

# W124 E320 Cabriolet Trunk/Interior Removal



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**DISCLAIMER : THIS IS A GUIDE TO HELP W124 CABRIOLET OWNERS REMOVE THE INTERIOR AND TRUNK LINERS SO TO ACCESS THE CONVERTIBLE TOP HYDRAULIC SYSTEM. USE AT YOUR OWN RISK.**

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### Required Tools

- 1) Ratchet
- 2) 7mm socket
- 3) Flat Head Screw Driver
- 4) Phillips Head Screw Driver



### Tools Not Listed

- 1) iPhone\* with factory service manual PDF's

\*I used my iPhone view the FSM while tearing down for reference. As well as to play music while working on the car. Any handheld device that can display PDF's will be useful. Place the device in a ziplock bag of appropriate size so to not ruive it.

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Starting out : Open the trunk to reveal what is stored inside.

1) Remove items from the trunk



- 1) Remove right hand side amp covering
  - a) pry the plastic pins with a flat head screwdriver or other wedge tool
  - b) remove the larger plug from the covering as it locks the covering to the body



Once Removed place the three plastic clips in a safe place so to not lose them



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- 2) Remove the trunk CD changer if equipped
  - a) Remove the fabric cover by pulling up and over the top of the CD changer.



- 3) Remove the CD changer from its frame
  - a) Four 7mm bolts (two on each side) mount it to the frame.
- 4) Remove the CD changer frame from the trunk
  - a) three bolts circled in yellow with a phillips screwdriver.

Note : Replace all hardware in its original mounting place so to not misplace them.



- 5) Remove the mounting tabs pictured.





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- 6) Remove the large center trunk liner
  - a) Removal will require pulling it out and manipulating it to squeeze out



Special Note : These vents come loose over time  
press them back into place.



- 7) Remove the trunk light before removing the passenger side trunk liner
  - a) to remove the driver or passenger side trunk liner, pull the liner out of the trunk. It is wedged in to place and held in by nothing more than retaining its shape in the confined space.

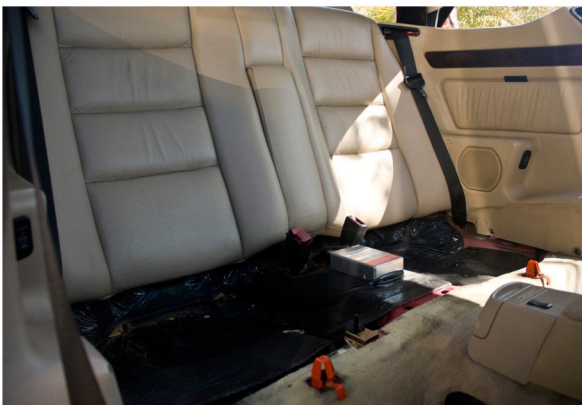
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- 8) Open the convertible top and with a rope hold the Bow in “A Position”.
- 8b) Also tie a rope to the toneu cover to hold it open should a strut fail.



- 9) Locate the orange tabs securing the seat bottom to the chasis.
- \*Note : The FSM shows to remove the seat back first. I removed the bottom first so I would not hurt the seat. If you wish to remove the seat back first go to step 10.



- 9) Once the tabs are depressed and release the seat, lift up and tilt back to remove.
- \*Note : Collect any change and debris.

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10) Fold the armrest down and pinch the covering to expose the two mounting bolts.

b) use an 8mm socket to remove.

10b) Once the bolt have been removed the seat back is removed by pulling up so to release it from the catches.

*\*Note : may require some force.  
gently tap the mounting tabs to  
loosen the seat back tabs.*



11) Remove the chrome plate.

12) Peel the windlace back as shown.





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- 13) Remove the bolt circled in yellow  
b) not pictured but in the area of the arrow is a ball joint that needs to be released. It is located on the opposite end of the rod mounted to the flap.



- 14) Remove the screws holding the plastic trim piece in place. Then lift out the trim piece.

\*Note : At this time you may remove the black sound deadening blanket.



- 15) Remove the screws circled in yellow

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- 16) Remove the cover for the passenger side seat belt swivel. Remove for rear side wall trim removal then replace.

*\*Note to properly reinstall the seatbelt swivel see FSM article 91-502 Cabriolet section.*



- 17) Unbolt rear seatbelt mounting bolt. Once the rear sidewall trim is removed, replace the mount.



- 18) Unconnect the window switch from the main harness.

- 20) Remove the sidewall trim by gently lifting up to release it from the catches in the window channel.

*Repeat Steps 11-20 to remove the opposite side.*

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### Source/Credits

1) W124 Factory service manual

1a) 68-456

1b) 77-305

1c) 91-502

1d) 91-508

2) <http://www.benzworld.org/forums/w124-e-ce-d-td-class/1395095-w124-soft-top-manual-operation-1994-a.html>

\* Thread located at Benzworld.org and all of the members that have posted in it.

**Now move onto the removal/replacement of the top hydraulic DIY Article**

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