

Installation Instructions

For: GEO Tracker &
Suzuki Sidekick (1986-1994)

Part Number: 51762



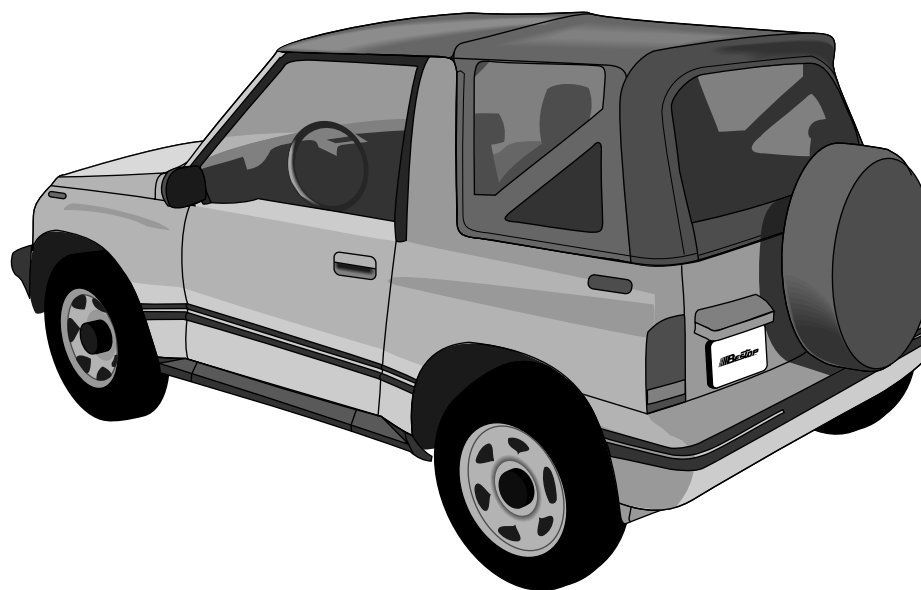
Congratulations on your purchasing decision. Bestop designed this Convertible Top to provide dependability and performance with proper care. If you encounter any problems during the installation of your Convertible Top, or at any later date, please contact your authorized Bestop dealer or call our Consumer Response Department, Monday - Friday 8AM - 4:30PM (MST) at 1-800-346-3910 or (303) 465-1755 in Colorado.

WARNING

This product is designed to enhance the appearance of the vehicle and to shield the occupants from ordinary weather conditions. Do not rely in any way on the components of this product to contain occupants within the vehicle, or to protect against injury or death in the event of an accident. This top will not protect the occupants from falling objects. Never operate vehicle in excess of manufacturer's specifications.

WEAR SEAT BELTS AT ALL TIMES.

Read and follow, precisely, all installation instructions provided when installing top. Failure to do so may result in a poor fitting top and could place occupants of the vehicle in a potentially dangerous situation.



Installation Tips

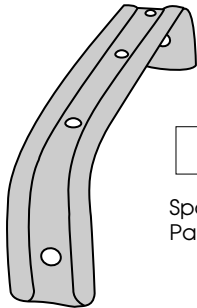
Before you begin installing this top assembly, read all instructions thoroughly. Below are a few tips to make this installation easier.

For a smooth fit:

For ease in installation, the top should be installed at temperatures above 72° F. Below this temperature, the top may contract an inch or more, making it difficult to fit to the vehicle and resulting in damage to the fabric components.

It is normal for a top to contract and wrinkle when stored in the shipping carton and there may be indentations in the windows. Within a few days of exposure to sunlight, after the installation, the top will relax and the wrinkles will disappear.

Parts List and Hardware Identification



Sport Bar Retainer, Qty - 1,
Part Number 271.89

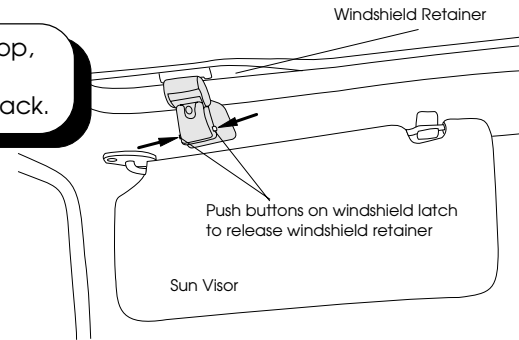


#10-32 x 1/2 Thread Forming Screw,
Qty - 5, Part Number 262.04

Front Deck	Qty - 1
Rear Deck	Qty - 1
Side Curtain - Right	Qty - 1
Side Curtain - Left	Qty - 1
Rear Curtain	Qty - 1
Sunroof Retention Strap	Qty - 1

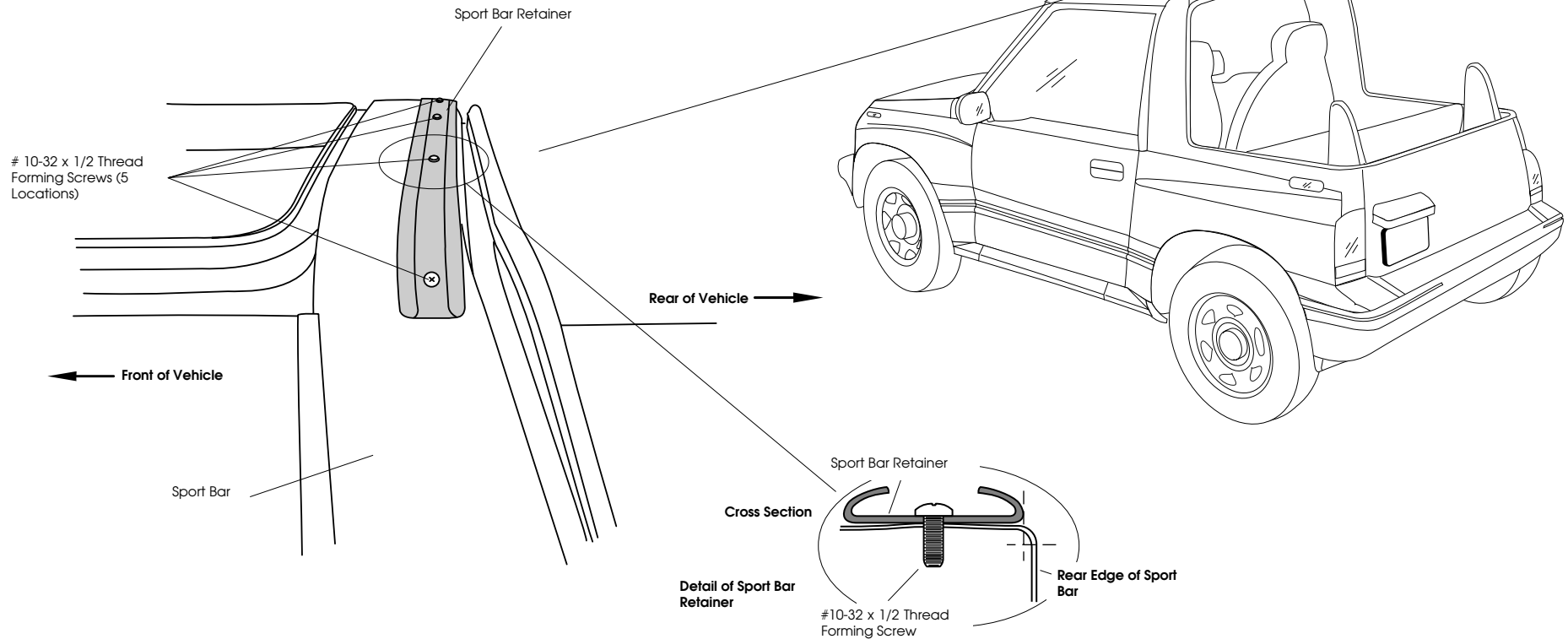
Warning: It is critical that this Sport Bar Retainer be installed properly to avoid water intrusion. Once installed properly, the retainer should never be removed.

Note: To remove the top, unlock the windshield retainer and open it back.



