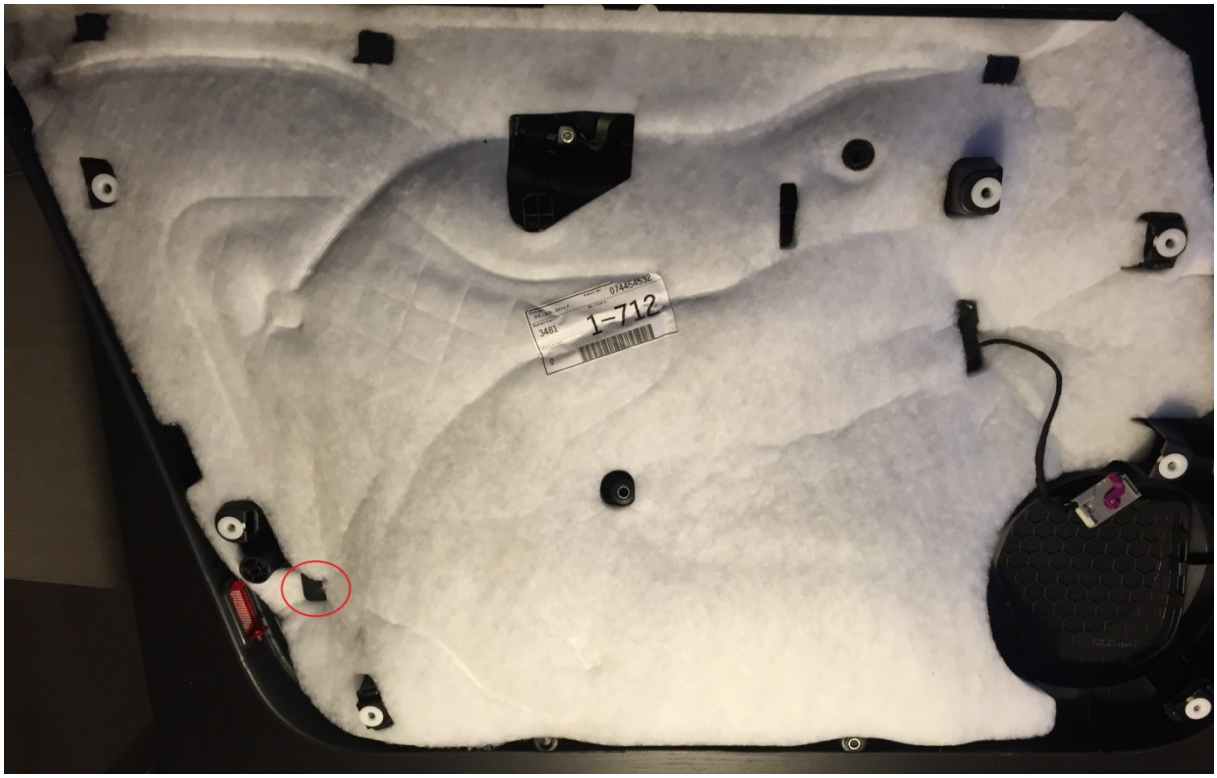
2. Remove the 4 torque screws. One is placed in the whole at the top of the armrest, one in the top of the compartment space and the last one (in some cases two) on the bottom of the door.

3. Once all of the torque screws are removed the door card is only hold by 7 clips. Start as shown on the picture and work your way down the door. Once the two first clips are released you should be and to use your hands to release the last ones.

4. Here is a picture of the 7 clips. Pull up the door card so it releases at the window. Unplug the door handles cable and the door modules plug.



5. Remove the insulation from the door. You don't need to remove it all, just from the bottom. Be careful as there are some small places where you need to work around removing the insulation without breaking it.



