

Install



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ITEM: New 9-3 Shifter Bushing Kit
FITS: Saab 9-3 2003- Manual
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This is a pretty basic install should take about 1/2 hour using simple hand tools. If you have any questions feel free to yell. The hardware package should look like the image to the right, 4x aluminum washers and 4x steel washers. It will take a medium/small flat screwdriver, #25 torx screwdriver, 8mm 1/4" socket with extension, 1/4" ratchet or other handle and 13mm wrench or socket/ratchet.

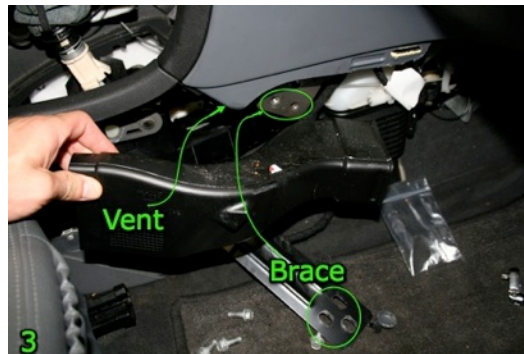


- First, we need to get access to the bushings. They are at the base of the shifter housing. (The black plastic part.) Lift up and slide back the shifter cover to get it out of the way. Img 1.

- Drive the passenger seat all the way back. Giving access to the T25 screw under the little cover Img 2.

Then remove the right

console side cover. by slipping it down and rearward. Note how it layers under the console so it is easy to put back.



- Now the trick here is to remove the sheet metal brace and air vent that is covering the front right bolt. Brace is held in with 4x 13mm head bolts. Air vent just slides in and is held by the brace. Some cars may have a cable tie also. Img 3.

- Now all you have to do it remove the 4 bolts that hold the shifter base down. Easiest to start on the left front. You can select different gears to get clearance there. Then move on to the other bolts. Getting the right front with a socket/ ratchet. Others from the top with the extension.

- You need to use the screwdriver or similar to get the old "T" washer out of the original bushings. Push the Rubber bushings out of the base. Make sure not to loose them, we don't want to make extra rattles.
- The new aluminum washers are placed with the tapered side up and make sure they are centered over the bolt holes and seated nicely in the shifter base. Put the new washers over the top and start the bolts by hand taking care not to cross thread them. Final tighten them after they are all started.
- All that is left now is to reinstall the Air Vent, Bracket and console trim. Now go testdrive and savor the results. :)



As always if you get stuck call us before you get really frustrated.
Thanks,
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