



Fitting Instructions for the Ford Next Gen Ranger XL, XLS and XLT models FULL Front Neoprene Seat Covers with map pocket





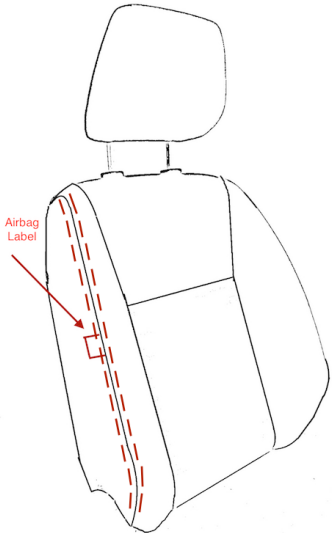
Due to the airbags incorporated in the vehicles seating, for your safety, it is extremely important that you read this entire document, prior to fitting the seat covers. Our customer's safety is the most important thing to us, so If you have any specific questions or troubles fitting the seat cover, please contact us first, as we are more than willing to assist with any enquiry.

Important things to know PRIOR to fitment:

a) When fitting the seat cover over the backrest section – It is very important that you aren't too rough in the fitment (particularly on the airbag panels). You should carefully lower the cover at the same rate. If one side is drastically favoured when fitted, it will stretch the opposing panel, which may potentially tear the seat covers special airbag stitching, which has been designed specifically for airbag safety / deployment. If needing to re-position the seat cover, please make sure you pinch the seam and re-adjust, not pull the seat cover.

Fitting Instructions – A step by step guide

	<p>Step 1) Remove front headrests from the seats</p>
	<p>Step 2) Turn the neoprene headrest cover inside out and place on the headrest.</p>

<p>'Rolling on'</p>  <p>Front View</p>  <p>Rear View</p> 	<p>Step 3) Roll the headrest cover onto the headrest (the headrest cover should no longer be inside out). The 'Feature thread' should be facing the front. The back sewn thread facing the rear – As per the photos to the left.</p>
	<p>Step 4) Secure the touch tape tabs</p>
	<p>Step 5) Place the headrest safely to one side – It will be re-fitted later on</p>
	<p>Step 6) Gently place the seat cover over the backrest section. You should carefully lower the cover at the same rate. If one side is drastically favoured when fitted, it will stretch the opposing panel, which may potentially tear the seat covers special stitching, which has been designed specifically for airbag safety / deployment.</p>

	<p>Step 6 CONTINUED) Please ensure that our 'Airbag seam' is closely aligned to the original seats 'Airbag seam'. If you need to re-align the seat cover seam in any way, please do so by 'pinching' the 2 panels together and maneuvering the seat cover airbag panels to the correct position. Don't pull the panels across for re-alignment, as this could potentially tear the airbag seam.</p> <p>PLEASE NOTE: In the Next Gen Ranger there are actually dual airbag seams (not one, like pictured)</p>
	<p>Step 7) The holes that have been created in the seat cover should be tucked under the plastic housing, as per the photos. Start at the front of the plastic and then work your way back.</p> 
	<p>Step 8) Once the backrest section has been correctly fitted you can now move onto fitting the CUSHION SECTION. THIS IS A CRITICAL STEP. IF IT IS NOT FITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BELOW STEPS, THE COVER WILL SIT TOO FAR FORWARD AND WILL BE LOOSE.</p> <p>INCORRECT FITMENT EXAMPLE - AS PER THE PHOTO TO THE LEFT</p> <p>In Step 9 and beyond, you'll see the correct fitment steps to ensure that it fits / sits correctly.</p>



Step 9) **Cushion Fitment – CORRECT FITMENT.** Start off by aligning the seat cover at the front of the cushion (**THIS IS A CRITICAL STEP**). The twin needle stitching should be aligned as per the photos to the left / below, not too low down (like we saw in step 8). When fitted correctly, there will be bunching up of the neoprene towards the backrest section. The excess neoprene will be rectified in Step 10.



Step 10) Once the backrest section is correctly fitted you can then push the dowel pocket through the gap between the cushion and the backrest. **The first illustration to the left** indicates the gap in which the dowel pocket should be pushed through.

It's easiest to push the excess neoprene through the gap when the seat is folded as far back as possible (towards the rear seat). **There may be a pole in between the gap that you need to navigate around when pushing the dowel pocket through the gap. So please be careful of this.**



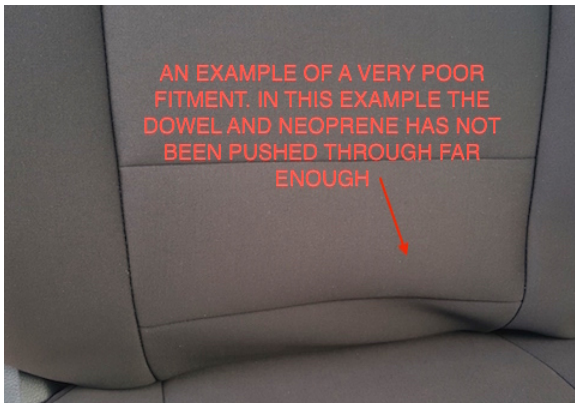
The illustration to the left indicates how the dowel and excess neoprene should be pushed through.