6. Remove the 8 torque screws highlighted on the picture.

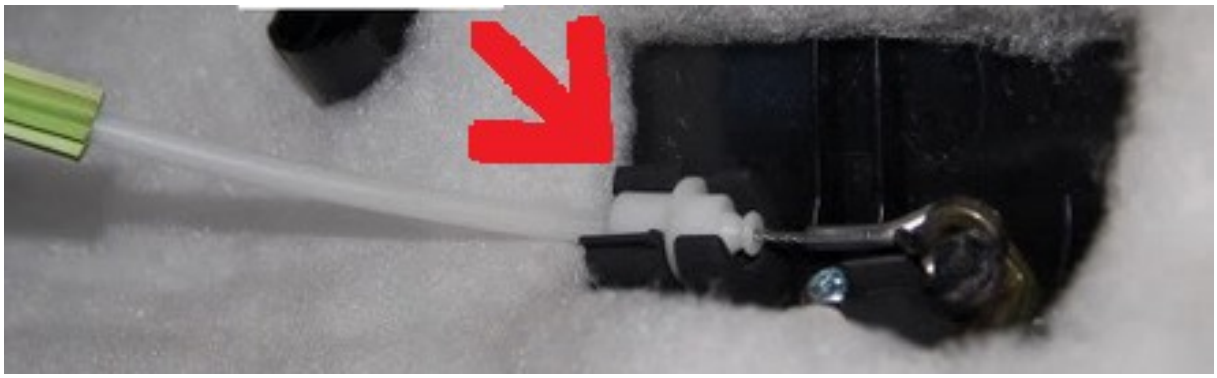
7. Turn the door card around and remove the last torque screw.

8. Pull off the arm rest. Be aware that it is only the outer part that is removed. Now install the new armrest. You need to work it a little before it fits due to all of the wholes for the torque screws, etc. When the armrest is in the correct place, fasten the torque screws again and put the insulation back on.

9. Installation of the door card is done the same way as you removed it.

Be aware that the door handle cable can be a pain to fit without releasing again. There is a small hook and a clips that needs to be used.

Please remember to test the door handle before tightening any screws. The door handle cable did fall off a couple of times for me.



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Armrests in rear doors

1. Remove the plastics for the treble cover.
Start from the bottom, that way no one will see the small scratches.

2. Remove the plastic trim. Again I would recommend you to start from the bottom.

3. Remove the torque screw inside the highlighted whole.

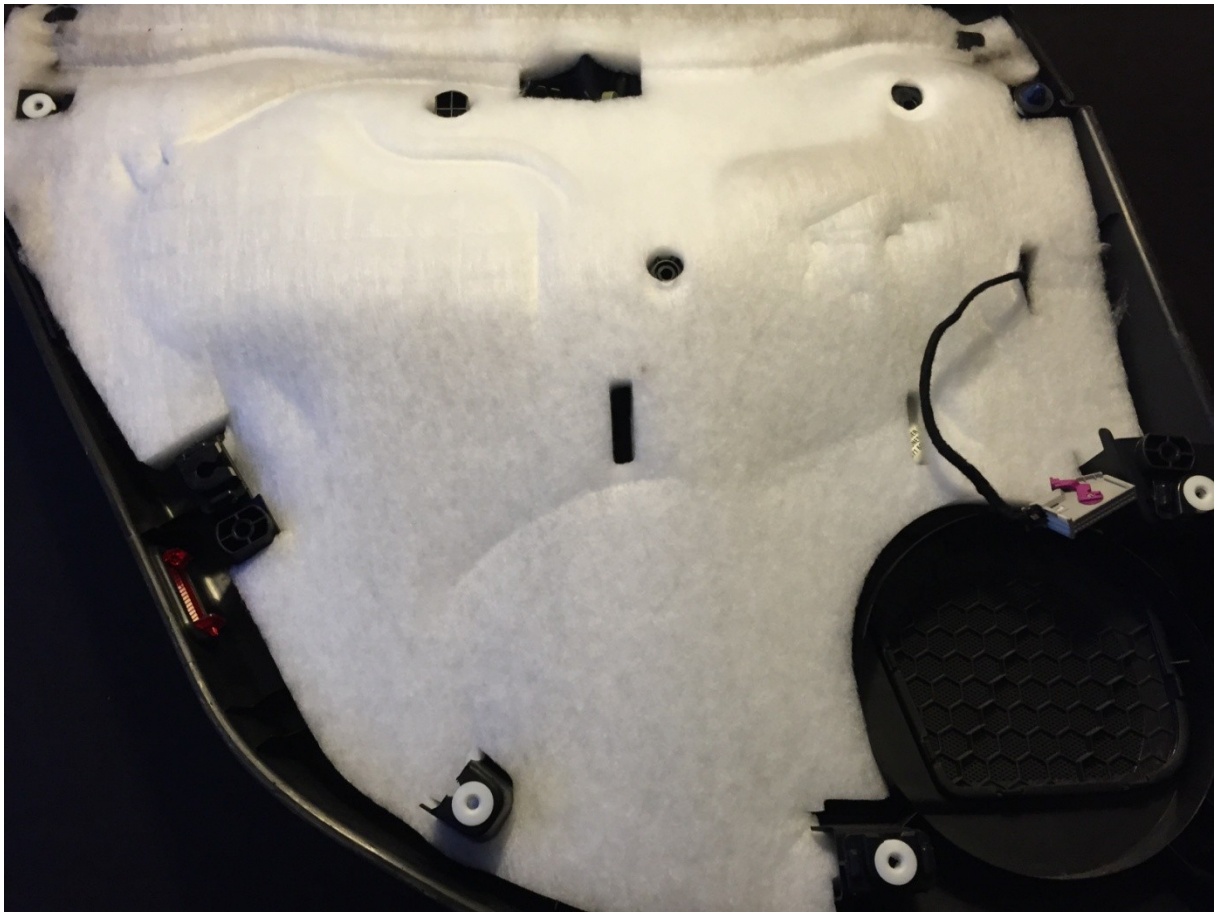
4. Remove the plastic surroundings.

