

1. Open Hood
2. Tape off hood, fender, and bumper corners to protect paint (optional)
3. Remove factory gas strut rod
4. Remove hood.
5. Remove radiator cover panel – 4 screws in panel, 2 rubber bumpers & 6 plastic body clips in bumper cover. Convertible owners see notes on step 27.



6. Remove hood latch.





7. Remove release cable from hood latch

8. Remove 3 screws in top of fenders

9. Remove hood hinge

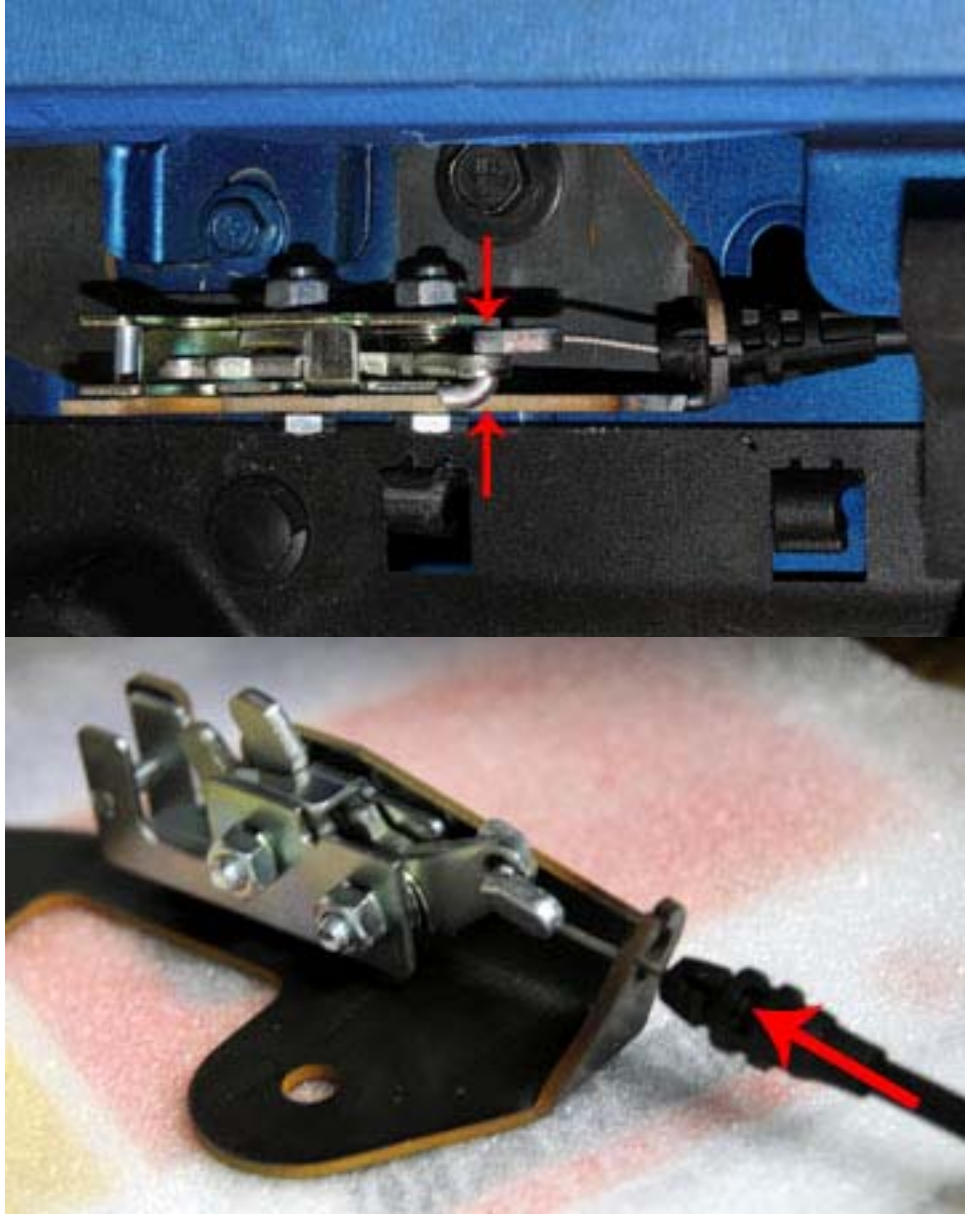


10. Reinstall screw 1 & 2, then repeat steps 8-10 on the other side.

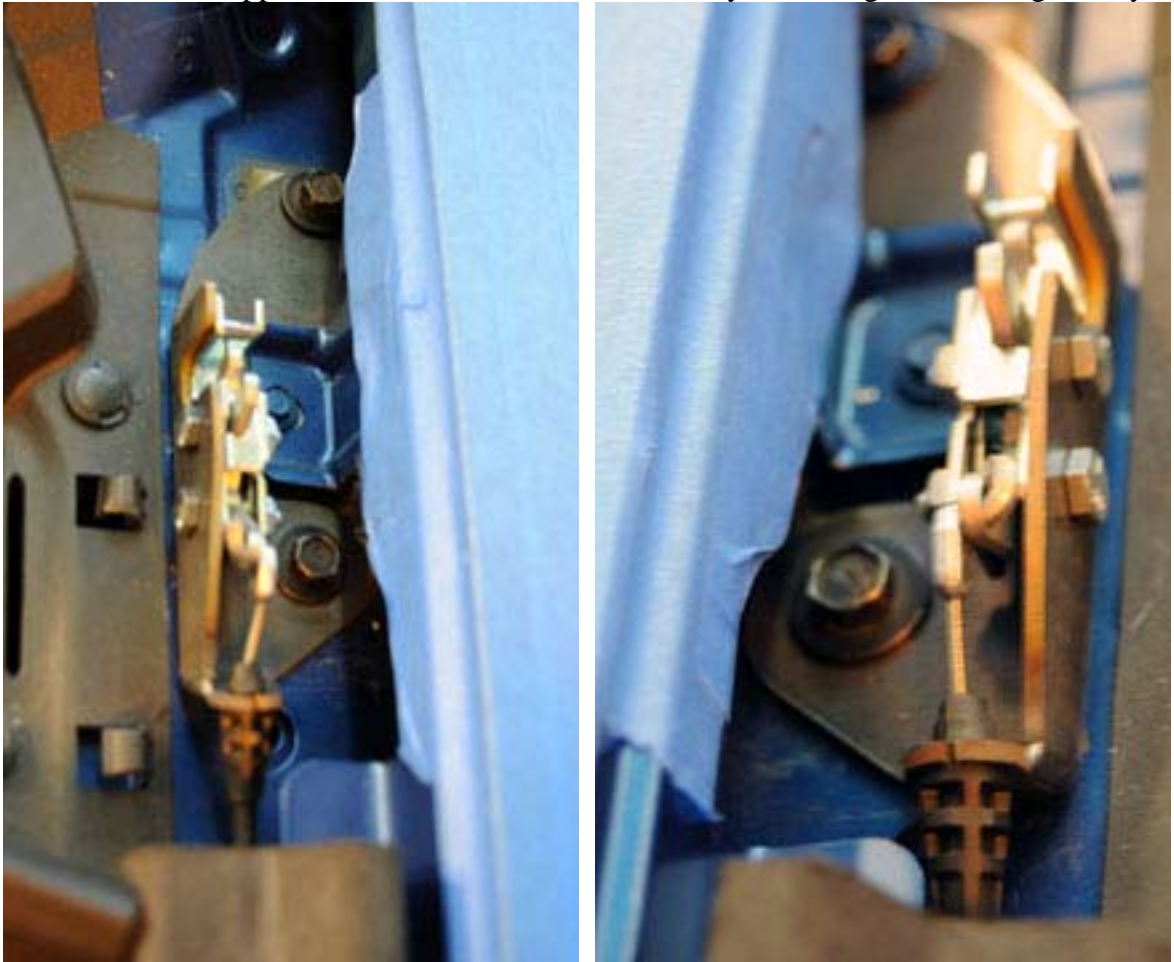
11. Slide supplied cable from factory hinge mount thru fenders, over headlight buckets to the back of the grill(following factory hood cable). Repeat passenger side.