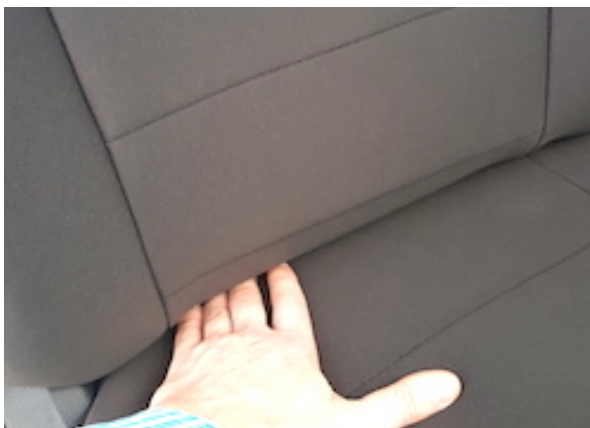
You can also pull the dowel pocket through the gap from behind the front seat, as per the picture to the left. Be careful not to be too aggressive with pulling the dowel pocket, as you may tear the neoprene if too forceful.



ONCE the above steps have been followed you should then raise the seat cover back to the upright position. You may then need to do a minor tidy up of the cover to have it looking nice and tailored.



The illustration to the left showcases a very poorly fitted seat cover. If there is too much 'bunching up' of material at the backrest section (also in addition to the cushion section) it means that you have not tucked enough of the excess neoprene through the gap between the cushion and the backrest. Our seat covers have been specially designed so that the seat cover can still be in operation / comfortable when the seats are fully reclined, which is why it is important to tuck the neoprene through the gap, when the seats are in an upright position.



The illustration to the left showcases a perfectly fitted seat cover. In this example a suitable amount of the dowel / seat cover has been tucked through the gap.



Step 10) **CUSHION FITMENT** – To ensure that the cover is fitted correctly there should be no exposed material showing. In the photo to left, more of the excess neoprene needs to be fed through so there is no material showing. The “ears” of the seat cover should also slot nicely into a little gap within the plastic and the original trim.




Step 11) There is a small point when fitting the cushion section, in which it becomes very tight to fit (see photo to the left). We suggest, using a small blunt object, such as a ruler to push the neoprene through this gap.

The photo below, shows correct fitment of the seat cover.



Step 12) Some models have carpet near the map pocket area. If so, remove the protective touch tape that we have affixed to seat cover, so that you can then stick the velcro to the carpet.

	<p>Step 12) Refit Headrest</p>
	<p>If fitted correctly your seat cover should look like this. The critical element is pushing enough of the excess neoprene and dowel through the gap of the cushion and backrest section.</p> 

Removal of the Seat Cover – Special Considerations

- 1) Ensure that you carefully remove the dowel from in-between the backrest and the cushion. This can be done by evenly pulling the material through on the left hand and right hand side. Failure to do so carefully could harm or tear the material. Warranty claims will not be accepted for tears to this region, as this is a fitment error, not material failure.
- 2) When removing the backrest portion, you should carefully raise the cover at the same rate. If one side is drastically favoured when removed, it will stretch the opposing panel, which may potentially tear the seat covers

special stitching, which has been designed specifically for airbag safety / deployment. Warranty claims will not be accepted for tears to this region, as this is a fitment error, not material / stitch failure.

- 3) Removal of the headrest cover – Once the headrest has been removed from the seat, simply follow Steps 4, 3 and 2 (in this order) – rolling off the material from the headrest. Once removed, please ensure that touch tape tabs are then secured – This will prevent any damage / fraying of threads, as a result of the touch tape sticking to the threads on the seat cover

On-going Maintenance / Care Instructions / Safety Instructions

- 1) Please use a warm cloth to remove any dirt or grime from the seat cover. Please then allow the seat cover to naturally dry.
- 2) Excessive vacuuming can have an impact on neoprene's laminated scrim. Whilst our neoprene is a car company specification neoprene, excessive vacuuming may shorten the life of the product. IT IS STRONGLY suggested that you don't vacuum anywhere near the airbag seams / panels. This may lead to the airbag seams breaking. You should also not vacuum the twin needle stitching as this can pull the thread away.
- 3) On an on-going basis you should check to see that the seat cover is correctly positioned over the original seats 'airbag seam'.
- 4) In the event of the seats airbags deploying, the covers must not be re-used. Don't attempt to re-sew / re-stitch the panels, as this could result in serious injury or death.

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