5. Remove the torque screw inside the highlighted whole.

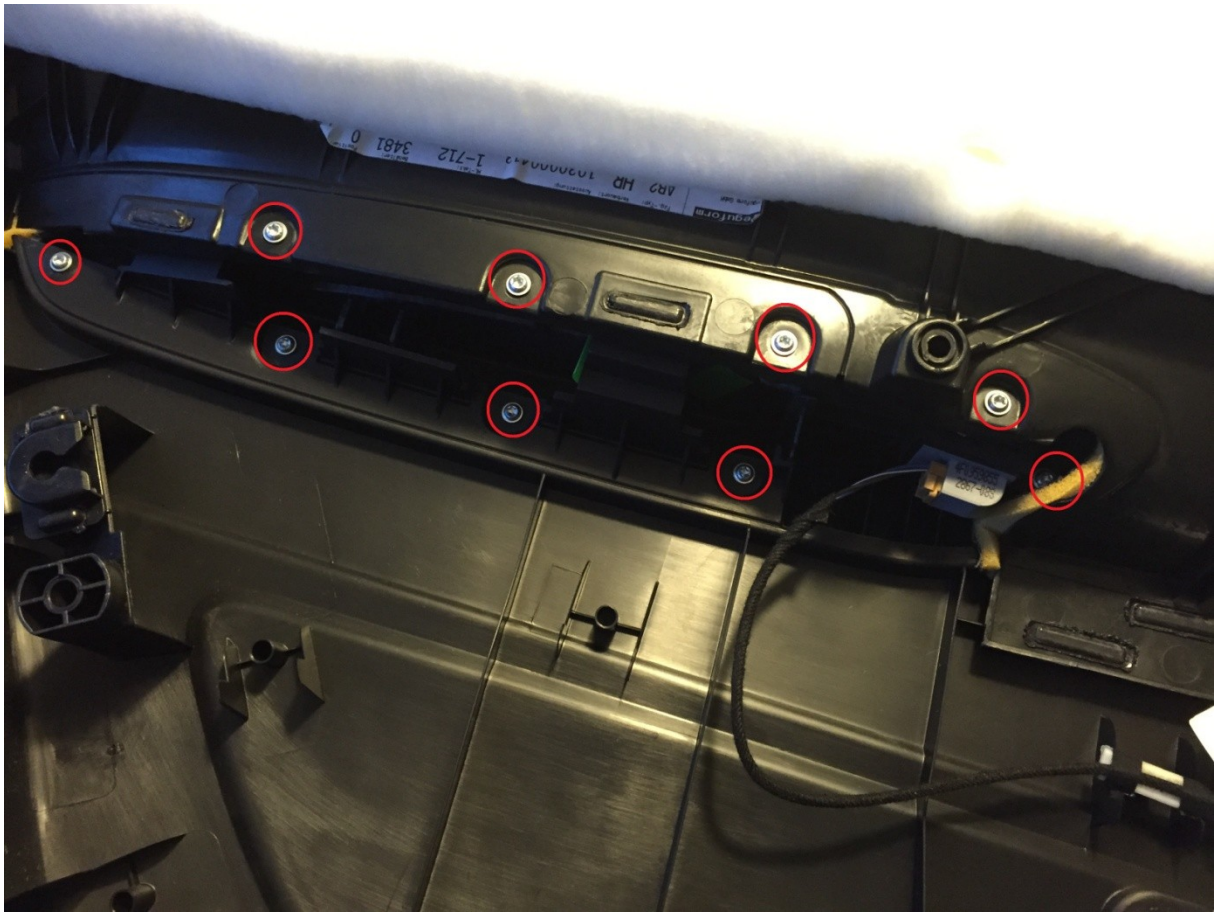
6. You have now removed all of the door cards screws and it is only fitted with 6 clips. Start from the bottom and work from side to side until all clips have released. Then pull the door card up so it releases at the window.