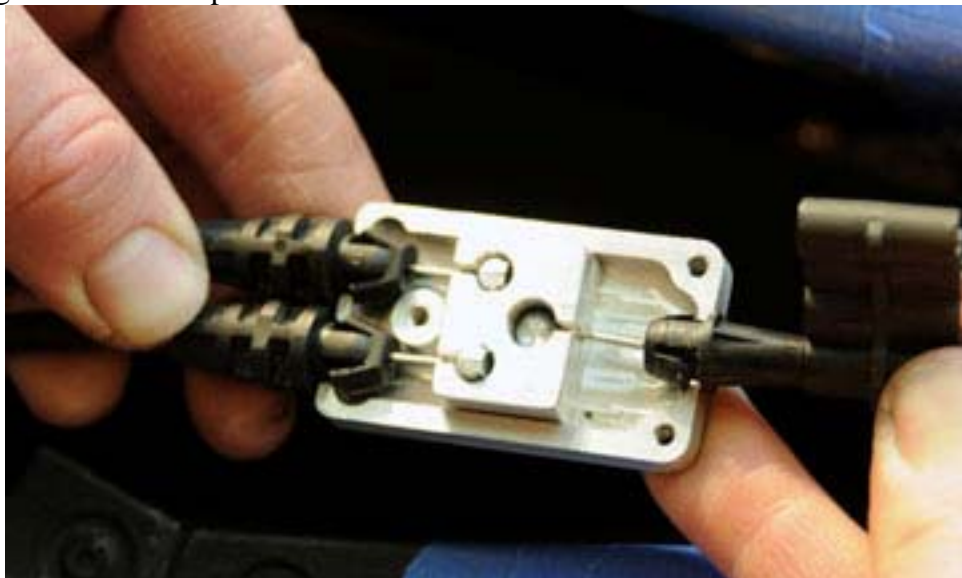
12. Insert J-hook on end of cable into latch release arm and push plastic end clip into mounting plate.