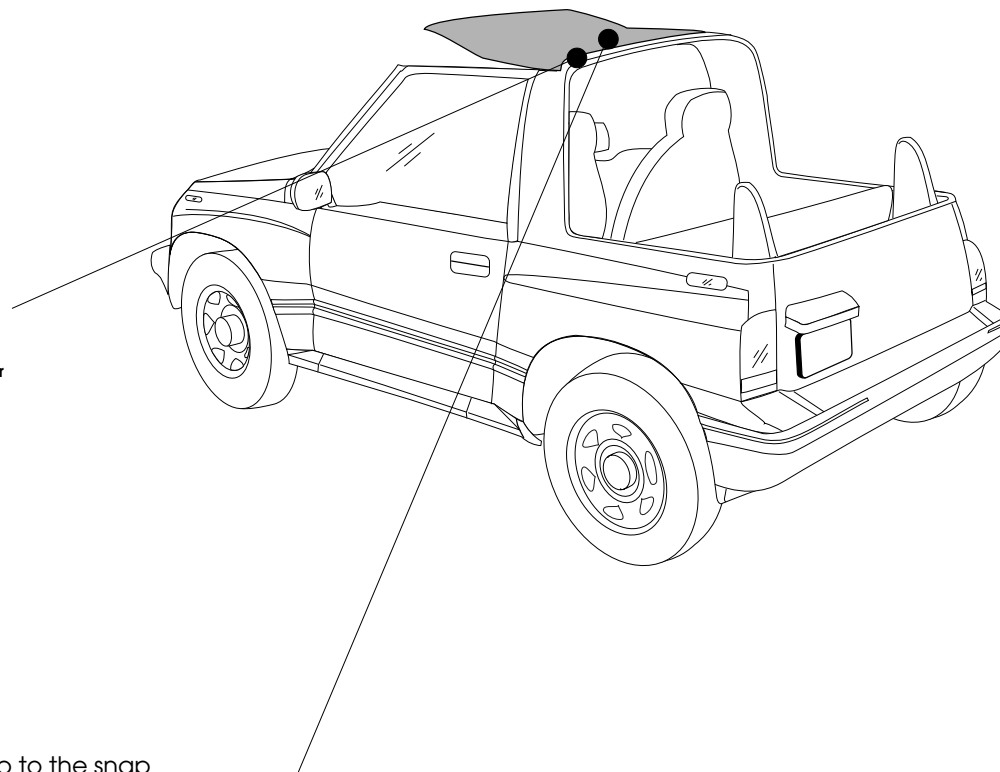
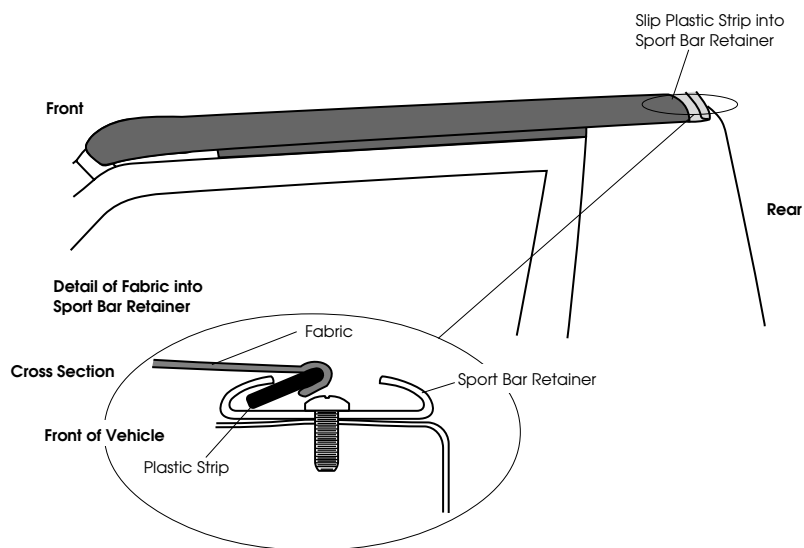
Step One

Remove the old top and orient the Sport Bar Retainer on the vehicle. Align the retainer with the rear edge of the Sport Bar. Use the retainer as a template to mark the locations of the five holes in the retainer. Center punch and drill five 5/32" holes at these locations. Install the Sport Bar Retainer using five #10-32 x 1/2" Thread Forming Screws.



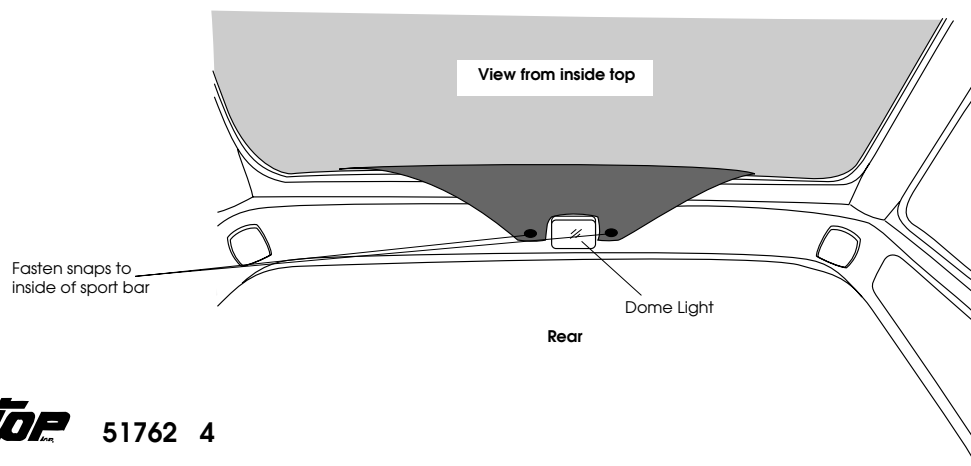
Step Two

Orient the Front Deck on the vehicle with the snap flap toward the rear. Locate the plastic strip sewn to the rear of the deck and slip it into the front channel of the Sport Bar Retainer, as illustrated.



Step Three

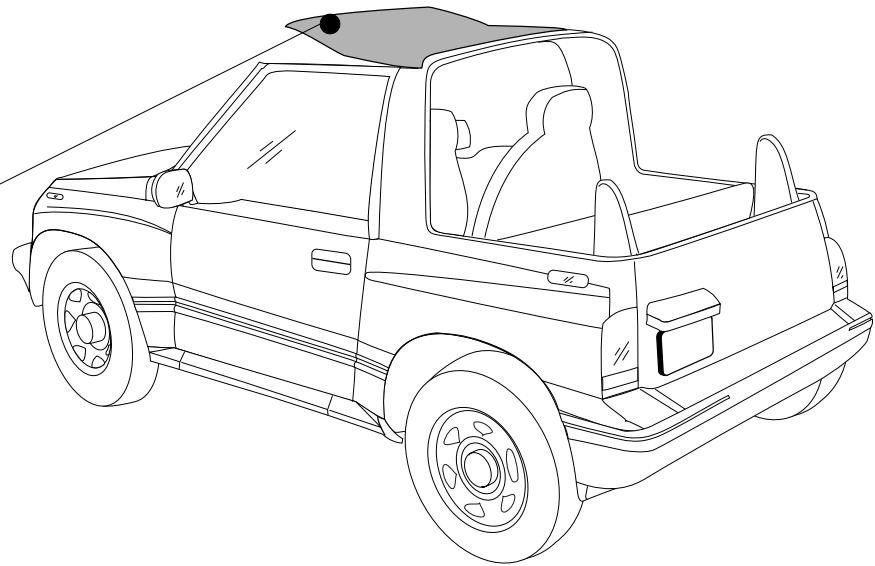
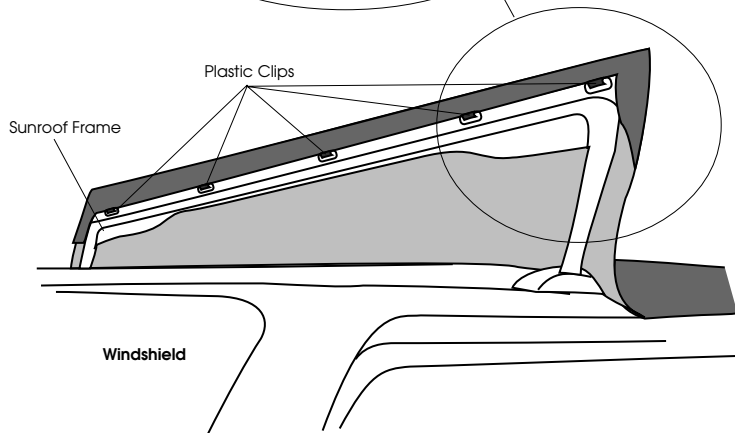
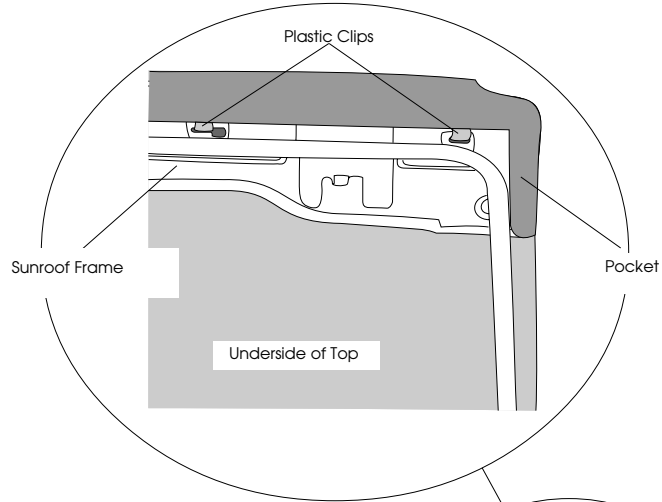
Fasten snaps inside top to the snap studs on either side of the dome light.



