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Stylist07
FIA GT Champion

Drives: MKV R32
#1238 Deep Blue
Join Date: Mar 2010
Location: Dallas
Posts: 1,251

DIY MKV Seat Disassemble

Here is a DIY on how to take apart the MKV Seats to install new seats covers or repair lumbar support and other parts to the seats.

I dont have pix of the first part of the disassemble but will post them later.

First thing is to remove the seats from the car by unscrewing the 4 bolts that hold the frame rails to the car frame and unconnect all Vag connectio

Once u have the seat out i recommend that u work on a padded or carpet area so u dont damage the seat.

Start by turning the seat on its back and disconnect all wire connections under the seat, like the lumbar support, heated seat pads, Airbag, and sea

Next u need to turn the seats on its side with the roller knob facing up. U need to pry out the roller knob off with a trim tool and be very careful th

knob. If u do dont worry u can use super glue to fix it.



Now u need to remove the height adjustment by pulling it up all the way so u can access the hole on the side of the handle to remove it. Look on the flat head screw driver to push down the metal clip and at the same time pull it straight out and it will come off. Its like pulling off the parking brake be a metal clip left behind once the handle comes off and u need to take this off as well.

Now that u have these parts off now u need to take off these black looking rivets that are right behind the roller knob and near the back of this side. Use a flat head and push it out from behind it. In the middle of the rivet u can push on it and it will make it pop out or u can use wire clippers and cut it. Be sure they are really cheap.

Now u can take off the whole side panel of the seat and u will need to make sure how u take it off and be very careful so u don't break it. Pay attention back on. U will need to take it off the metal roller knob frame and then work ur way down to the height handle and keep moving to the right away off now u can take off the height adjustment if needed.



Next flip over the seat to its other side so u can access to the other side panel. Now u can remove the seat belt if needed. There is a few screws that u remove all parts on this side holding the panel on.

Now that u have all the plastic bits off the sides of the seat, now u can remove these 2 M6 bolts that are on both sides of the seat. These bolts are to like 30ftlbs. These bolts are called M6 or 12 point 6mm bolts. Flip the seats on both sides to gain access to them, there are 4 total, 2 on both sides.

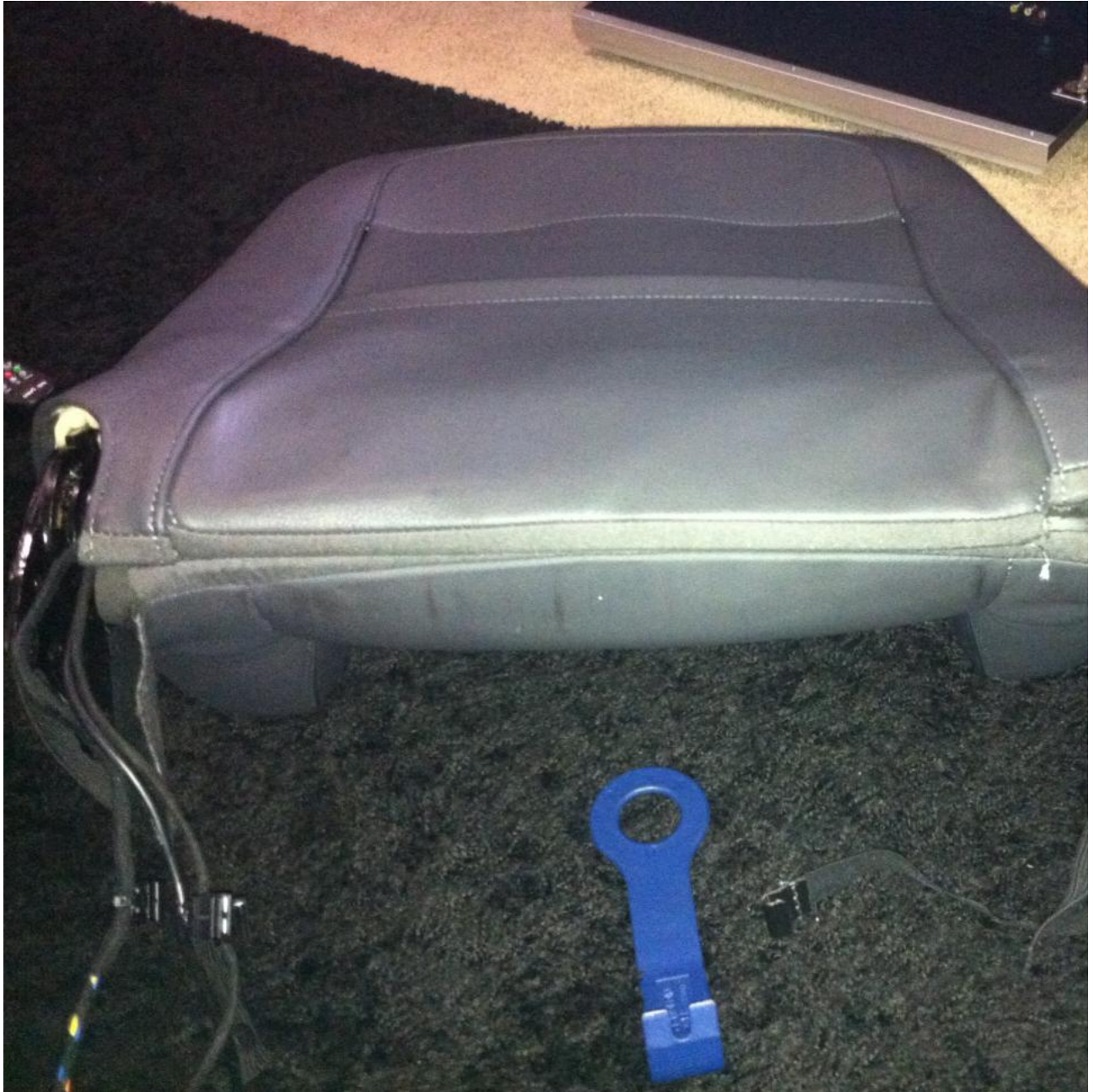


Once u remove these bolts the seat will fall apart and will be in 2 pieces. U will need to route the wire through the bottom seat to the top, wires go



Next if u need access to the Lumbar support, Airbag, or heat pads u will need to follow these steps.