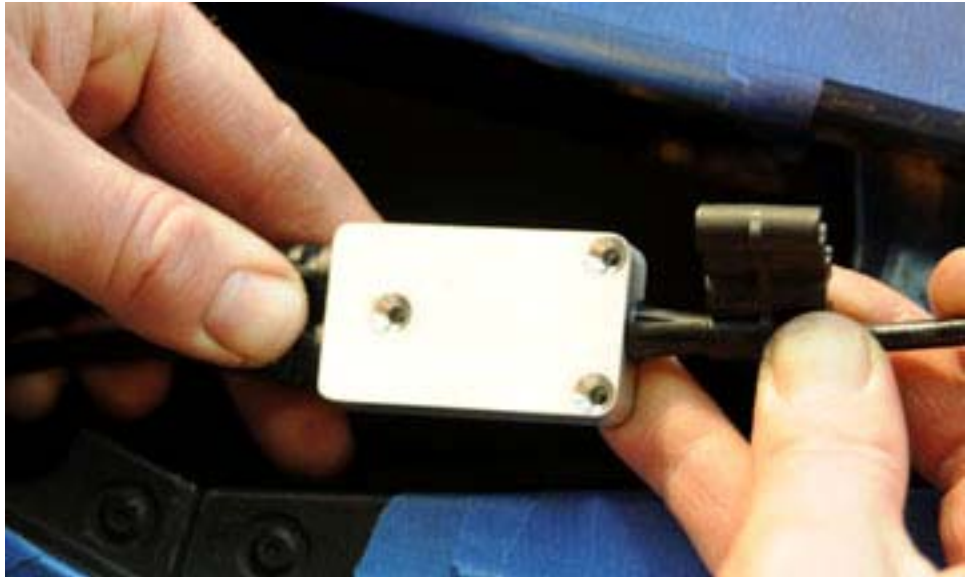


13. Bolt the new supplied latches with mounts into factory hood hinge holes using factory bolts

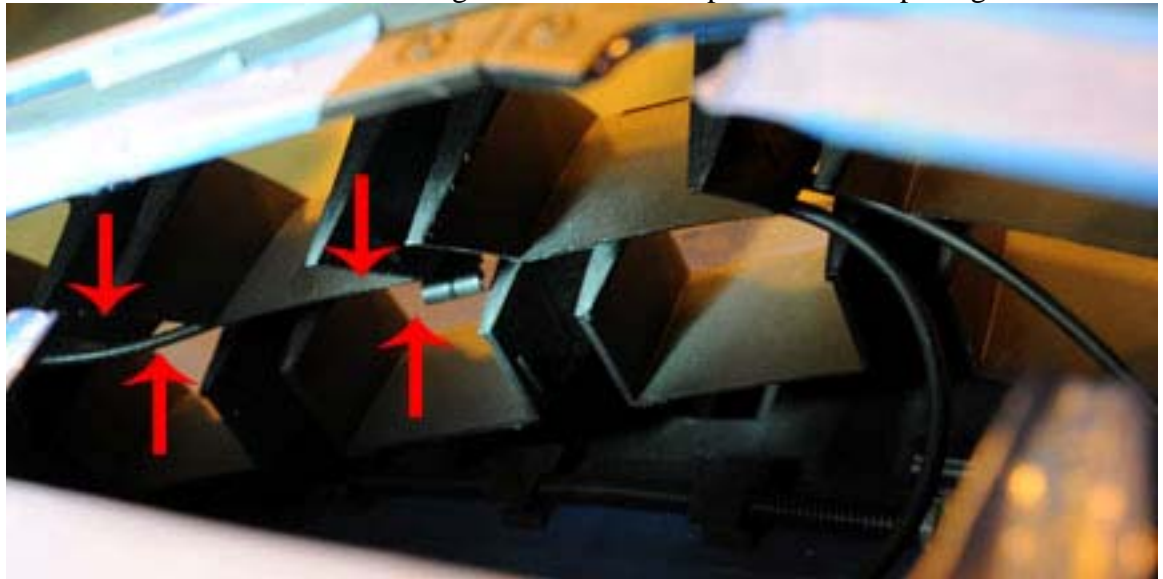


14. Assemble hood cable slider by installing new supplied cables into the double side of the block, and the factory release cable in the single side of the block. Check for proper operation by manually closing the latches and pulling the hood release lever inside car. Some adjustment to the latch location on the mounting plate may be needed to keep cables from sticking in the released position.





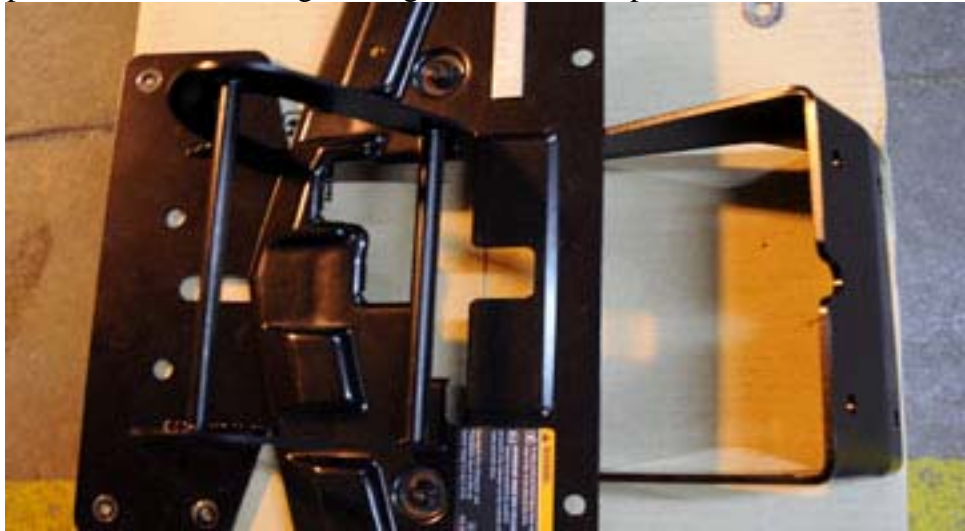
15. Tuck cables and slider box behind grill and between top and bottom openings.