Before proceeding to Step 4, check the position of the front deck on the metal retainer to be certain that the deck is centered properly from side to side on the vehicle. This will insure proper fit and prevent possible damage to the soft deck assembly.

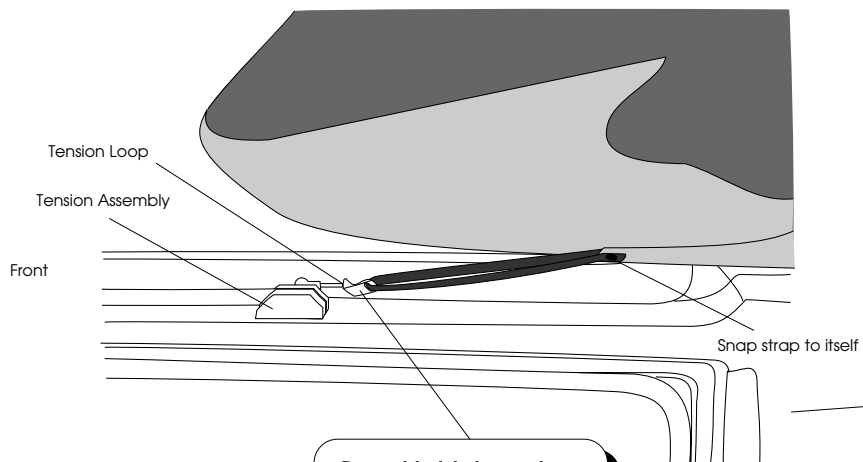
Step Four

Open the sunroof frame and pull the front deck assembly forward over the leading edge of the frame. Insert the corners of the frame into the fabric pockets located on both front corners of the deck assembly. Hook the five plastic clips in the deck assembly into the corresponding slots in the frame.



Step Five

Thread the black, nylon web strap sewn to the top above each of the doors through the loop on the tension assembly. Snap the straps back on themselves.



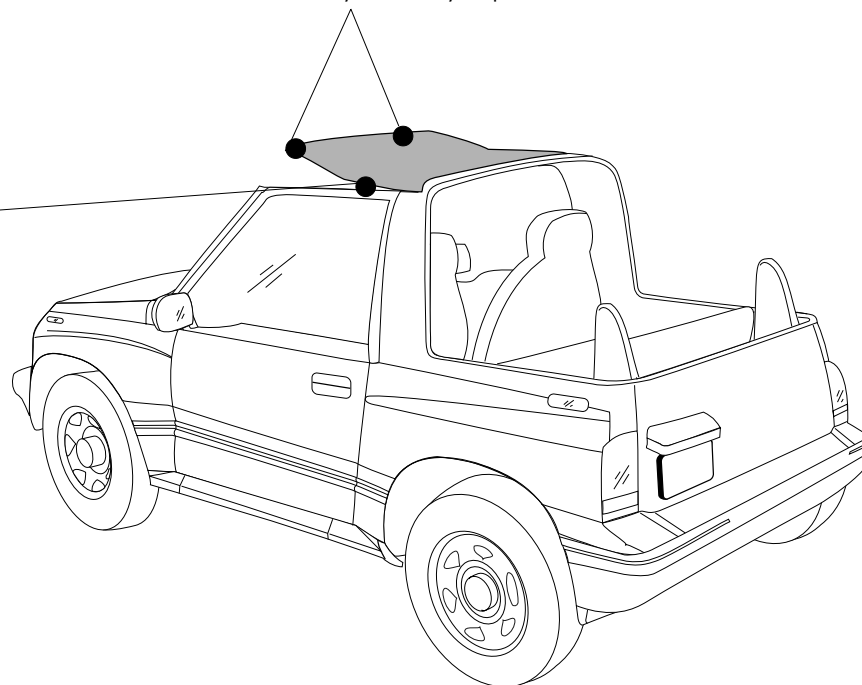
Do not twist strap when threading through loop

Warning: DO NOT attempt to open the Sunroof Assembly while the vehicle is in motion.

Special Note: If the plastic loop on the Tension Assembly is not functioning properly, has been broken, or is missing, this part should be replaced before completing the top installation. Failure to do so will cause the deck to move off center when the sunroof is opened or closed.

Step Six

Close and latch the Sunroof Assembly securely in place.

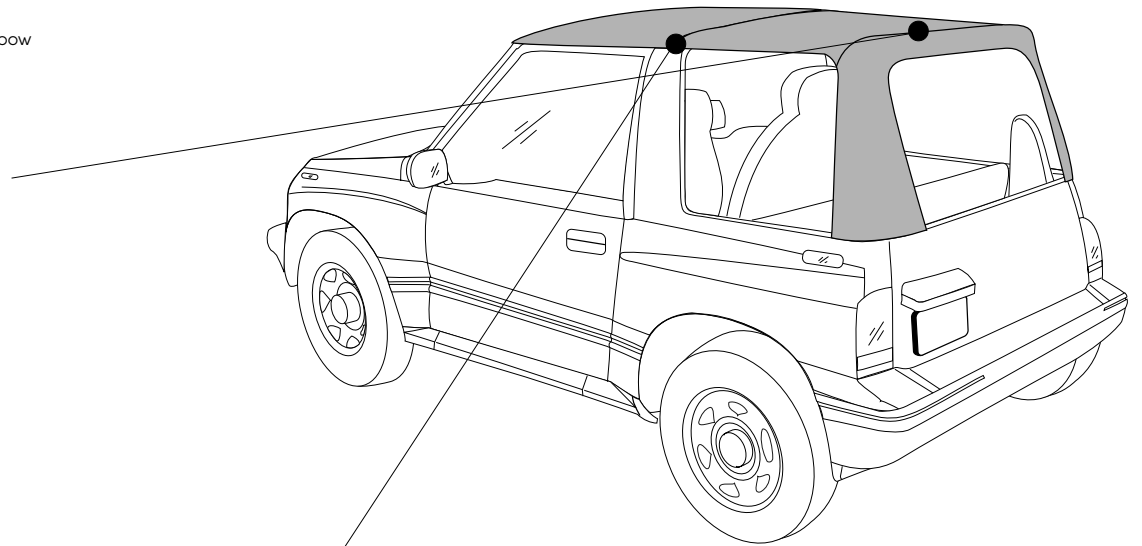
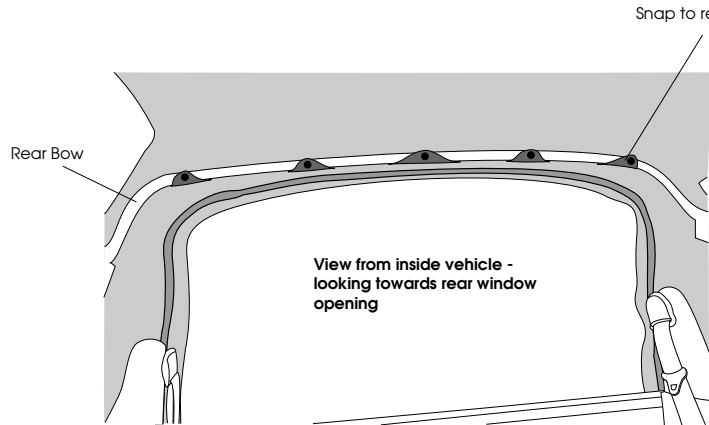


Please Inspect as Follows:

After the Sunroof Assembly has been closed and securely latched on both left and right sides, visually re-check the five plastic clips to insure that they are fully seated.

