

# **Component Procedures: Convertible Top Weatherstrip**

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## Folding Top Side Front Weatherstrip Replacement (Article 13143)

### Callout Component Name

1 Folding Top Side Front Weatherstrip Procedure Before removing the weatherstrip mark the front edge of the retainer to the weatherstrip for reinstalling. Remove the weatherstrip by grasping the front corner, pull downward releasing weatherstrip from the retainer. Install the weatherstrip by inserting the rear edge of the weatherstrip to the retainer, work the weatherstrip forward until fully seated. Note: Water test the side that was repair to ensure no water leaks.

### Procedure

- Before removing the weatherstrip mark the front edge of the retainer to the weatherstrip for reinstalling.
- Remove the weatherstrip by grasping the front corner, pull downward releasing weatherstrip from the retainer.
- Install the weatherstrip by inserting the rear edge of the weatherstrip to the retainer, work the weatherstrip forward until fully seated.

## Folding Top Side Rear Weatherstrip Replacement (Article 13146)

### Callout Component Name

1 Folding Top Side Rear Weatherstrip Procedure Mark the top edge of the weatherstrip and weatherstrip retainer to assist in the alignment when installing. Remove the top part of the weatherstrip slowly from the weatherstrip retainer, the side tension cable goes through the top edge of the weatherstrip. Remove the side tension cable end from the side rail link only, Do Not remove the side tension cable from the folding top cover. Refer to Folding Top Cover Side Tension Cable Replacement . When installing the side tension cable end in the side rail link, use a small piece of masking tape to assist in holding the end of the side tension cable in the side rail link hole. When install the weatherstrip into the weatherstrip retainer, insert the lower rear edge of the weatherstrip into the weatherstrip retainer first, work the weatherstrip upward in the retainer until fully seated. Note: Water test the side that was repair to ensure no water leaks.

### Procedure

- Mark the top edge of the weatherstrip and weatherstrip retainer to assist in the alignment when installing.
- Remove the top part of the weatherstrip slowly from the weatherstrip retainer, the side tension cable goes through the top edge of the weatherstrip.
- Remove the side tension cable end from the side rail link only, Do Not remove the side tension cable from the folding top cover. Refer to Folding Top Cover Side Tension Cable Replacement .
- When installing the side tension cable end in the side rail link, use a small piece of masking tape to assist in holding the end of the side tension cable in the side rail link hole.
- When install the weatherstrip into the weatherstrip retainer, insert the lower rear edge of the weatherstrip into the weatherstrip retainer first, work the weatherstrip upward in the retainer until fully seated.

## Folding Top Rear Seal Replacement (Article 13142)

### Removal Procedure

- Place all the windows in the full down position.
- Do not remove the folding top from the vehicle, place the folding top in a halfway open position.
- Number 5 bow should be in full view to remove the folding top rear seal.
- Start on the left side (Driver Side) corner pull upward on the rear seal releasing it from the retaining edge of the number 5 bow.
- Remove the folding top rear seal (1). [Click for full-size image](#)

### Installation Procedure

- Install the rear seal (1) to the number 5 bow (2). [Click for full-size image](#)
- Align the center marks (3 ,4 ) of the number 5 bow (2) and rear seal (1), use the marks in step 3 of this procedure if needed.
- Start in the center of the number 5 bow, working left to right. [Click for full-size image](#)
- Install the folding top rear seal (1) into the retaining edge (2) of the track of the number 5 bow (3).
- Work the folding top rear seal (1) back and forth in a rocking motion this will assist in fully seating the rear seal in the track (2).
- Place the folding top in the lock position and check for appearance and fit.
- Inspect the front edge of the folding top to windshield upper frame for a good seal.
- Water test the vehicle to ensure a proper water tight seal.