

## MGF & MG TF MOULDED CARPET SETS FITTING INSTRUCTIONS

Tools required :- Torx no. 50 spanner-Phillips & flat screwdrivers-sharp knife-Contact adhesive-8mm socket

FOR YOUR SAFETY, DISCONNECT THE BATTERY BEFORE PROCEEDING.

### Removal of seats

We suggest you remove the headrests initially. Pull the headrest up and twist the two plastic caps where the headrest stalks enter the seat. The headrest will lift out. The seats are held to the floor by four TORX bolts (Size no.50). Slide the seat fully back, this will allow you to see the front bolts. When removed, slide the seat fully forward to give sight of the two rear bolts. Slide the seat to its mid position, tilt the backrest to the upright position. Push the backrest to allow the front of the seat to lift off the floor. Unplug the SRS connector under the seat. Carefully lift the seat to rest the outer two feet on the rubber draught excluder. Undo the Torx bolt (No. 50) to release the seat belt from the side of the seat frame. Lift the seat from the car.

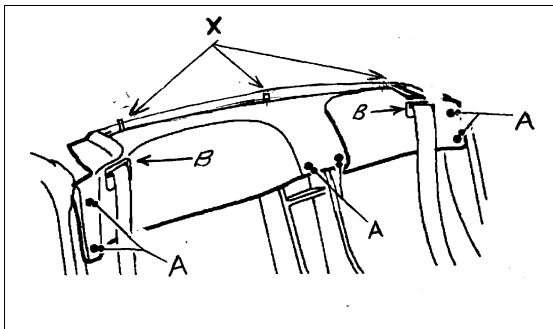
**Removal of Cubby boxes**—Lift the lower lid and remove the plastic tray. You will have exposed two screws that hold the front part of the hinge. If you then lower the top lid there is a further two screws. Remove these screws to release this assembly.

### Removal of “T” bar assembly

Fold the hood frame back onto the rear shelf.

Remove the three screws (X) holding the hood roll cover attachments on top of the “T” bar.

Under the “T” bar there are six plastic clips holding the bar in place (A). By pulling the end of the bar gently towards the front of the car, these clips will release. The two centre clips will release in the same direction. Lift the hood frame slightly and the bar will come away, at the same time threading the seat belt through the square holes at either end. Lift the “T” bar up and lay it on top of the folded hood frame. You will see a white alarm sensor – release the two holding screws and you will expose two further screws underneath which hold the upper console in place.



**Removal of rear Bulkhead carpet** – This carpet is held in place by eight plastic clip screws plus four push in clips. Lever out the four push in clips, which are located at the outside edges of the carpet. Use a flat-ended screwdriver to unscrew the other larger clips. Release the door draught excluder as well, as this holds the outer edges of the carpet in place.

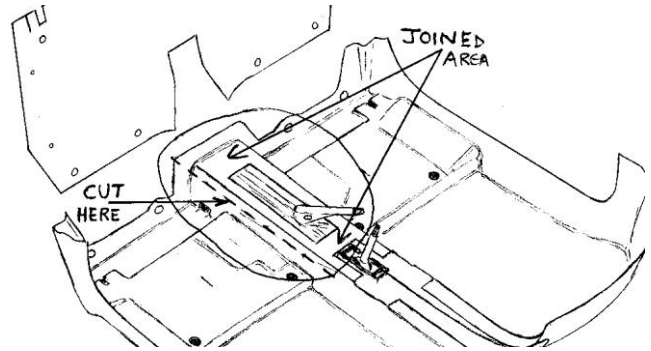
### Removal of front carpets – MGF MK.I and 2000 models NOT MG TF

On RHD cars there is a metal footrest on the left of the clutch pedal, which needs removing. It is held in place by 8mm bolts.