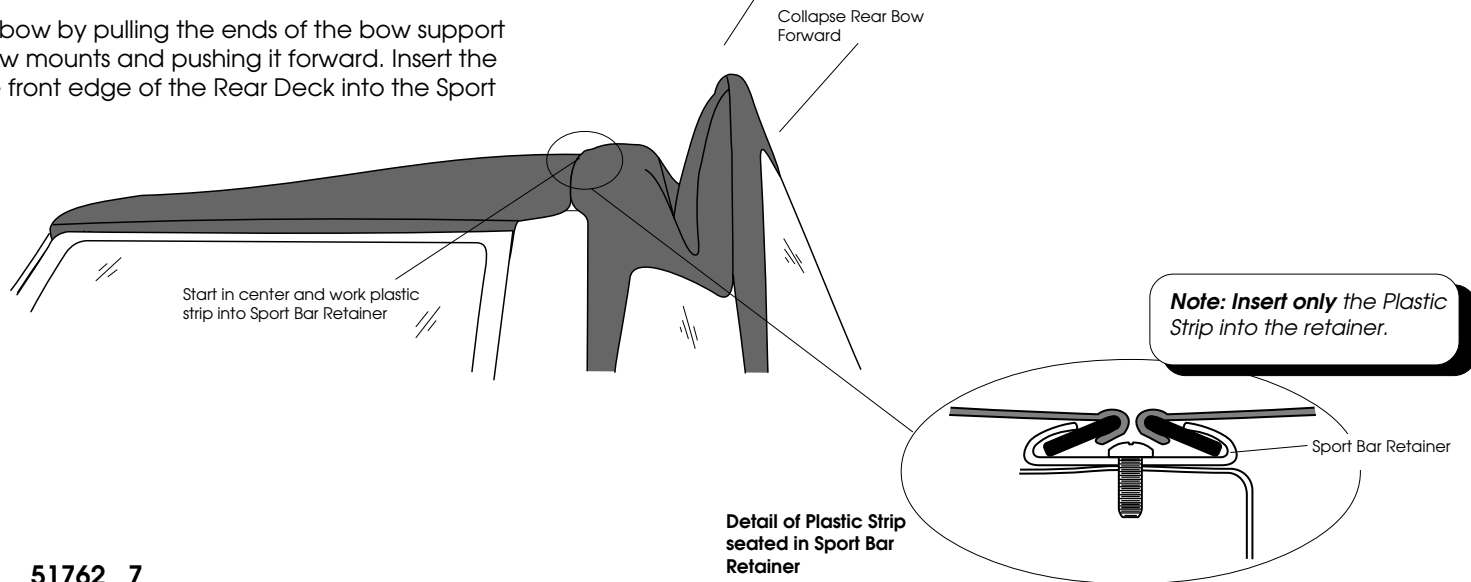
Step Seven

Orient the Rear Deck on the vehicle with the plastic strip toward the front. Drape the fabric over the rear bow and snap the top to the bow.



Step Eight

Collapse the rear bow by pulling the ends of the bow support rods out of the bow mounts and pushing it forward. Insert the plastic strip on the front edge of the Rear Deck into the Sport Bar Retainer.

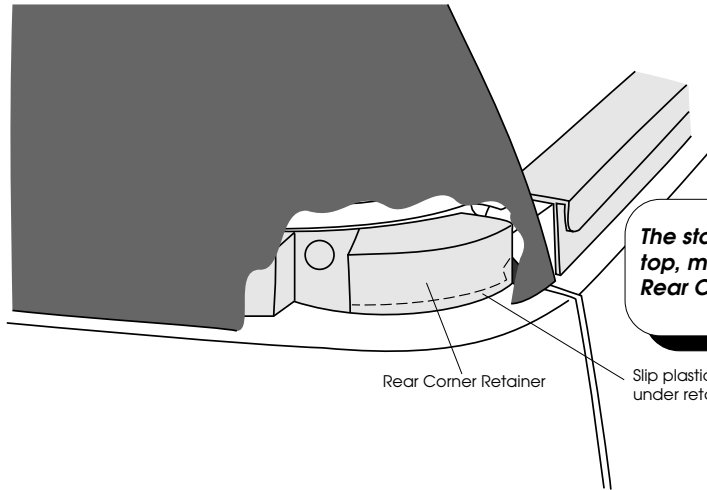
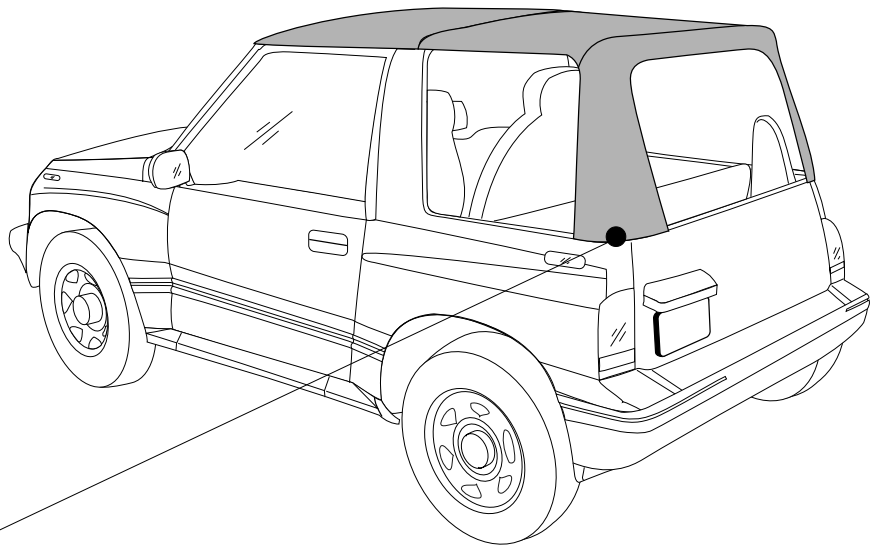




Before proceeding to Step 9, check the position of the rear deck on the metal retainer to be certain that the deck is centered properly from side to side on the vehicle. This will insure proper fit and prevent possible damage to the soft deck assembly.

Step Nine

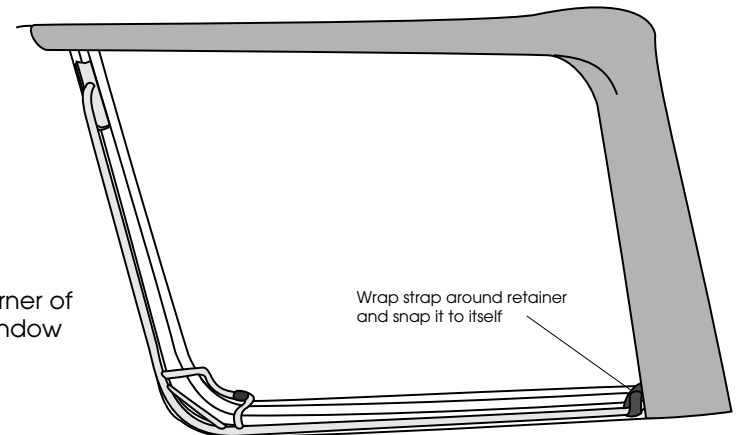
Resecure the bow support rod ends in the bow mounts. Slip the plastic clip in rear corner of top into the plastic corner retainer on vehicle.



The stop on the plastic clip, sewn to the top, must line up with the edge of the Rear Corner Retainer.