7. Unplug the door handles cable and the door modules plug.

8. Remove the door card insulation.



8. Remove the 9 highlighted torque screws.



9. Turn the door card around and remove the last torque screw.

10. Remove the insulation from the door. You don't need to remove it all, just from the bottom. Be careful as there are some small places where you need to work around removing the insulation without breaking it.

11. Installation of the door card is done the same way as you removed it.

Be aware that the door handle cable can be a pain to fit without releasing again. There is a small hook and a clips that needs to be used.

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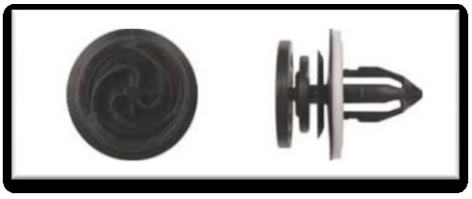
Some clips might break. I did break two of these small clips shown on the below picture. Part Number: 8E0 868 243



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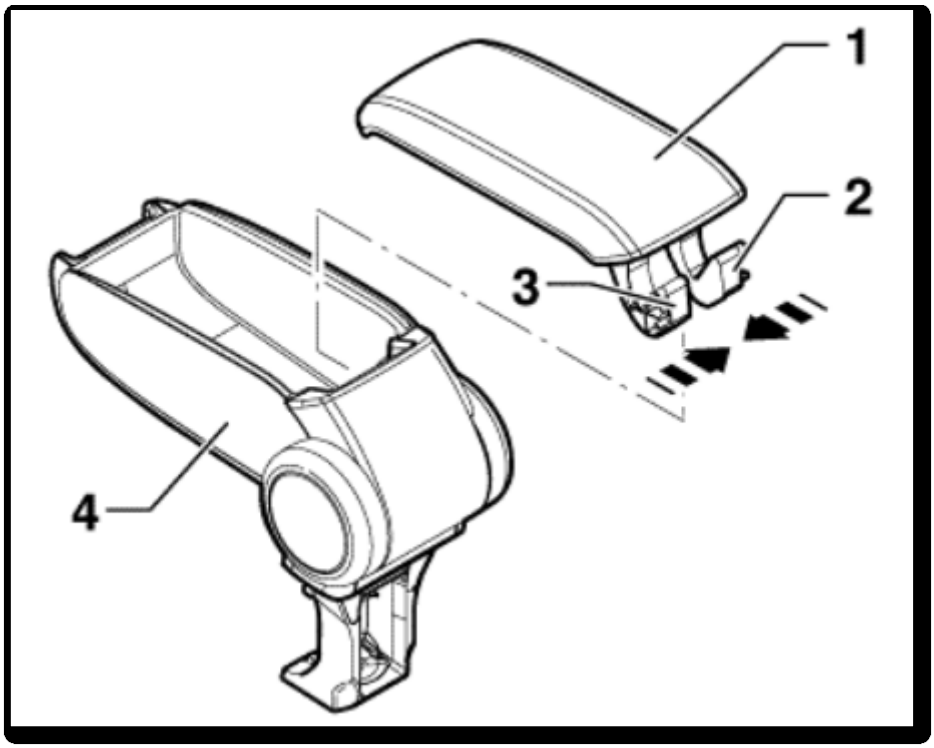
Center Armrest

1. Open the armrest lid and remove all of your shit.
2. Squeeze leg (2) and (3) together as shown on the picture.
3. Remove the legs out of stand (4) while leg (2) and (3) are still squeezed.
4. Remove the lid (1) from the armrest.