16. Cutout and attach template on last page of instructions to radiator cover panel and cutout to match template.



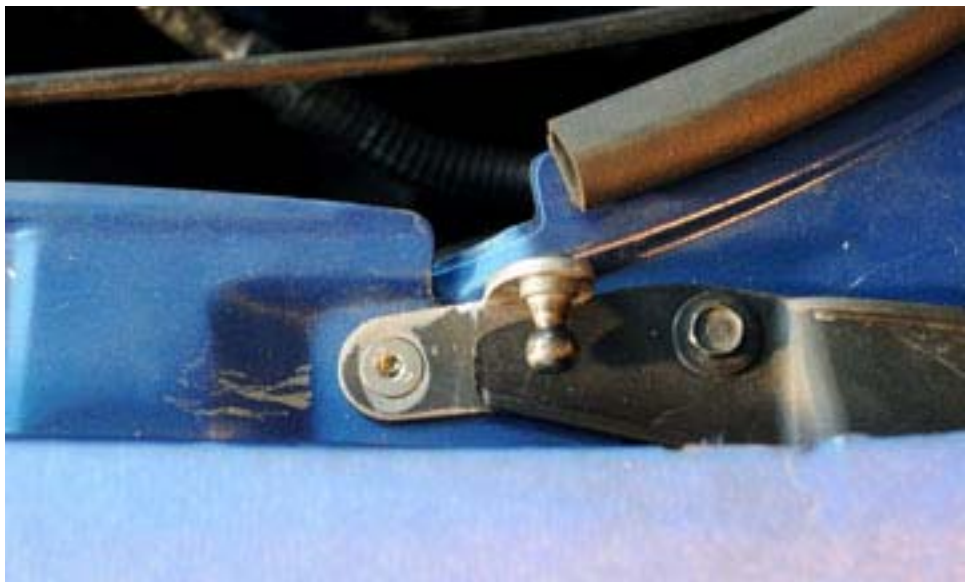
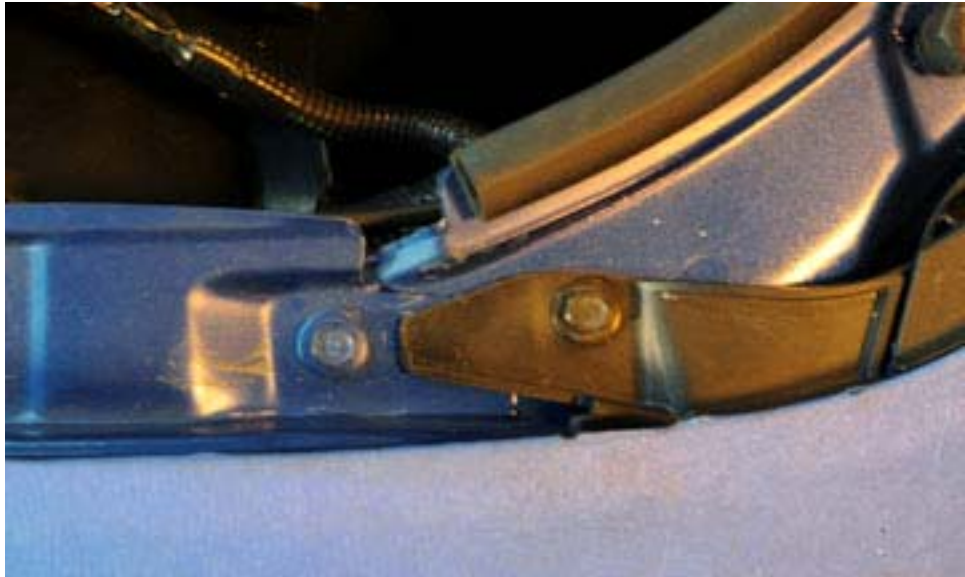
17. Slide top half of new hood hinge through radiator cover panel and bolt to bottom hinge piece



