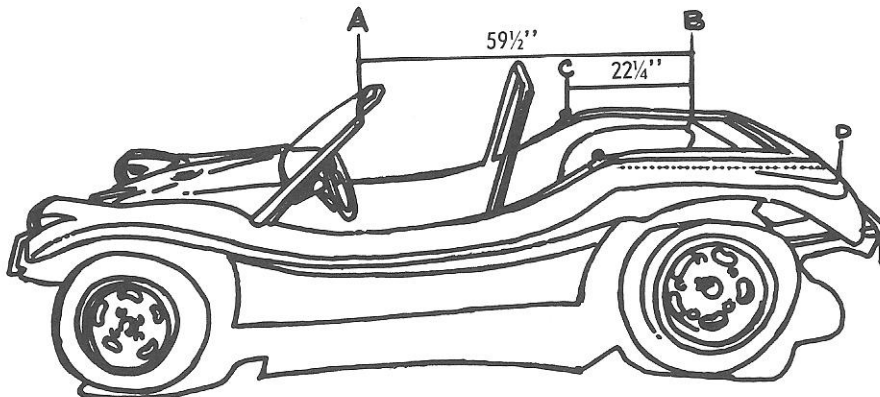


DESERTER GT: CONVERTIBLE TOP INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS: PATTERN NO. ~~137~~ 149

It has been our intention to provide you with a product of high quality that will insure long service and add beauty to your car. Your top has been made for a tight fit, it may be necessary to use two people in the initial installation. PLEASE READ AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS CLOSELY.

- Step 1. Check measurement from windshield to body. See illustration points A to points B. Measure from front edge of windshield (at top center) to top edge of rear seat backrest. THIS MEASUREMENT MUST BE  $59\frac{1}{2}$  INCHES. If measurement is not correct windshield posts must be moved and tilted to the proper dimension.
- Step 2. Locate, drill and install top brackets to the body (see point C on drawing). THE BODY ANGLE HINGE MOUNTS MUST BE MOUNTED  $22\frac{1}{4}$  INCHES FROM CENTER OF THE BRACKET TO THE TOP EDGE OF THE REAR SEAT BACKREST. Use #28 drill bit for all necessary holes.
- Step 3. Rest fiberglass front bow in position on the top of the windshield posts. Holding the bow to maintain its position, fold complete top (aluminum bows included) forward and over the windshield and let it rest on top of hood. Drill and tap one  $\frac{5}{16}$  inch hole into each aluminum windshield post while holding fiberglass bow securely in place. After bolts are installed fold top back over windshield and secure bow ends to top bracket at point 'C' on both sides. Install the two snaps studs on windshield posts on each side of top.
- Step 4. On the front aluminum bow slide bow straps (located inside top) over corner radius, allowing front bow to fall forward.
- Step 5. Pull top to rear of the body. Mark fastener stud location, starting with the center. Desired location is approximately  $\frac{3}{4}$  to 1 inch below the outer edge of the body (see dotted line on drawing).
- Step 6. After securing top to center stud locate and install balance of fasteners across the back of car. An outward and downward pull will insure a taunt fit.
- Step 7. After rear snaps are installed lift front aluminum bow into position, slide straps over corner radius of bow until they are in a paralalled position. Adjust bow straps to keep fastener line even with sides of body.
- Step 8. Locate, drill and install side fasteners. Pulling forward on top, mark and install turn type fastener. (Note: the rear aluminum bow should follow the seam at the rear of the top.) Also wrinkles may be removed by moistening inside of the top surface and exposing outer surface to heat.



DESERTER GT: CONVERTIBLE TOP RIGID FRAME SIDE CURTAIN INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS.

Once your convertible top is installed properly hold side curtain up to opening and check fit carefully. Where side curtain makes contact with the top there should be approximately a  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inch overlap at the top and backside. This overlap will provide an interlocking effect once side curtain is closed.

Using screws provided drill and secure front edge of side curtain to the rear lip of the aluminum windshield post. Next install the snap stud into the body at the rear edge of the side curtain, this will hold it closed while you crawl through and install the necessary fasteners on the inside of the body and aluminum bows. To seal side curtain to convertible top run finger around perimeter of side curtain and top.