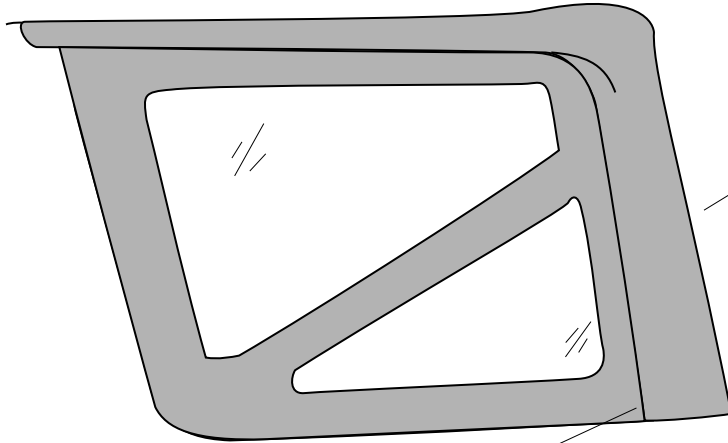
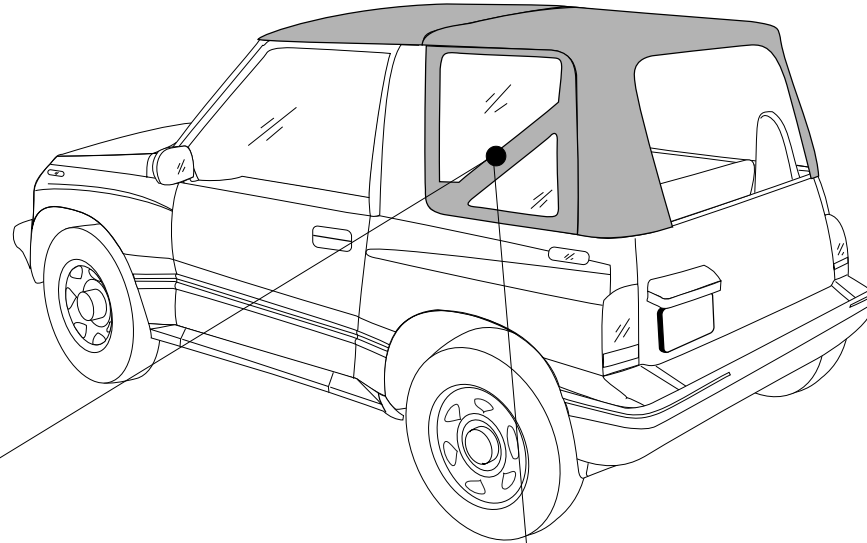
Step Ten

Locate the strap sewn to the rear corner of the deck. Wrap it around the side window frame and snap it to itself.

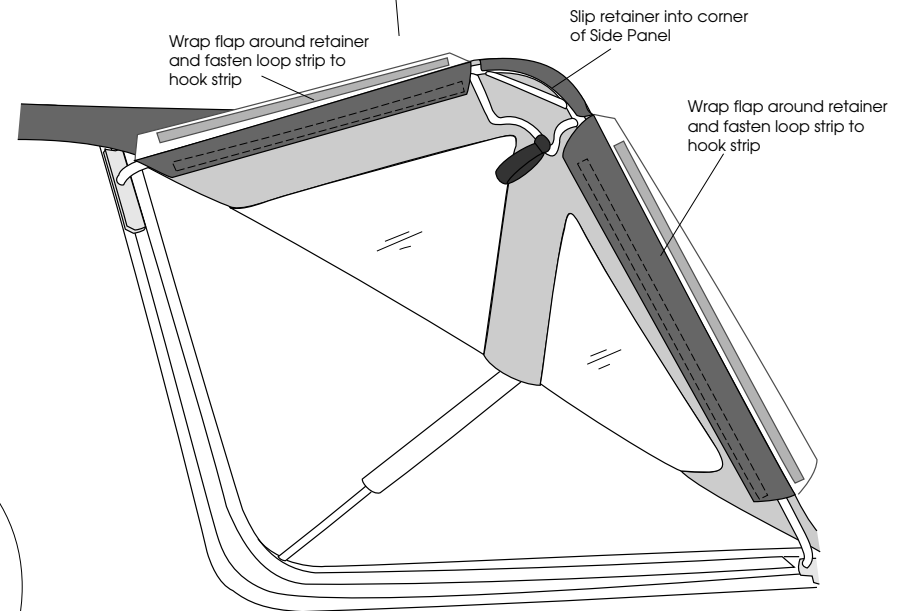


Step Eleven

Orient the Side Panels on each side of the vehicle with the zipper teeth to the top and rear of the panel. Start the zipper slider at the rear, bottom corner of the panel and zip the Side Panel into the deck, making sure that the flap is tucked under the zipper.

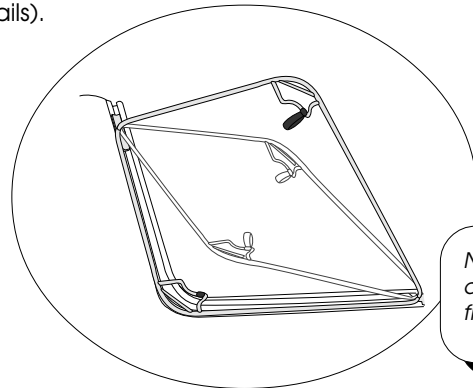


Start the zipper here



Step Twelve

Pull the Side Window Frame away from vehicle. Slip the corner of the Side Panel over the retainer. Wrap the flaps on the Side Panel around the retainer and fasten the loop strips to the hook strips (see illustrations for details).

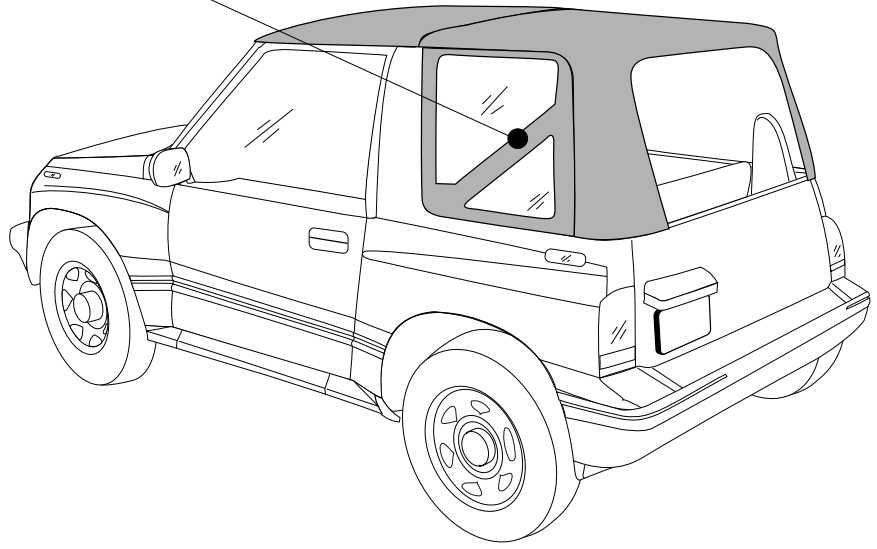
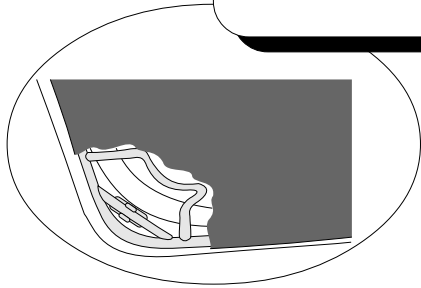
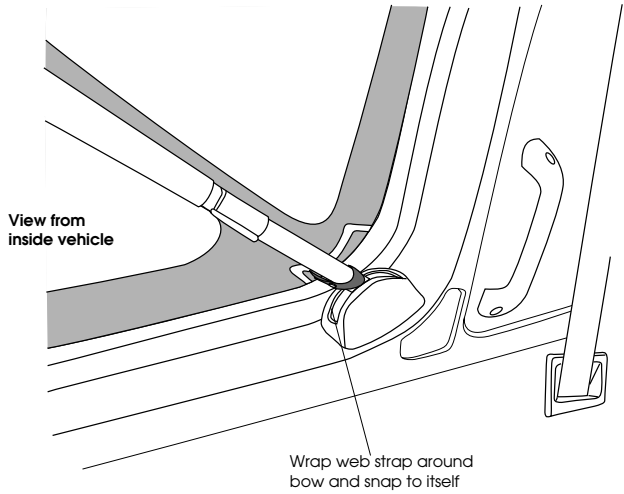


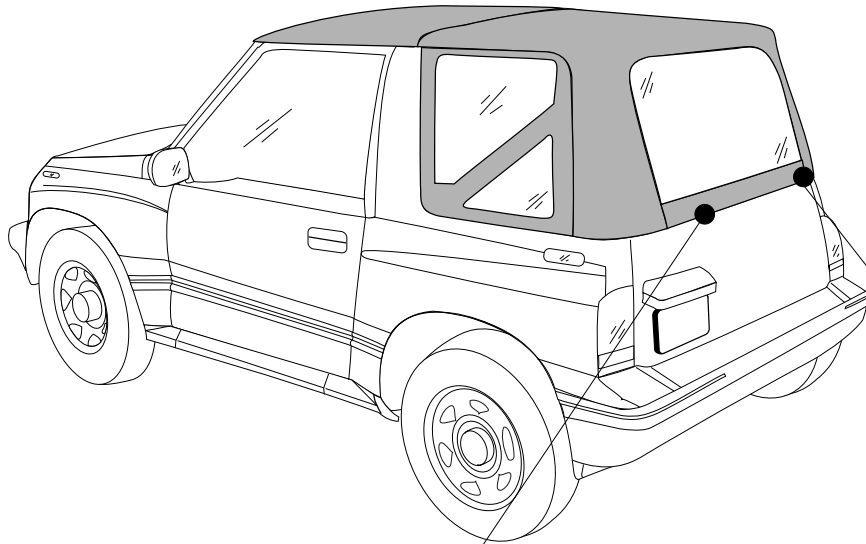
Note: To open Side Panel Retainer, pull out and up on the retainer to release it from the clip mounted to the body.