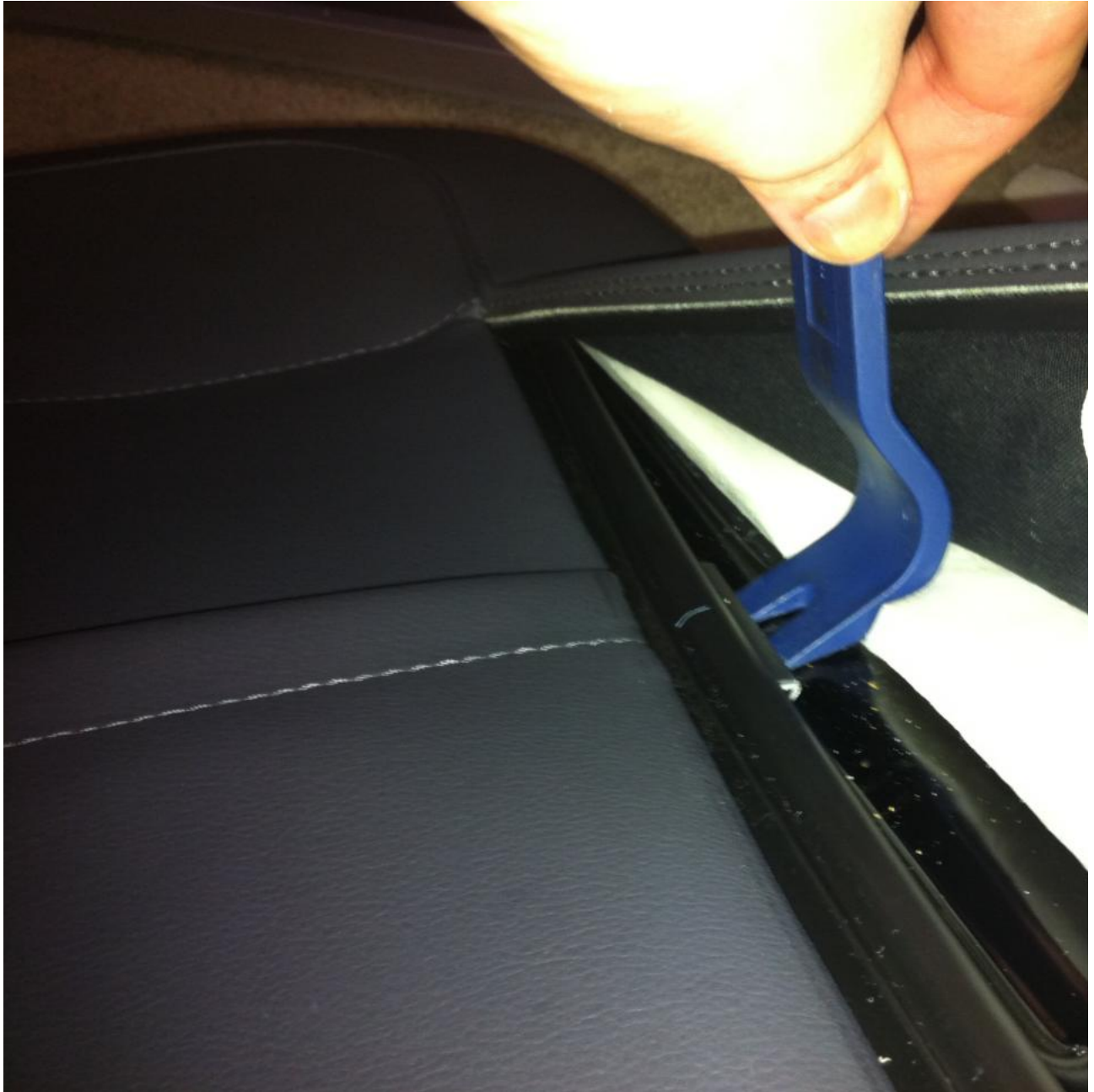
Flip the top part of the seat face down and look at the bottom of the seat. U will see where the seats covers come together and start at the right er by interlocking the like ziplock bags. Get ur fingers in there and pull apart and unsplit then all the way across.