18. Using factory hood latch bolts, bolt the new hinge assembly into the factory latch location, using the 2 supplied 8mm bolts in the lower holes. Using a long ratchet extension helps!



19. Install lower strut mount under nose plastic tab, replacing factory fender bolt with supplied flat head screw. Repeat other side.



20. Bolt Hood to hinge mounting plate using 2 center factory bolts



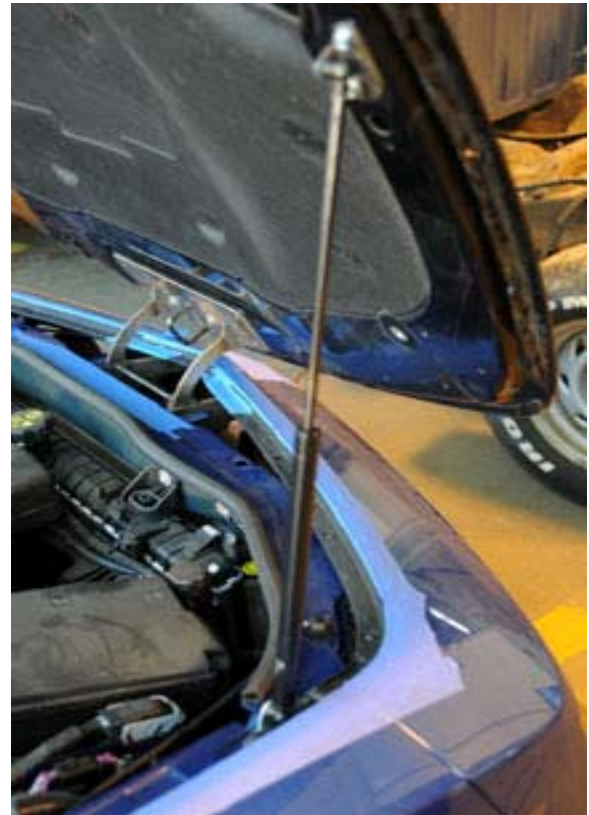
21. Adjust hood for front gap and side to side gaps, then tighten bolts down.



22. Install gas strut mount to underside of hood with self threading screws  $\frac{1}{4}$ "x  $\frac{3}{4}$ ". Use factory dimple to locate bracket and drill small  $\frac{3}{16}$ " pilot holes to help start screws. **WARNING:** Do NOT overtighten screws or they will strip out. We do not recommend using a drill, only hand tools when inserting screws.



23. Install gas struts and safety clips



24. Install latch pin brackets on hood in factory hinge location. Align for proper operation.



25. Install 4 self threading screws in corners of hood mounting plate. **WARNING:** Do NOT overtighten screws or they will strip out. We do not recommend using a drill, only hand tools when inserting screws.



26. If your hood has windshield washers, install washer extension hose to the hood.

27. For convertible owners you will need to remove the front bumper to remove the upper frame rail cross bar(Blue Arrows) and notch out the bar to slide over the hinge bracket(Red Arrows).



28. Enjoy your new reverse opening hood!

|—This should measure 7.25" long—|