Step Thirteen

Clip the Side Window Frame into the bracket on the vehicle. Wrap the web strap on the retainer around the bow and snap the strap to itself.

Note: To close Side Panel Retainer, push the retainer into the clip mounted to the body.



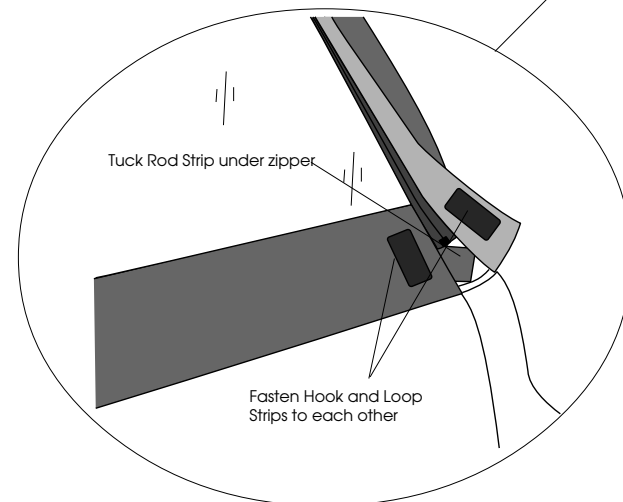
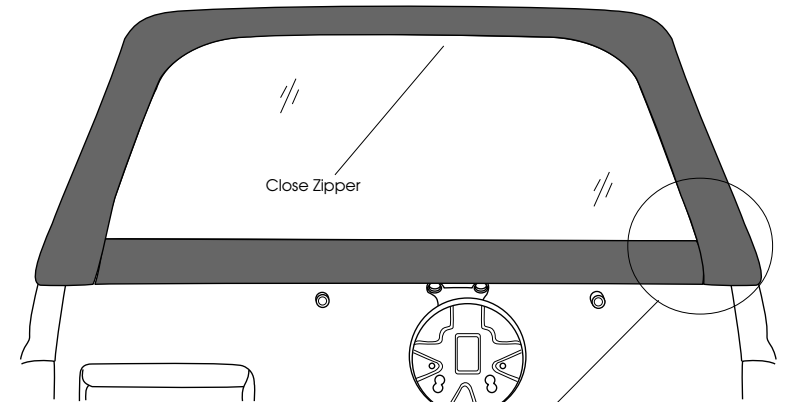
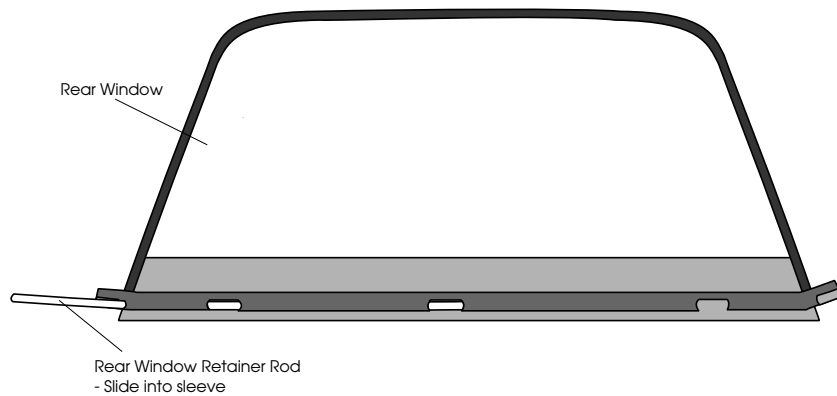


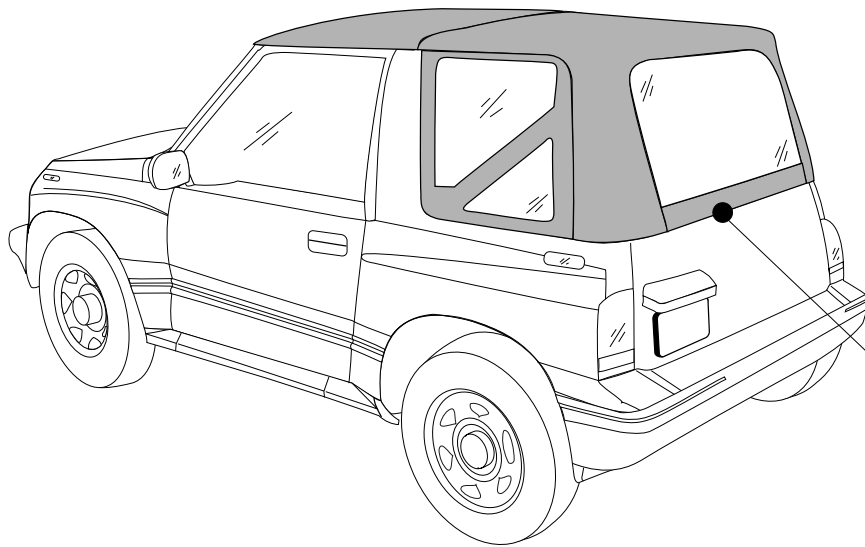
Step Fifteen

Starting the zipper on the right hand side, close the zipper on the Rear Window. Tuck the rod sleeve on the Rear Window under the zipper. Fasten the hook strips on the Side Panels to the loop strips on the Rear Window.

Step Fourteen

Remove the Rear Window Retainer Rod from the old top. Slip the rod into the sleeve along the bottom of the Rear Window.

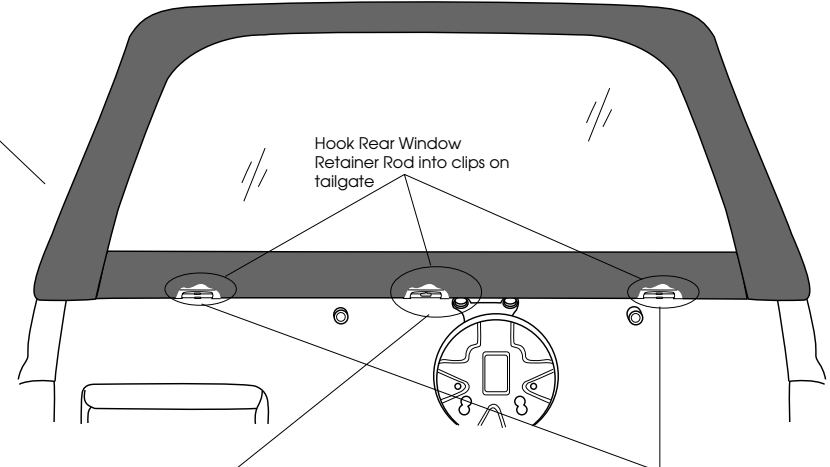




Step Sixteen

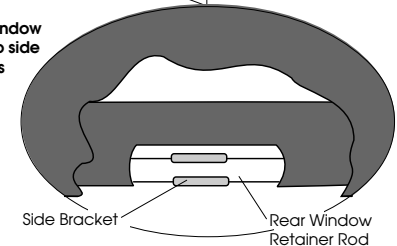
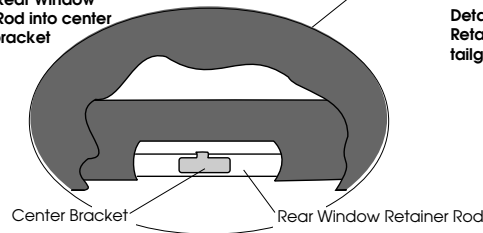
Hook the Rear Window Retainer Rod into the center bracket on the tailgate and then into the bracket on each side of the tailgate.

Note: For extra security when using the Rear Deck without the Rear Window, we recommend removing the rod from the Rear Window Assembly. Insert the rod ends into the small slits at both lower, rear deck corners. Clip the rod into place on the tailgate. Check the rod to make sure that it is centered from left to right.



