NEWTON COMMERCIAL

FITTING INSTRUCTIONS REAR SEAT COVER.

Please read through these instructions thoroughly before commencing, so as to familiarise yourself with the methods used.

Our seat covers are designed, as direct replacements for the originals and so will fit over original foams, which are usually in reasonable condition. However if you have a problem, Newton Commercial can supply set of new foams to replace the originals as with the front seats the fluted cloth centre part of the covers are held against the seat foams using trim wires and string.(Please Note: Our new foam kits include new trim wires – these will need to be cut to length)

BASE – Remove your old seat cover by carefully lifting the glued edges underneath the base.

Lift the cover up over the sides and lay it on top.

Starting at one side – lift the cover up to reveal the trim wire location. Cut the strings holding the cover to the foam. This will release the cover.

Repeat for the other three trim wires. The cover will now be completely released from the foam.

Refitting.

Repair/refurbish your base foam as necessary. Note: At the edges of the central roll and the two side rolls, there are four trim wires located inside the foam and running back to front.

(NOTE – If we supply a new rear base foam – it will not have trim wires built inside. You will have 4 extra wires supplied. These should be used to tie the strings on the underside of the foam – similar to the front seat base)

Using three of four lengths, approx 30cm, of strong nylon string per wire position. Thread the string into the foam, under the internal trim wire and out again so that the strings are equal. **See picture 1 below**



Take the new base cover and insert the four trim wires from your old seat cover into the calico hoops.

Lay the new cover onto the foam, working from the middle outwards position a central trim wire above and in line with its final position. On the calico hoop mark the place where the strings come out of the foam.

Using a large needle, thread one string at each position through the calico hoop behind the trim wire

For this wire tie each string and knot tightly so that the wire/calico hoop is pulled firmly onto the foam at the edge of the roll. Trim off any excess string.

Repeat this operation on the other side of the central roll – then at each end until you have all four wires in the seat cover held firmly in place on the foam.

Roll the cover sides over the foam all round glue the sides and front of the cover to the underside of the foam. Take care to ensure that the top edge of the cover is parallel to the bottom edge.

Finally glue the rear flap in place and your base in now complete.

SQUAB - Remove all clips along the top edge – this will release the whole of the top of the cover.

The rest of the cover is held in place using hog rings and / or glue carefully lift all flaps from the horsehair padding / frame. Pull the cover over the edges of the frame. As with the base, cut the strings holding the trim wires sewn into the cover. This will release the cover from the padding. Transfer all the trim wires to your new seat cover.

REFITTING - Tie all three or four lengths of nylon string (40cm each) in position along each trim wire – passing through the calico hoop and behind the wire. Tie a knot in the middle of the string

The original cover was held in place with the strings simply passing through the horsehair padding and being tied off. This relies on the padding itself being strong enough – fine when the seat was new.

I prefer to use another 4 wires tied in by the strings, these will line up with each wire on the other side of the padding. Also tie to the wire frame where possible.

So starting at the middle and working outwards thread the strings through the padding and tie off at the back, pulling the cover firmly against the padding.

When all four wires are tied off, pull the sides of the cover over the padding frame. See **Photo 2 below**



Trim and clip/ glue the sides and bottom flap to the back of the padding frame.

Clip the cover top over the metal rail at the top of the frame and finish each end neatly.

Your seat is now complete and can be refitted to your car.

HAPPY MOTORING!