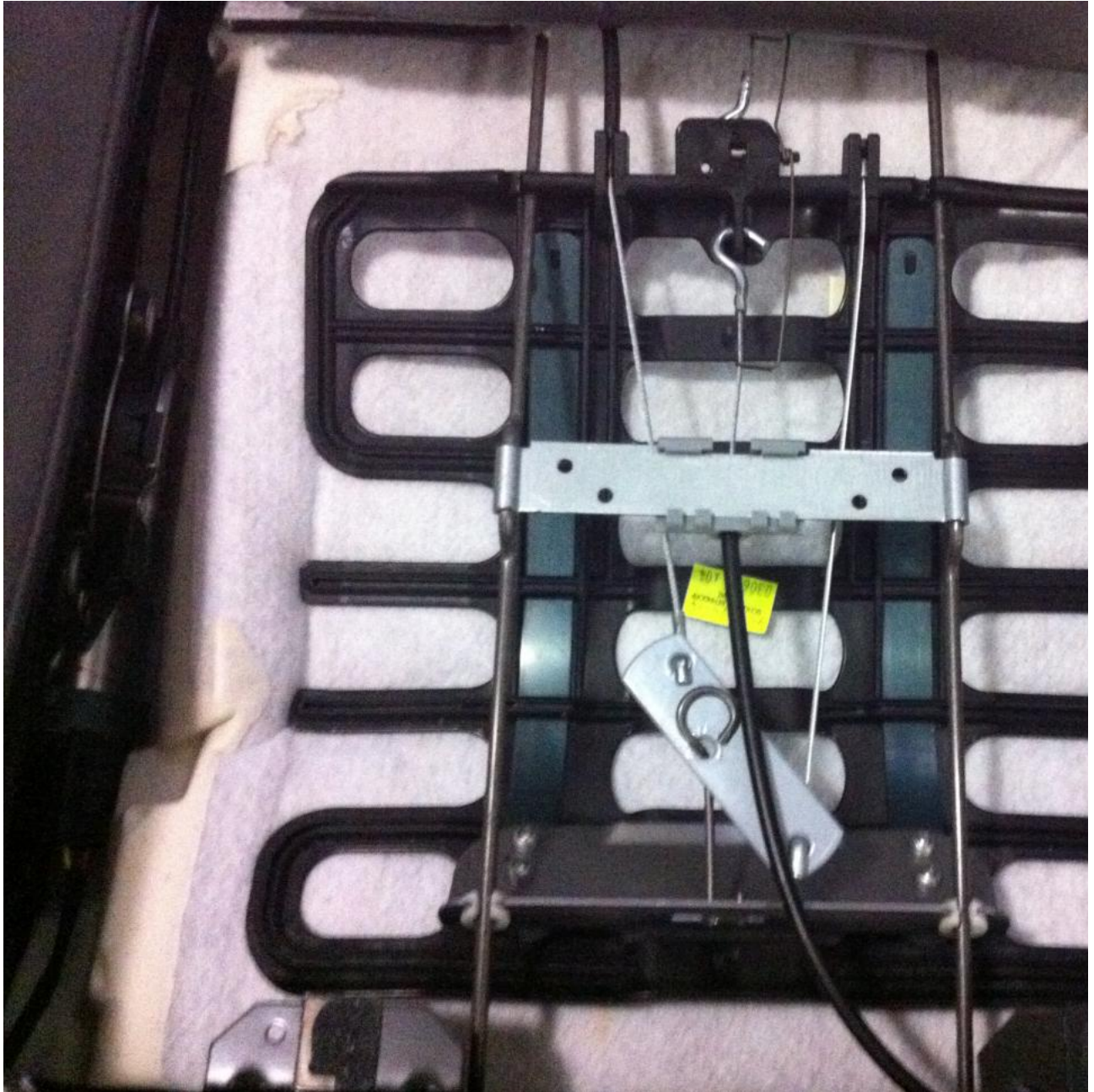


Next u can do the same thing allong the back of the seat where the back pockets are on the back of the seat. These also splice together like the bo
2 clips on both sides of the seat pocket flap, all u need to do with these clips is to put a trim tool under it and pull and slide it back away from the f





Now u can flip the back seat flap over to get access to the Lumbar support. There is a few padding in there but it can be removed by unclipping the seat u can see that the Lumbar motors are on both sides of the seat. I have not tried to see how it all works while having the seat wide open but i there is one on each side and have 2 wires going to them.





If anybody has any problems with there Lumbar Support and wants to fix it u can look at my pix and see what parts dont match up or are not work comes to the Lumbar support in side of the seat, allot more than i thought there where going to be. I have not messed with or tried to replace one I dont have all the pix up yet in the first part of the DIY but i will get them up tomorrow.

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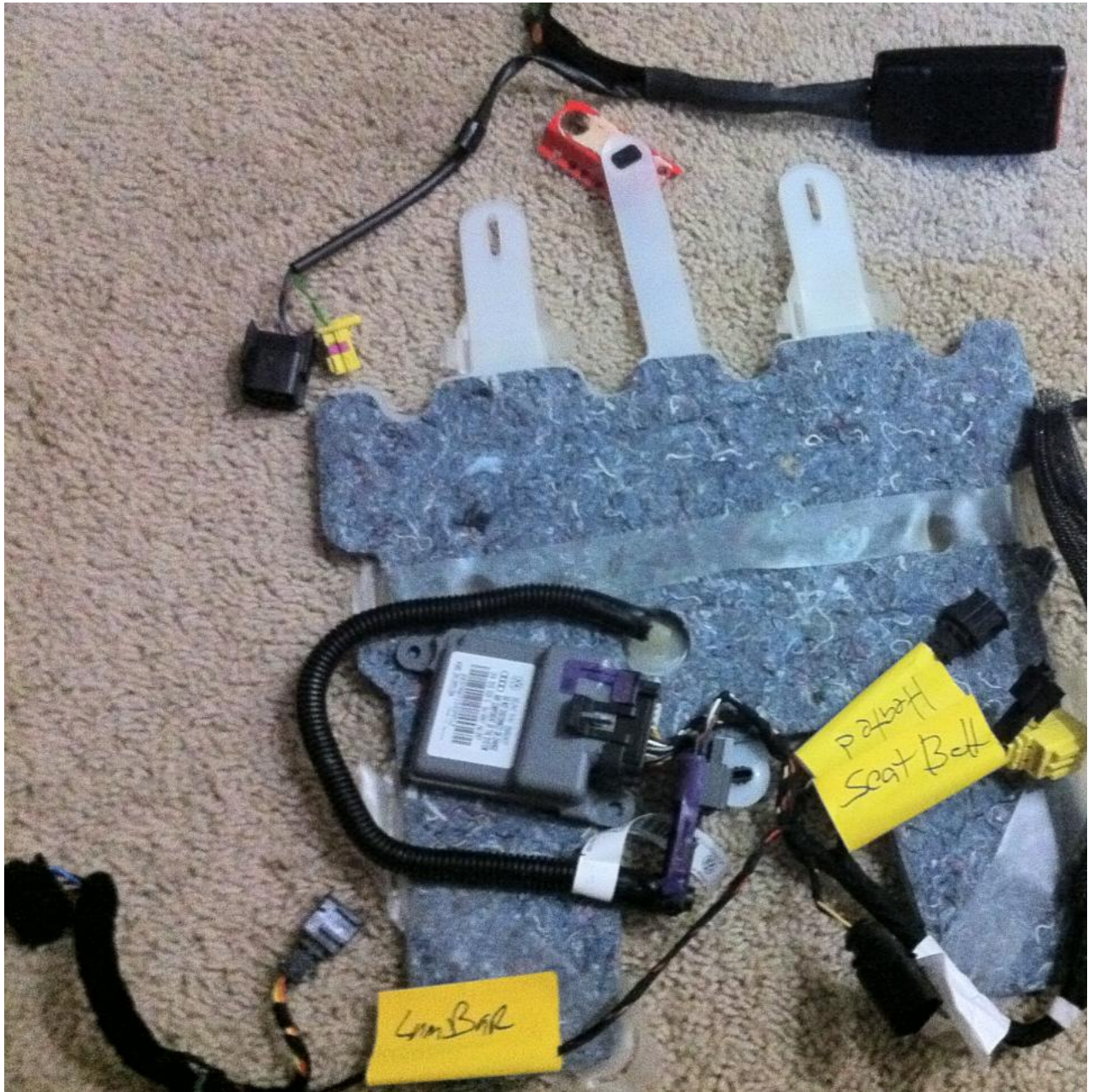
Ok i think its all on there and the pix are all loaded, If i have missed any thing please let me know or if u need to see any other pix or other steps I