Detail of Rear Window Retainer Rod into center tailgate bracket

Detail of Rear Window Retainer Rod into side tailgate brackets



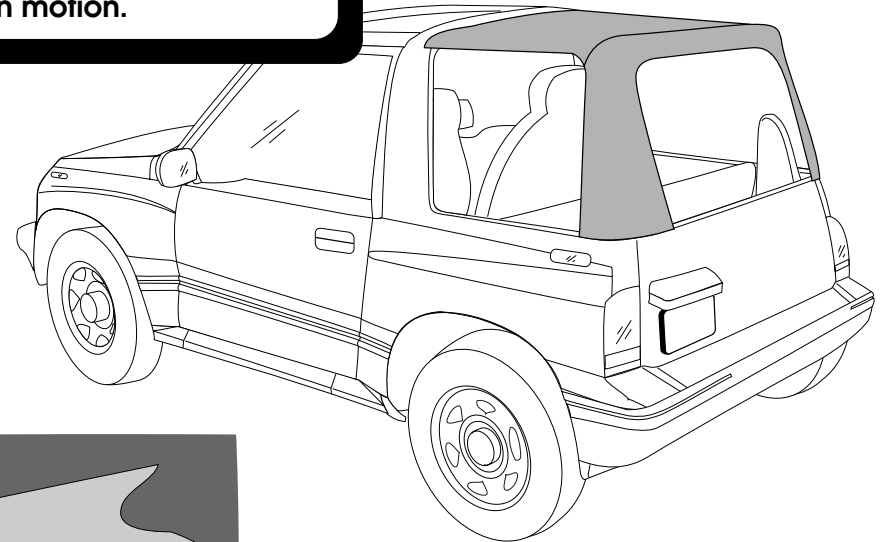
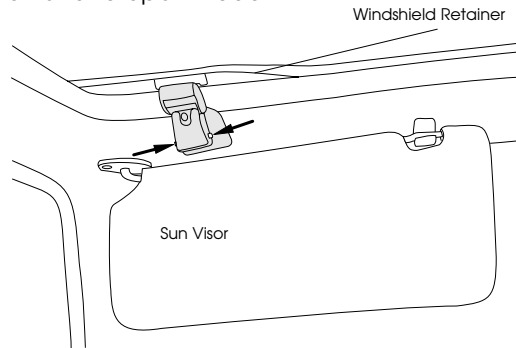
The installation of your SUNPORT soft top is now complete. The following pages contain important information concerning the removal and re-installation of the front and rear deck assemblies as well as ordering information for replacement parts. We suggest that you keep the complete instruction set in the glove box of your vehicle.

**To Remove the Front Deck with
the Rear Deck in place:**

**Warning: DO NOT attempt to raise
the Windshield Retainer while the
vehicle is in motion.**

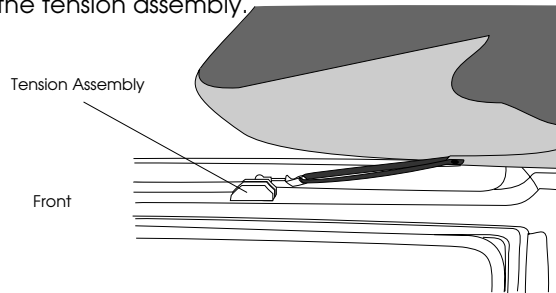
Step One

Unlock the windshield
retainer and open it back.



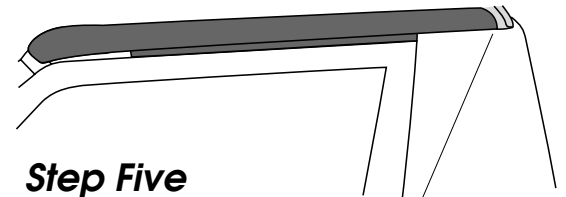
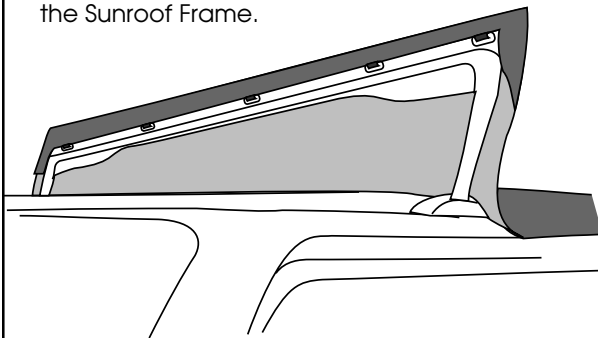
Step Two

Release the strap from
the tension assembly.



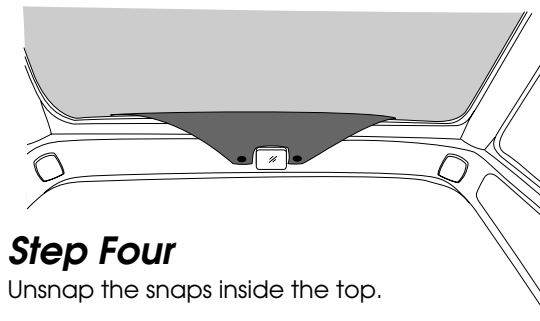
Step Three

Carefully remove the five plastic clips from
the Sunroof Frame.



Step Five

Pull the plastic strip out of the Sport Bar retainer
at the corner. Do not slide or pull the plastic strip
towards the side of the vehicle. Pull the strip
back and up to release it from the channel.



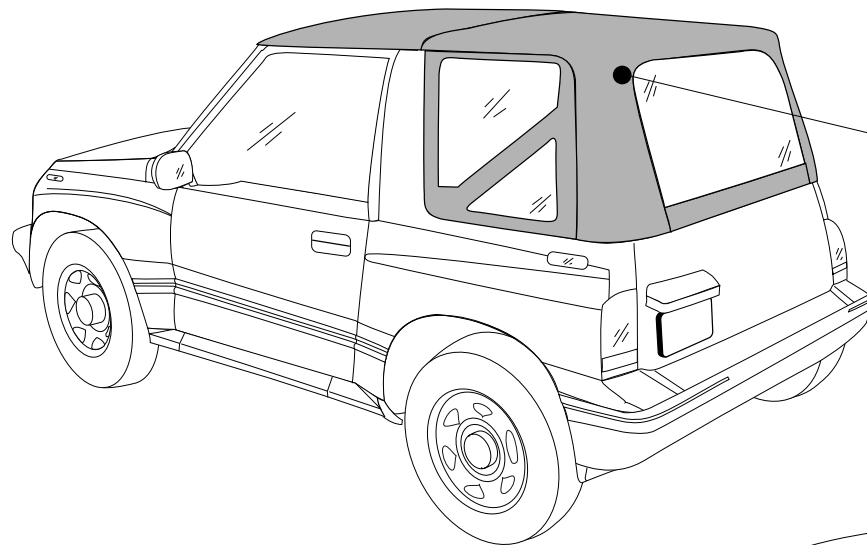
Step Four

Unsnap the snaps inside the top.

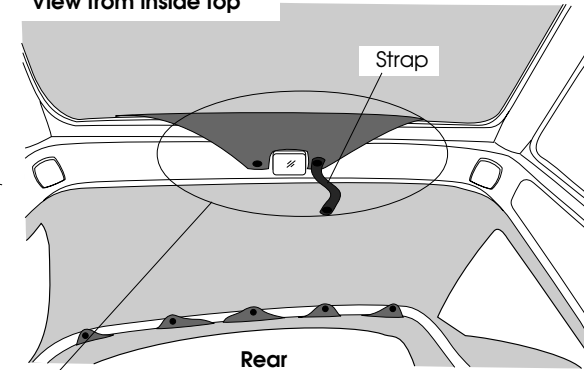
*To properly re-install the Front Deck Assembly
simply reverse the five steps. However, take
particular note again to be certain that the
deck assembly is centered properly on the
metal retainer.*

To Use the Sunroof:

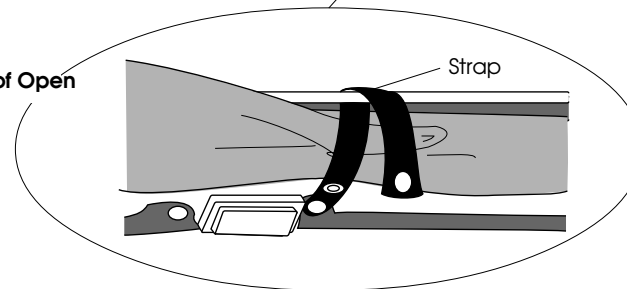
Unlock the Windshield Retainer and open it back. Fold the fabric underneath the Windshield Retainer, between the Sport Bar and the Retainer. Use the Sunroof Retention Strap, included in the parts kit to secure the sunroof when it is open. Snap the end of the strap, with the button and stud, to the stud on the left side of the dome light. Slip the other end of the strap through the slot opening at the front of the Windshield Retainer. Pull the strap back and snap it to itself.



