



Reproduction Dash Pads to Fit 1963-1967 Corvettes

Every effort has been made to ensure the highest possible quality in regard to the color, fit, texture, appearance and longevity of this CA Dash Pad. The construction of the pad incorporates many improvements over the original pad and will significantly add to the appearance of your Corvette for years to come.



Tools Required

1. Straight blade screwdriver
 2. Phillips screwdriver
 3. Socket set
 4. Pliers
 5. Masking tape
 7. Marking pen
 7. Wooden shims
 8. Allen wrenches
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A. Removal of Old Pads From Dash

- 1.** Inspect the dash pad or pads you have received. Verify they are the correct year, color and side, left-hand and/or right hand, for your Corvette.
- 2.** Disconnect the battery to eliminate the possibility of causing a short while disconnecting or reconnecting wiring.
- 3.** Open the glove box door and remove the Phillips head screws around the perimeter of the glove box frame and also underneath the glove box door by the hinge. With these screws removed, the whole glove box assembly can be taken out of the dash.
- 4.** Remove the screws that secure the radio side panels to each side of the dash console and remove the panels. If your Corvette is a 1967, it will also be necessary to remove the vent knobs with an Allen wrench to remove the panels.
- 5.** Remove the screws around the perimeter of the shifter console plate, including the ones located along the inside edge of the plate by the radio. With the screws out, remove the shifter console plate.
- 6.** Disconnect the wiring going to the clock and label with masking tape and marking pen. Remove the clips that secure the clock, and remove the clock from the front of the dash.
- 7.** Remove the radio knobs and the nuts behind the knobs that secure the radio control stems to the dash. Disconnect the wiring to the radio, the antenna lead-in cable, and the speaker. Label all with tape. Remove the mounting bolt from the bracket, and remove the radio from the back of the dash.

- 8.** Remove the remaining dash knobs. Label each as they are removed. Disconnect the control cables from the dash by removing the nuts on each on the front of the dash, and then pull them from the back of the dash. Label each cable as it is removed.

- 9.** Remove the screws that secure the steering column flange to the bottom center of the instrument cluster.

- 10.** In order to obtain enough clearance between the steering column and the dash pad to remove the instrument cluster, it will be necessary to loosen and remove the bolts that hold the steering column bracket to the brake/clutch pedal assembly underneath the dash. It may also be necessary to disconnect the steering column at the steering coupler, above the steering gear box in the engine compartment, in order to gain enough clearance.

With these items loosened, lower the steering column and shim it into position with wooden shims between the brake/clutch pedal assembly and the mounting bracket.

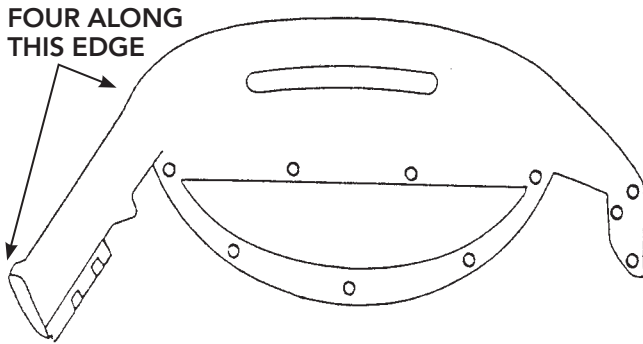
- 11.** Remove the five Phillips head screws from the perimeter of the instrument cluster. Tilt the top of the cluster out, reach behind and disconnect the speedometer cable, tachometer cable, and oil pressure line.

- 12.** Disconnect all the wiring attached to the instrument cluster. Label each wire as you remove it from the cluster to facilitate reassembly. When all wiring is disconnected the cluster will come free from the dash.

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13. The dash pads are secured to the fiberglass dash frame by special clips. These clips go through the dash frame and into the pad where they are expanded.

In order to remove these clips, insert the tip of a straight blade screwdriver into the seam in the middle of the clip and twist. This will spread the outside of the clip and contract the part that is in the pad. It may be necessary to hold the clip with pliers while twisting the screwdriver to spread the clip properly. Once the clips are spread, they can be removed with pliers. There are as many as 14 clips on each pad. Refer to the diagram below for their locations.



14. The passenger side dash pad has two threaded studs that protrude through the fiberglass dash frame and are secured by nuts on the underside of the frame. These nuts must be removed with an appropriately sized socket.

15. With all the clips removed and the nuts removed, the dash pads will come free from the dash.

B. Installation of New Pads In Dash

- 1.** Place the new pads in position being sure the studs on the right-hand pad go through the holes in the dash frame.
- 2.** Replace the nuts on the studs on the right-hand pad.
- 3.** Replace the clips and secure them by squeezing them with pliers after they are positioned.
- 4.** Reattach the wiring to the instrument cluster and place it in position in the dash. Reattach the speedometer and tachometer cables, and the oil pressure line.
- 5.** Place the instrument cluster in position and replace the five Phillips head screws around its perimeter.
- 6.** Remove the shims holding the steering column in a lowered position and place it in its correct position. Reconnect the column at the steering coupler if it was disconnected. Replace the screws in the bracket that attaches the steering column to the brake/clutch pedal assembly.
- 7.** Replace the screws that secure the steering column flange to the bottom center of the instrument cluster.
- 8.** Replace the control cables and dash knobs.
- 9.** Place the radio in position and secure by installing the bolt in the mounting bracket. Reconnect the wiring antenna cable and speaker lead. Replace the nuts on the control stems and replace the knobs.
- 10.** Replace the clock and secure with the mounting clips. Reconnect wiring.
- 11.** Place the shifter console plate in position and replace all the screws.
- 12.** Replace the radio side panels and secure by replacing the screws. Replace the vent cables and knobs if your Corvette is a 1967 model.
- 13.** Place the glove box assembly in position in the dash and replace the screws that secure it to the dash.
- 14.** Reconnect the battery and your dash pad installation is complete.