Thank u for not posting today, no u can say what ever u want.LOL

Its nice to see my seat in 2 pieces.LOL

Here are a few more pix of the seat









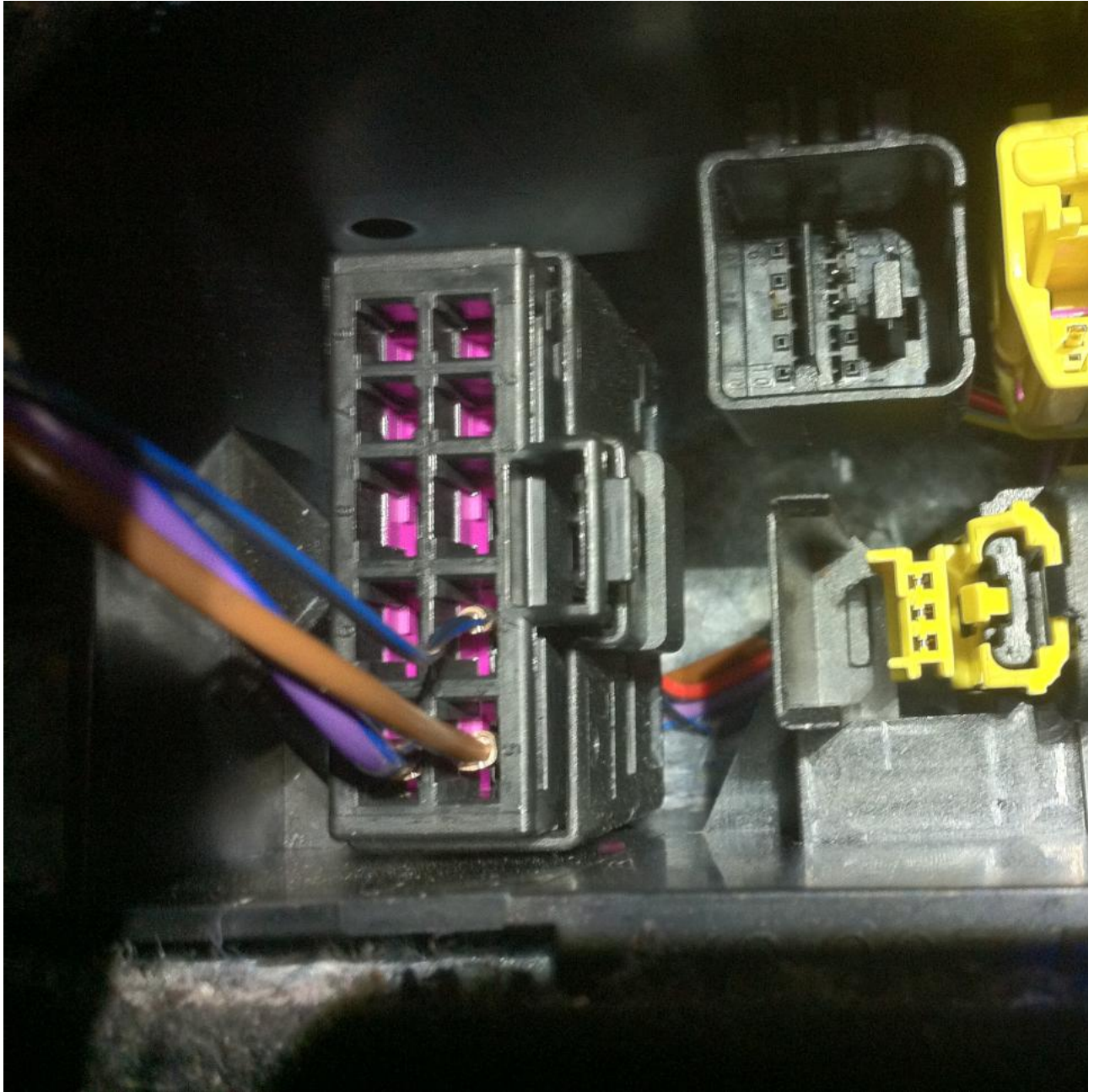