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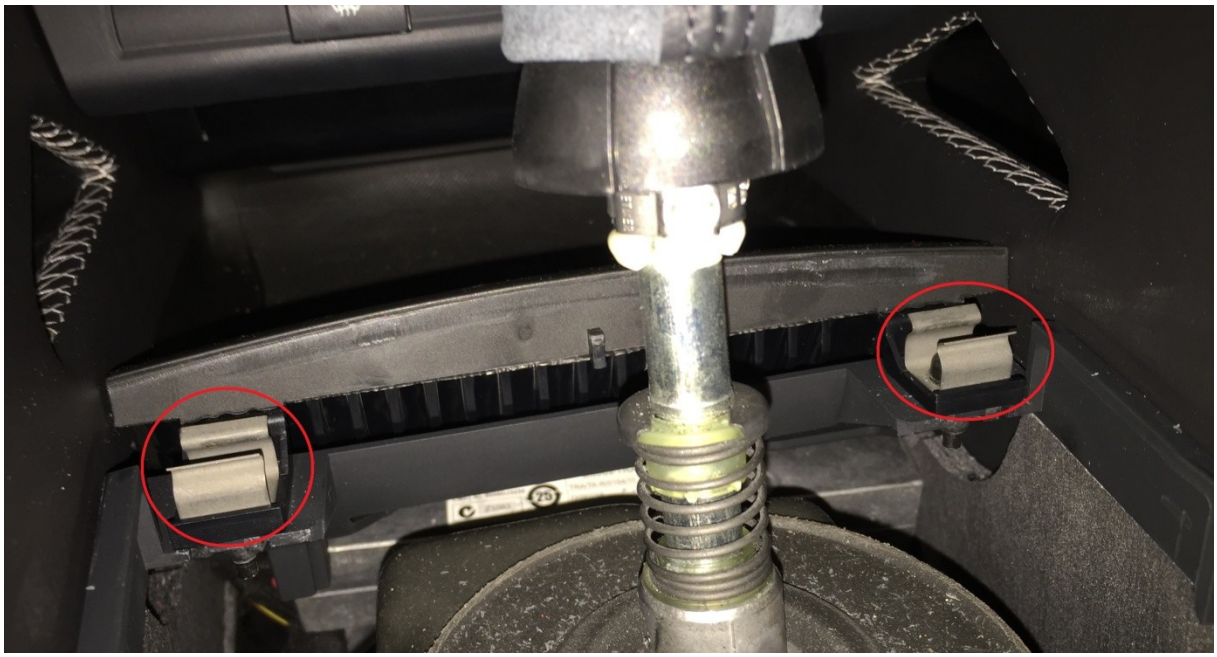
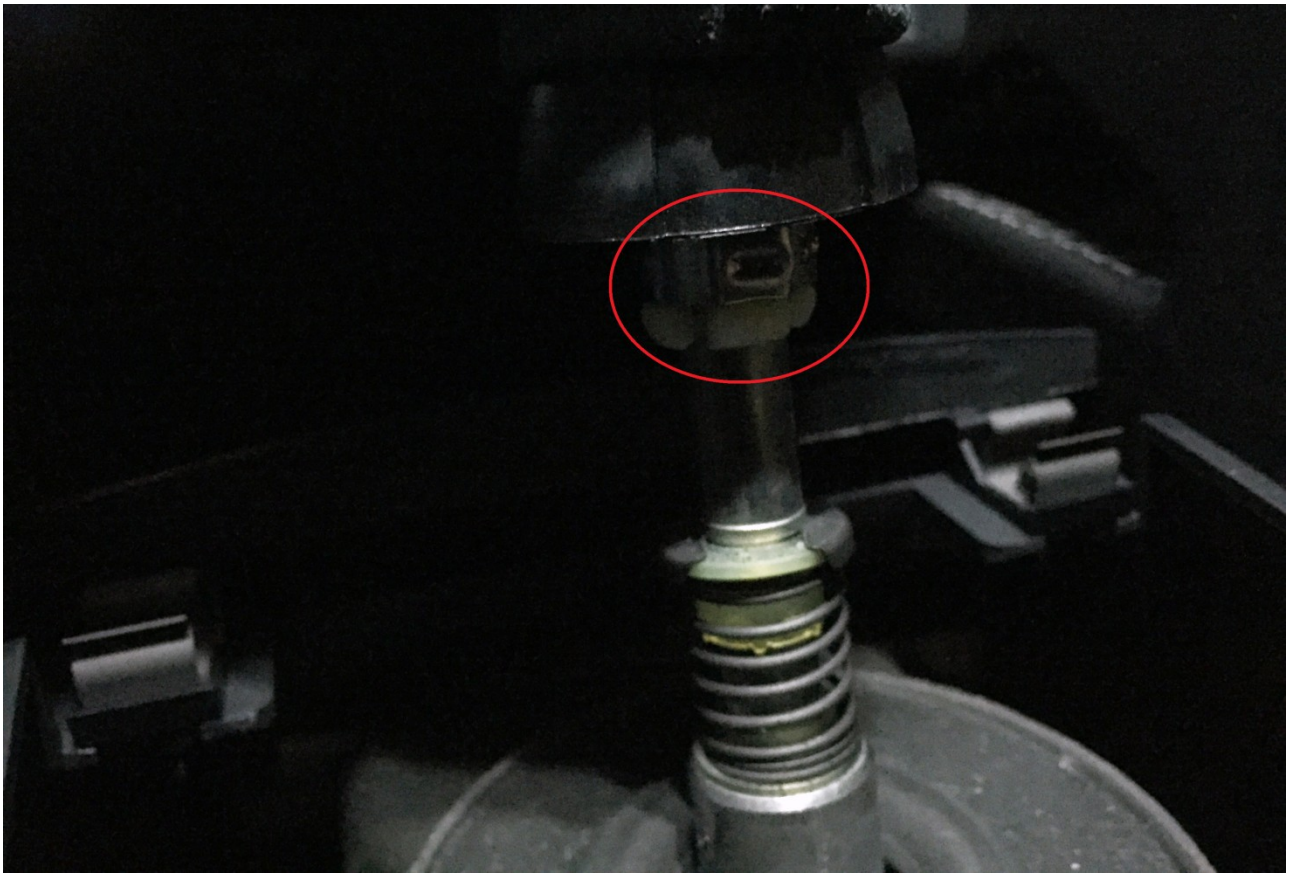
Gear Knob