On these earlier models, each side of the cockpit had its own separate moulded carpet. The carpet sides are held in place with Velcro attached to both the body and the back of the carpet. Peel the carpet free of the body. Do not worry if the Velcro comes away as it will not be used again. Just below the hand brake lever, you will see a screw holding the side of the console, which needs removing. Note that the carpet runs underneath the centre console panel. Pull the carpet from underneath the console. Underneath the dash area, you will see more plastic clip screws, which need removing as before. When all edges are free you can remove the carpet complete. Make sure the seat belt tension wire is not damaged at this point.

## Removal of front carpets –MG TF Chassis number from 620549

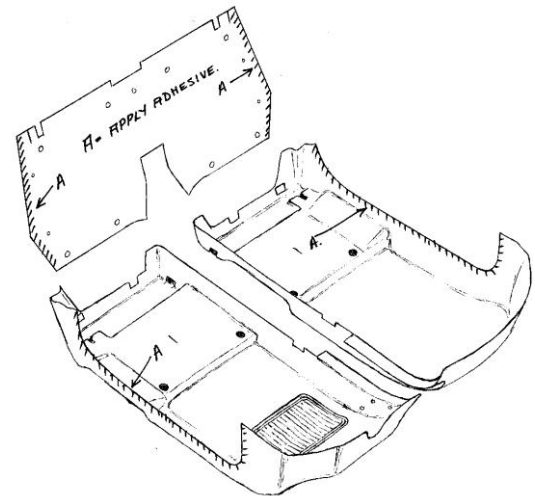
When the TF models were introduced, MG Rover upgraded the carpet to a one-piece unit. The only difference in this set to the earlier one is that being one piece, the carpet is joined from side to side. To remove the carpet from the car without taking the whole dash/ console apart, cut the carpet with a knife along the lower edge of the centre console from behind the gear lever area to the rear bulkhead as indicated in the drawing here. You will see in the diagram the “joined pieces”-pull the carpet towards you and cut vertically just behind the handbrake lever to release the joined part. **Beware** of the Alarm sensor wire that feeds under the end of the centre console. Cut the carpet behind this wire. From the other side of the console, you can then pull through the piece that is under the console and then remove both sides of the carpet from the car. You will note that your original carpet has foam backing, whereas our carpet has not. We have however included in your kit four pieces of under felt assemblies that need to be fitted in conjunction with the new set.



The front under felt pieces have a wedge of extra foam attached to them; this helps fill the space under the sill panels. Lay the remaining pieces in place then you can insert the new moulded sides into the car.

### Fitting new moulded carpet pieces.

Lay each piece into the footwell area. Tuck the inner sides of the carpet under the centre console and gently push the assembly into place. Replace the self-tapping screw that holds the base of the centre console below the handbrake. At the front you will need to replace the plastic clip screws. To secure the outer edges of the carpet in place we suggest you use a contact adhesive as per the shaded areas of the diagram seen here. Apply adhesive to an area about one inch below the level of the carpet and sill metal. This will allow you a free bit of carpet to tuck into the flap on the draught excluder. Allow going tacky, and then pushing the carpet so that the top edge of the carpet is level with the edge of the sill. Replace the draught excluder.



### Fitting new rear bulkhead carpet.

This new piece is cut exactly to size and has holes ready to accept the various plastic clip screws. You will remember that the draught excluder holds the edge of the carpet in place. We suggest that you apply a contact adhesive (Evostick or Dunlop) to the outer edges close to the excluder as per the shaded area of the diagram below. Apply the adhesive to the back of the carpet and the bodywork. Allow to go tacky, and then pushing into place so that the outer edge of the carpet is level with metal edge. You can now start refitting the original trim you took out in the following sequence: - the upper console panel, the alarm sensor and finally the “T” bar and lids.

### Refitting seats

Refit the seat belt bracket to the side of the seat frame and lay the seat back in the car so that you can reconnect the seat belt warning wires. Position the seat to refit the four seat bolts. Replace the headrests. Recode the radio after reconnecting the battery.  
Happy Motoring.