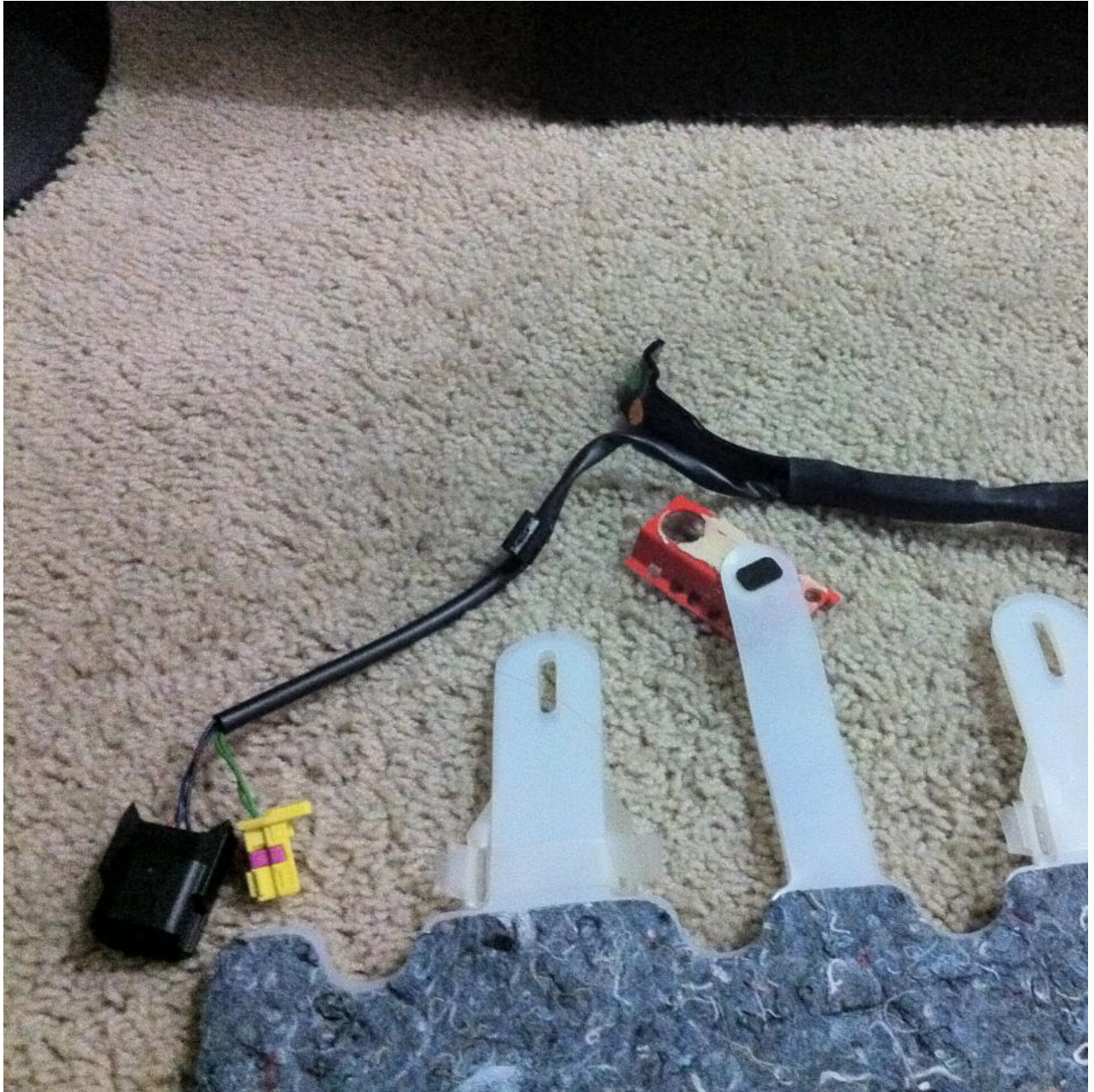


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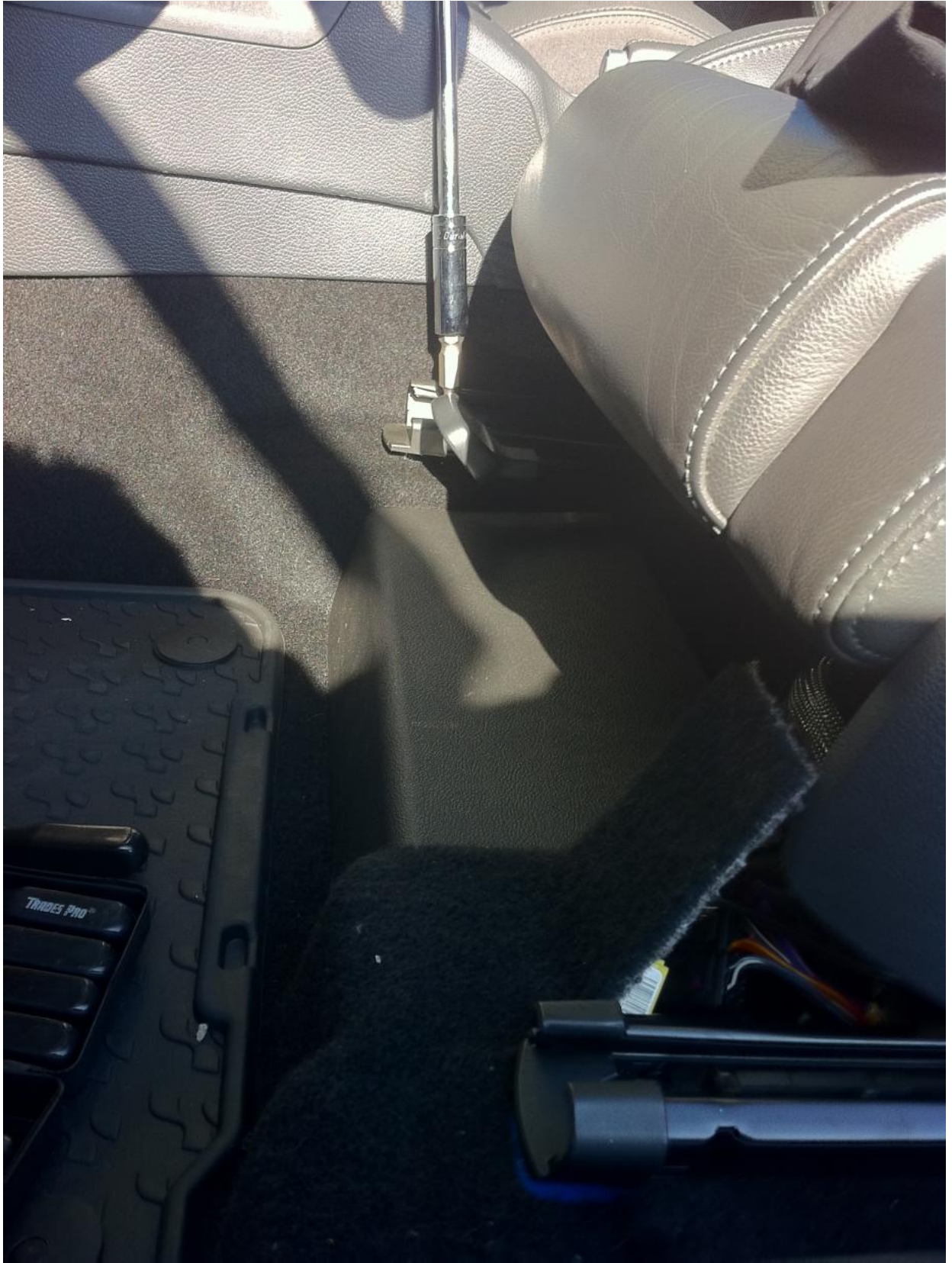
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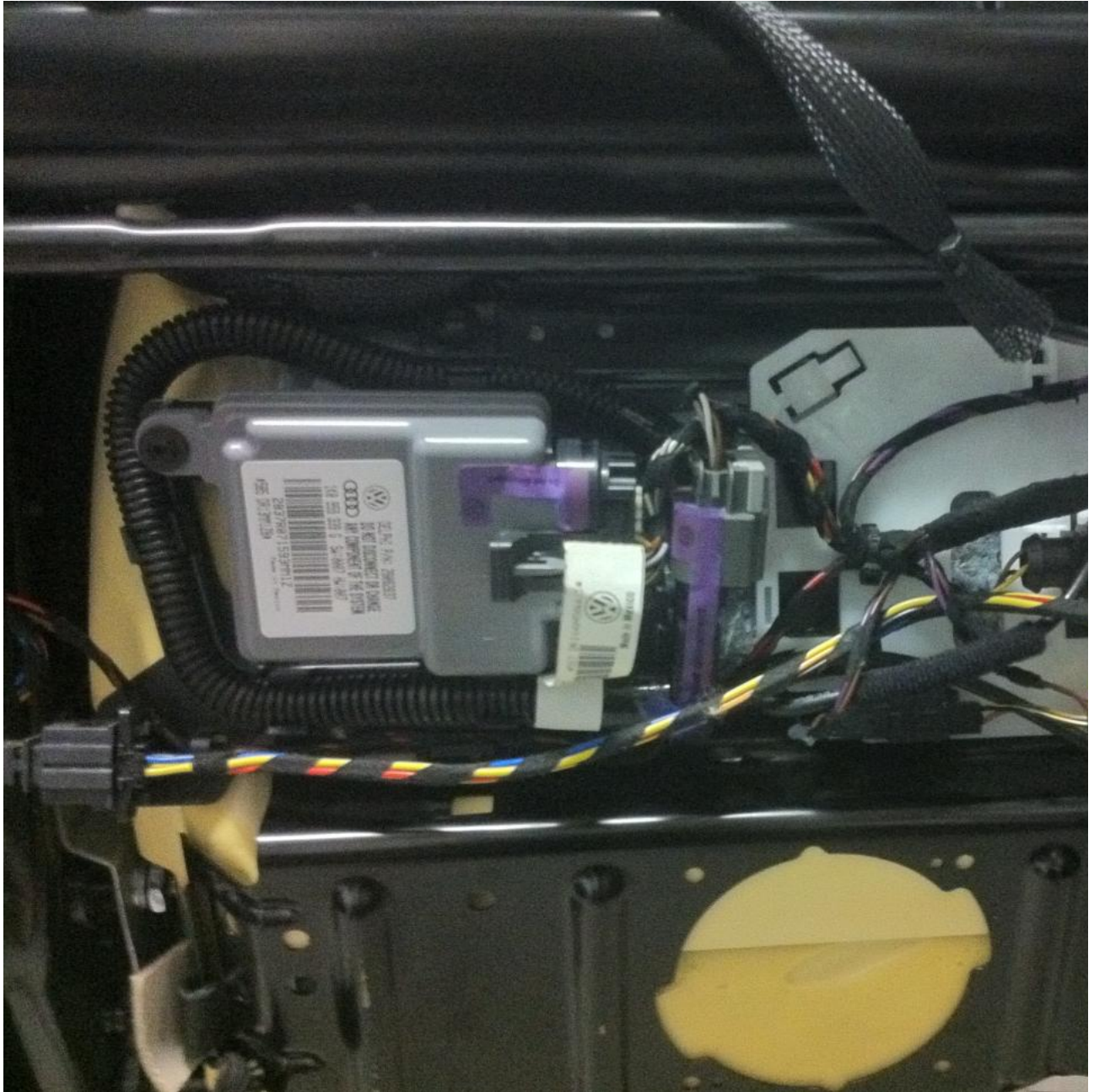