1. Put the car in neutral gear.

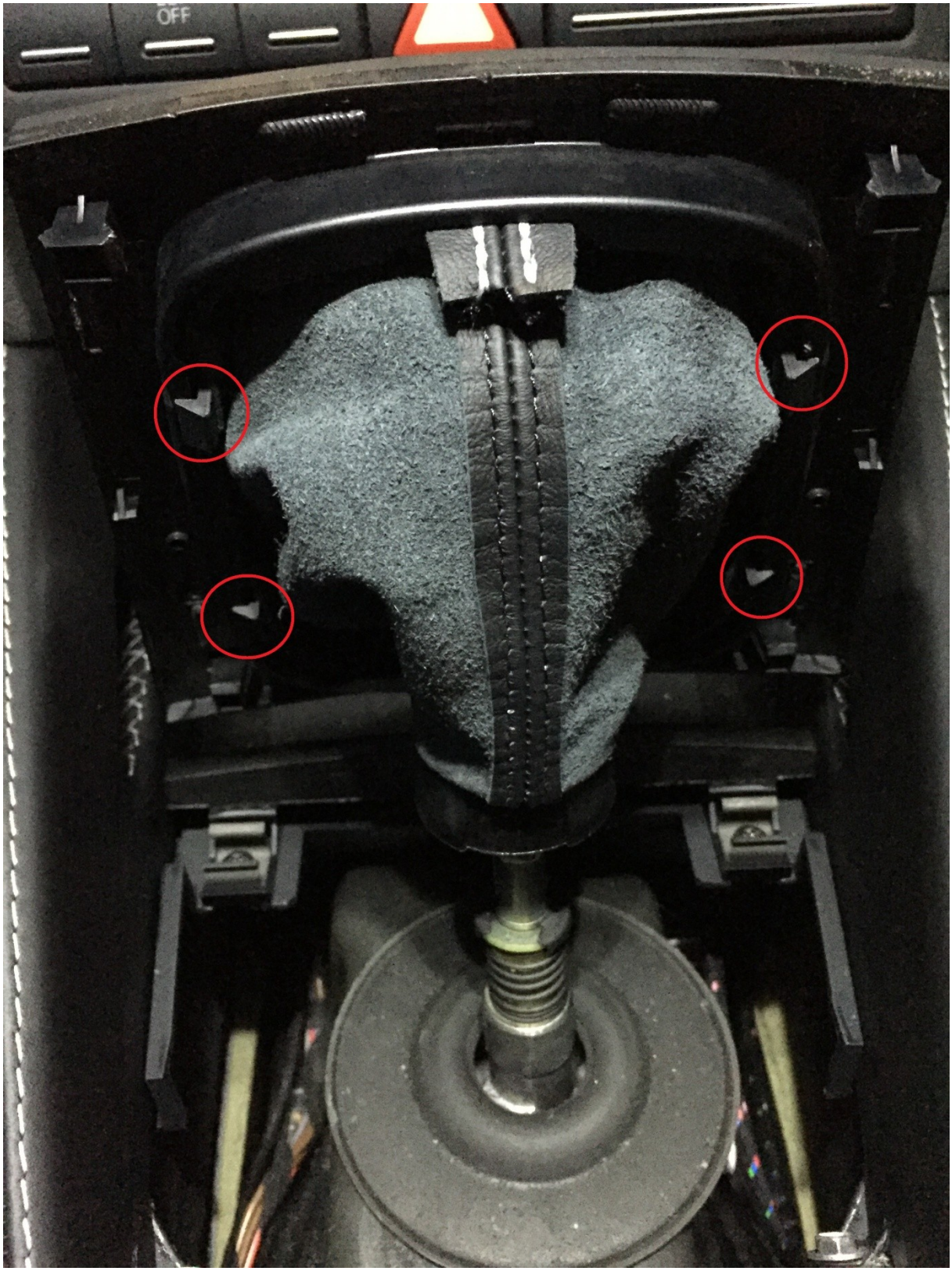
2. Pull the leather around the gear knob up and then start pulling it in each corner. The frame is mounted with 4 clips. You will need to push quite a lot before they release.



3. Remove the clips from the picture. I believe this requies special tools – or violence. I used violence.



4. Remove the gear surrounding. 4 clips is holding it in place.



5. Install the frame around the new gear knob leather.

6. Tighten the new clips using a screwdriver.

7. Pull the leather down the gear shifter and install it on the 4 clips.

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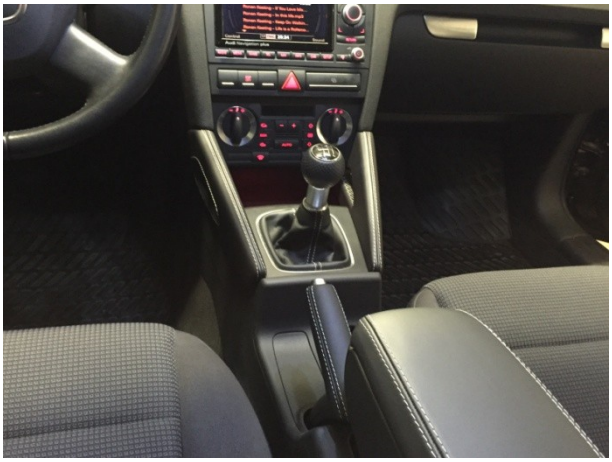

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