View from inside top



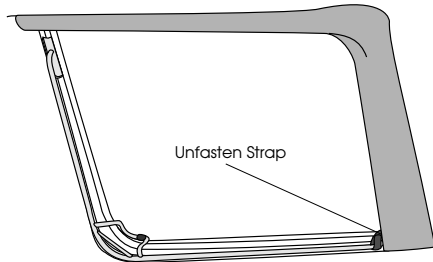
Sun Roof Open



To Remove the Rear Deck with the Front Deck in place:

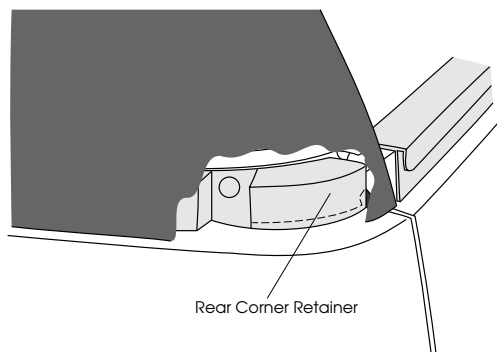
Step One

Before removing the Rear Deck Assembly, we strongly recommend removing both Quarter Windows and the Rear Window. The windows should be stacked flat with a soft protective material between the soft glass panels. This window stock can be stored between the rear seat back and the tailgate if inclement weather is expected.



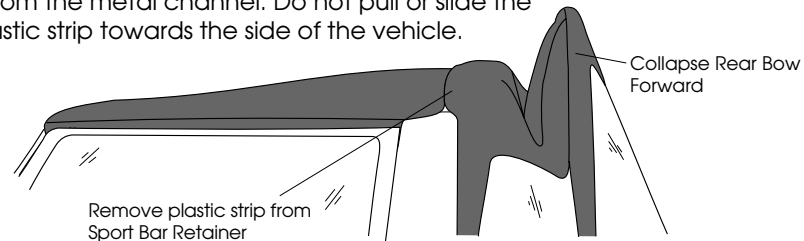
Step Two

Unhook the rear corners of the deck from the corner retainer.



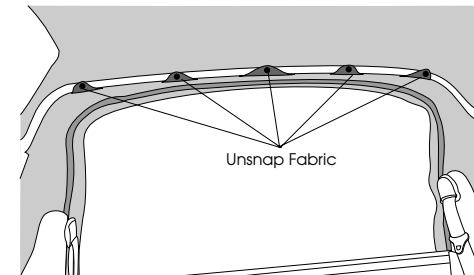
Step Three

Release the bow from the bow mount and push the bow forward. Pull the plastic forward and up to unseat it from the metal channel. Do not pull or slide the plastic strip towards the side of the vehicle.



Step Four

Unsnap fabric from rear bow.



Rear Deck may be used with or without Side Panels and Rear Window.

Note: For extra security when using the Rear Deck without the Rear Window, we recommend removing the rod from the Rear Window Assembly. Insert the rod ends into the small slits at both lower, rear deck corners. Clip the rod into place on the tailgate. Check the rod to make sure that it is centered from left to right.

Note: Reattach the strap on the Quarter Panel Retainer around the bows.

SUNPORT Replacement Parts

We suggest that consumers order replacement parts from their soft top supplier. However, if parts are not available, we will be happy to assist you in any way possible.

Under some circumstances it may be necessary to ship replacement parts directly from our factory. All information concerning replacement parts for the SUNPORT Top #51762 appear below:

Assembly Part #	Description	Color
272.46	Front Deck Assembly	Grey
272.47	Front Deck Assembly	Black
272.48	Front Deck Assembly	White
272.58	Left Quarter Window	Grey
272.59	Left Quarter Window	Black
272.60	Left Quarter Window	White
272.55	Right Quarter Window	Grey
272.56	Right Quarter Window	Black
272.57	Right Quarter Window	White
272.61	*Rear Window	Grey
272.62	*Rear Window	Black
272.63	*Rear Window	White

*Price includes surface shipping cost to all locations within the contiguous 48 states. Please allow 1 to 2 weeks for delivery.

*Rear Window Replacement assemblies do not include the 48" plastic rod required for attachment to the vehicle tailgate. If the rod is missing or broken, it must be purchased from your Soft Top Supplier or Vehicle Dealership Parts Department.

Ordering Tips:

- a.) Call 1-800-845-3567
- b.) Have credit card number and expiration date ready (we accept Visa, MasterCard and Discovery).
Parts are made to order. Allow 2 weeks for shipment.
- c.) Provide full shipping address (no P.O. Boxes).
Provide home and/or business telephone number.



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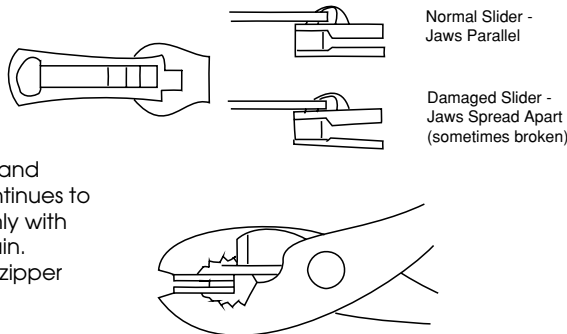
Care and Maintenance of your Bestop Top

Your top is made of the finest materials available. To keep it looking new and for the maximum possible wear, it will need periodic cleaning and maintenance.

Washing: The top fabric should be washed often using soap, warm water and a soft bristle brush. Rinse with clear water to remove all traces of soap.

Windows: Keep windows clean to avoid scratching. DO NOT use a brush on the windows! Wash with a watersoaked cloth or sponge and a mild dishwashing detergent. NEVER WIPE THE WINDOWS WHEN THEY ARE DRY. Be careful when cleaning snow or frost from the vinyl windows since they are easily scratched and may crack at low temperatures. DO NOT roll the sides or rear window in cold weather. The windows become stiff and will crack.

Zippers: Keeping the zipper cleaned and lubricated with a silicone lubricant will help prevent damage and keep the zippers in a smooth working condition. If a zipper opens behind the slider, the slider may have been spread apart. This problem can usually be repaired by using an ordinary pair of pliers to bring the sides back into parallel. Return slider to the end of the zipper in the normal Open position. Squeeze lightly at first and test the zipper. If the zipper continues to remain open squeeze more firmly with the pliers and try the zipper again. Repeat this procedure until the zipper operates correctly.



Water: Seeping through at the seams may be stopped by applying 3-M Scotchgard® on the inside of the seams. Rips in the fabric may be repaired with Bondex® iron on patches. Iron the patches to the Inside of the top, carefully following the Bondex® instructions.

Snaps: Keep snaps cleaned and lubricated with silicone to help prevent snaps from sticking to the studs. If a snap does become stuck to a stud, use a screwdriver and GENTLY pry apart to prevent permanent damage to the snap or the top fabric.

LIMITED WARRANTY

We warrant our product to be free from defects in material and workmanship, for the terms specified below, provided there has been normal use and proper maintenance. This warranty applies to the original purchaser only. All remedies under this warranty are limited to the repair or replacement of any item or items found by the factory to be defective within the time period specified.

If you have a warranty claim, first you must call our factory at the number below for instructions. You must retain proof of purchase and submit a copy with any items returned for warranty work. Upon completion of warranty work, if any, we will return the repaired or replaced item or items to you freight prepaid. Damage to our products caused by accidents, fire, vandalism, negligence, misinstallation, misuse, Acts of God, or by defective parts not manufactured by us, is not covered under this warranty.

THE WARRANTY TIME PERIOD IS AS FOLLOWS: ALL "SOFT GOODS" MANUFACTURED BY OUR COMPANY (USING PRIMARILY VINYL, PLASTICS, AND/OR FOAM): ONE YEAR FROM DATE OF PURCHASE.

ANY IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND/OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE CREATED HEREBY ARE LIMITED IN DURATION TO THE SAME DURATION AND SCOPE AS THE EXPRESS WRITTEN WARRANTY. OUR COMPANY SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ANY INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGE.

Some states do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, or the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitations or exclusions may not apply to you.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

For further information or request for warranty work, please contact:

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