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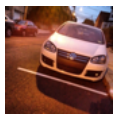


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#4

thechromecoyote

FIA World Rally Car Newbie



Drives: 2006 CW FSI GTI
Join Date: Dec 2010
Location: Northern NJ 07424
Posts: 415




Phenomenal!!! Thank you soo much!! Looking at your pictures, it seems possible to remove the seat backing "panel" while the seat is still in the car? Do you think this is doable? This is really only helpful in instances where the lumbar support doesn't need to be replaced, but just jury rigged.

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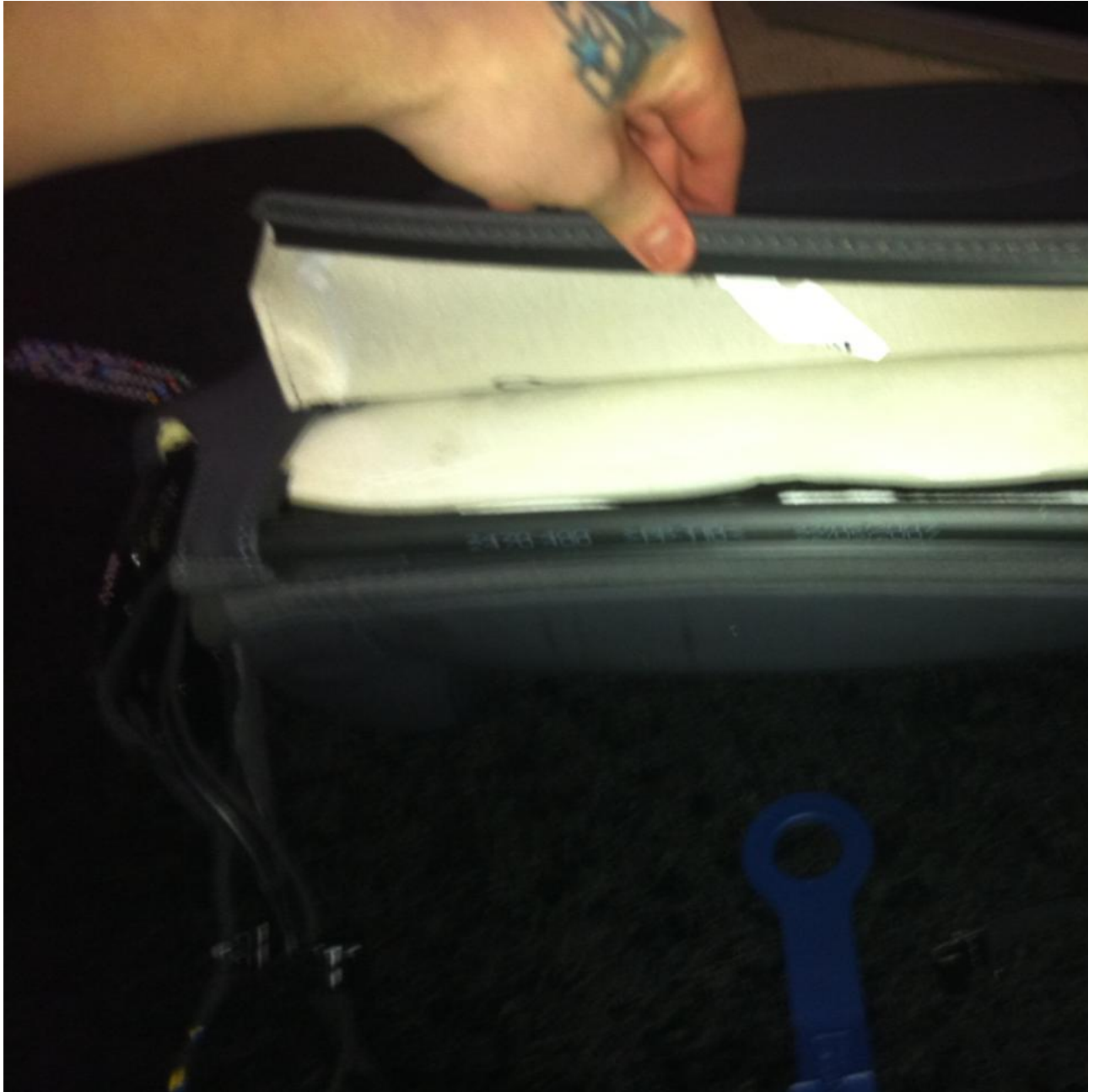
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YES very doable if u only need to just rig or replace small parts and dont need the whole seat out of the car. As long as u can lean the whole seat f back rest of the seat and get into the back of the seat to replace parts or just to see whats wrong

Just follow these steps in the pix.....

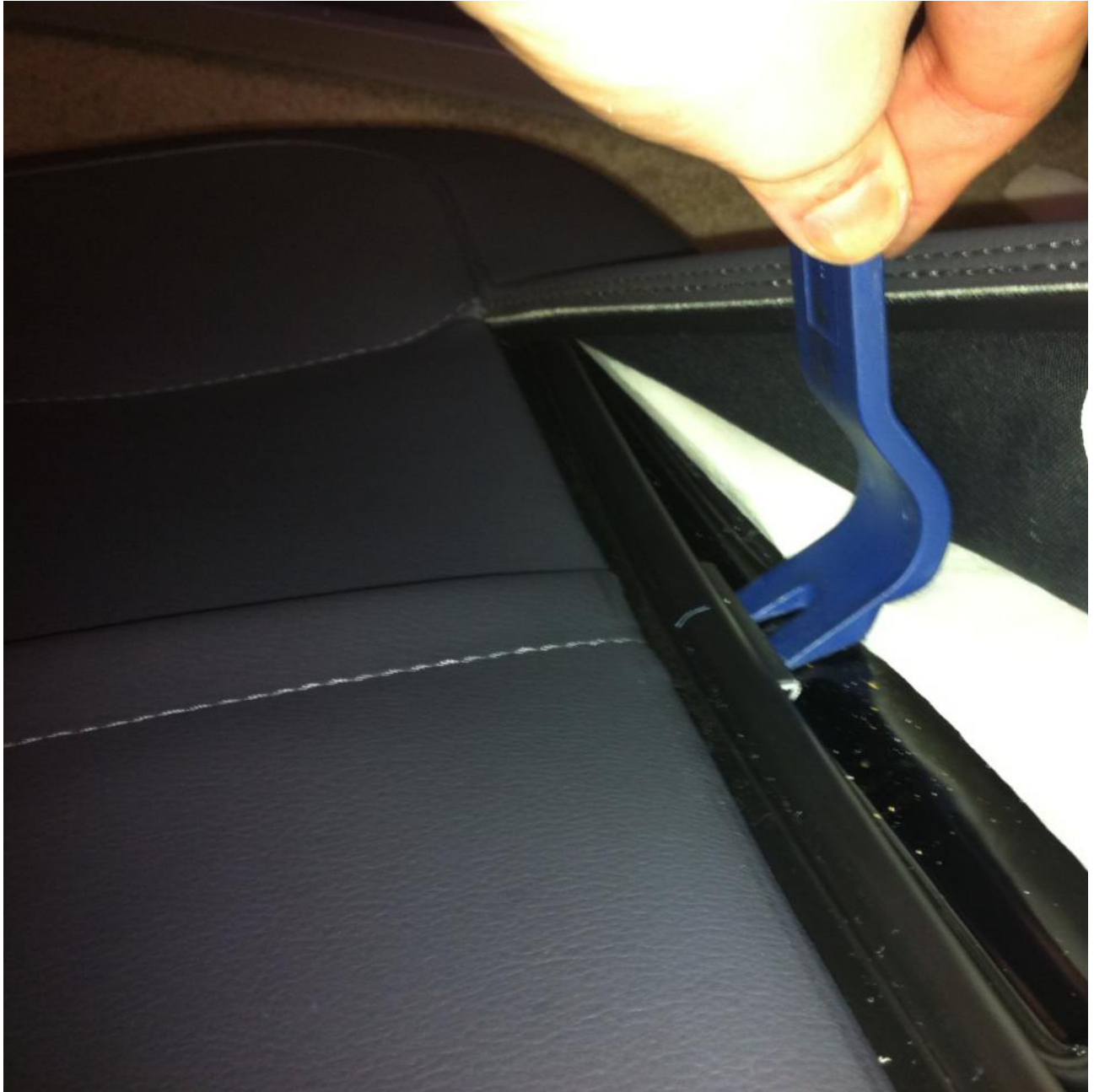




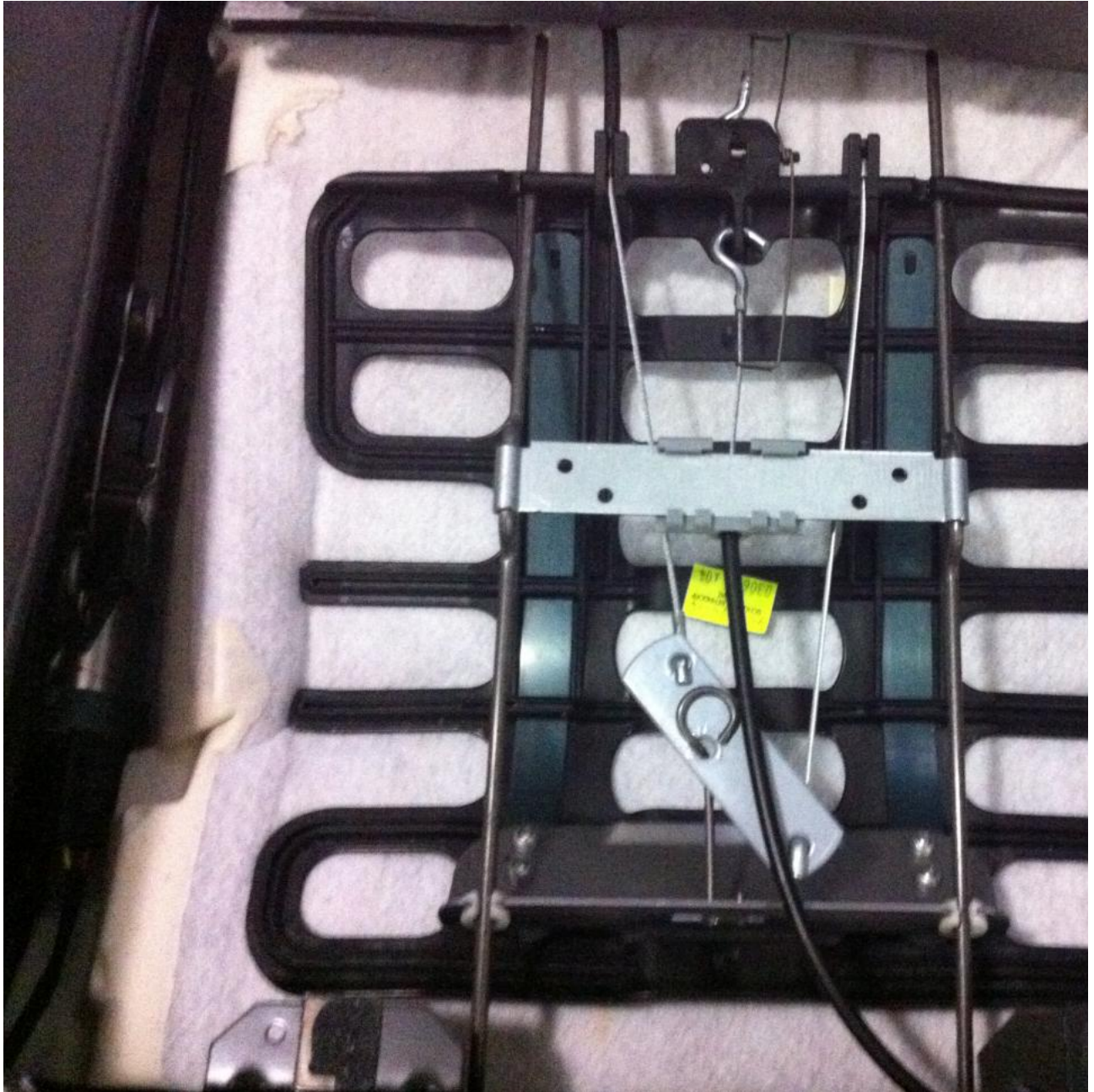












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02-22-2011, 12:01 PM

siLc
Autocross Newbie



Drives: 04' Golf
Mk5 Sportline 1.6
Join Date: Jul 2010
Location: Estonia
Posts: 70



What is this little lever on the right for?

2004 Golf MkV Sportline | 1.6 102HP | 5MT | 4dr | ParkTronic | winter pack | rain/light sensor | interior lighting pack+ | 2005.5-style MFSW | Cli
Goodyear EfficientGrip



02-22-2011, 10:12 PM

Stylist07

FIA GT Champion
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#1238 Deep Blue
Join Date: Mar
2010
Location: Dallas
Posts: 1,251

Quote:

Originally Posted by **siLc** ➤



What is this little lever on the right for?

I believe its for the Height adjustment bar for the seat!!!!

I hate this parts of the seat,IMO. Im sure we all have felt it before, when we ride for long distances and u start to feel a hard giant bar hitting the s

This bar runs across the entire length of the seat where the rod is towards the back of the bottom seat. If u press hard enough on the back part of steel!!!!!!

As u know already, here are some more pix to show u!!!!







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sirsycott

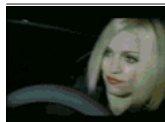
Vagcom In OC = Me



Drives: GTI FAHRENHEIT
Join Date: Mar 2008
Location: ORANGE COUNTY
Posts: 671

this might be a good time for me to take apart my lumbar also, it has this clicking noise, and i can still hear the motor running, like it's off track or un aligned,

good stuff!



TTS K04 installed, APR intercooler, Douchebag Catchcan, techtonics downpipe, Vagcom , RNS 510 Navi, KW coils (at stock ride height) , Amber signals,

next mods: euro cup holder, 4motion swap

Orange County Vagcom Guy

feel free to pm if you need anything via vag com,
alternatively you can show up here on tesudays
BEACH BURGER MEAT!
<http://golfmkv.com/forums/showthread.php?t=53263>

QUOTE

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#10

Stylist07

FIA GT Champion



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Posts: 1,251

Good job man, i hope this will help with ur delima with the dreaded lumbar support

LMK if u need any help

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#11

thechromecoyote

FIA World Rally Car Newbie



Drives: 2006 CW FSI GTI
Join Date: Dec 2010
Location: Northern NJ 07424
Posts: 415

bump for an awesome thread that helped me tons this past weekend.

I managed to diagnose that my lumbar support was just fried, one of the motors was shot so I opted for a full seat replacement. I didnt realize how much my stock seats had sagged until I put the new ones in.

Only complaint is that the leather quality changed from 2006 to the 2008 set I picked up, so next up is a straight leather cover swap to the new foam.

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#12

RaBBiT MKV

Formula 3000 Driver



Drives: 2013 GLI
Join Date: May 2008
Location: Illinois
Posts: 3,126

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nice. I have something I can follow to switch the airbags from my stock rabbit seats to my GTI leathers and get rid of the airbag light 🙌

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#13

Stylist07

FIA GT Champion



Drives: MKV R32 #1238 Deep Blue
Join Date: Mar 2010

Quote:

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Posts: 1,251

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Changing the leather covers is pretty easy and should take u a couple of hrs..LOL

GL

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05-26-2011, 08:18 PM

#14

Stylist07

FIA GT Champion

Drives: MKV R32 #1238 Deep Blue

Join Date: Mar 2010

Location: Dallas

Posts: 1,251

Quote:

Originally Posted by RaBBiT MKV
nice. I have something I can follow to switch the airbags from my stock rabbit seats to my GTI leathers and get rid of the airbag light

swapping Side Airbags.....WOW....That sounds like fun

Be careful though

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QUOTE

05-26-2011, 11:02 PM

#15

RaBBiT MKV

Formula 3000 Driver



Drives: 2013 GLI

Join Date: May 2008

Location: Illinois

Posts: 3,126

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Quote:

Originally Posted by Stylist07
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Do I need to swap side air bags? I cant just take the one from under the seat with the connectors?

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#16

jesselyons2002

You unzip my pants player

Drives: Black ruby

Join Date: Aug 2009

Location: Palmdale ca

Posts: 341

Good information. Going to help put with my fabric seats to get them clean.

QUOTE

07-04-2012, 03:31 AM

#17

siLc

Autocross Newbie

Sorry to resurrect this old thread but need help. I couldn't get the seat height handle off. On which side of the handle (interior) is the said retaining clip?

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07-04-2012, 09:06 AM

#18

Rajini98

Green Err-thang



Lift the handle up and you'll see on the inside face. It does take some work to get off.

QUOTE

07-04-2012, 04:40 PM

#19

Stylist07

Stylists:
FIA GT Champion



Quote:

Originally Posted by **Rajini98**

Lift the handle up and you'll see on the inside face. It does take some work to get off.

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When u pull the handle up u will see a small square hole that u will fit a small Flat head screw driver in to release the retaining clip and then pull the handle off the shaft. 🏠

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QUOTE

07-06-2012, 12:11 PM

#20

Nerdavison

Nerdadvision
Nerd with Speed addiction

Drives: 07 MK5 UG GTI DSG Huffs
Join Date: Mar 2007
Location: Tucson, AZ
Posts: 216



very nice write up and wonderful pictures. Just making sure procedure same with cloth seats? Also looks like you didn't have that airbag tsb thing I did, my airbag wires are connected to bypass the connector due to tsb fix so would have to cut and reconnect those. sigh.

"You still saying the golf (the GTI) is the best?" - Richard Hammond

"Yes, because you see if you buy a honda (civic type R) you end up with a honda." - Jeremy Clarkson

QUOTE

07-07-2012, 12:07 AM

#21

Stylist07

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Thanks man, Im sure the DIY is the same for the Cloth seats as well

Enjoy

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QUOTE

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#22

Rajini98

Green Err-thang



Drives: 2007 2dr UG GTI w/FSI

Join Date: Jul 2010

Location: North Carolina

Posts: 1,975



the two are the same, yes. Cloth is actually easier to work with I'd imagine since it stretches more than leather would. Note though that the "ziplock" clips are not on the sides, only the bottom.



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