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INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

'53-'55,'56 FORD F-100 HEADLINER

(Including '56 Small or Big Rear Window)

ORIGINAL STYLE

Tools Required: (Not included)

Utility Knife
ABS Pipe Glue
Tape Measure
1 Can Spray Adhesive
Sanding Block (80 grit)

Lay out all pieces: (Included)

Large Center Section – marked for either '53-'55, '56 Small Window or '56 Big Window
Driver/Passenger Side Panels – marked for either '53-'55, '56 Small Window or '56 Big Window
1 Roll 4' x 4 1/2' Aluminum/Felt Insulation Pad

1) Glue insulation material on to roof of cab with a high temp contact adhesive. Trim to fit, insulation should be placed between the roof and the center brace, DO NOT glue insulation over center roof brace.

2) We recommend using a new original Headliner to Roof Rubber Seal (not included). If the rear window rubber is still pliable and flexible it need not be replaced.

NOTE: If using a Rear Cab Cover also, order the extra long seal (196") and run it flush to the floor.

3) Starting at the floor lay out the rubber seal around the doors and over the front windshield, and press over pinch weld, once in place install headliner retaining clips. From the floor up 6" there is a support bracket. On each side of the cab cut 6" off the backside of the Rubber Seal with a razor knife. Use one or two pop rivets or screws to hold that portion of seal to the cab.

4) Cover all pieces with upholstery fabric. Use only a high temp contact adhesive (RodDoors Spray Glue Cheese or 3M Super 90) start in the center; spray both the back of the fabric and the front of the panel – 2 square feet at a time. Take your time. If the fabric has a grain or a pattern keep it straight on the center of the panel.

5) Trim the fabric flush to all the edges. On the side panels, trim the fabric flush to the panel on any edge that will be tucked under a rubber seal, wrap fabric around the edge that butts up to center section, and below rear window.

6) With chalk, measure and mark the rubber at the center of the cab at the windshield and the rear window. Mark the fabric (with chalk) on the center section panel at the notch.

7) Slightly bend the center section and slide the front edge into rubber seal above the front window, align chalk marks. Press the center section tight to the roof, and slip the rear edge behind the rear window rubber, check chalk marks for alignment.

NOTE: Most problems with fit are caused by misalignment of the center section.

8) Side panels, starting at the middle of the center section slide the front edge of the side panel groove under the center section. Keeping the center section in the groove, slide the side panel forward (toward the windshield) until it can be slipped under the rubber seal around the top of the door. Next pry back the rear window rubber and slip the side panel behind the rubber. Continue placing the side panel under seal behind the door.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Gaps – check your chalk marks! Misalignment will cause gapping.

Side panel not pushed to the front – should overlap center section

Side panel won't slide in to stay in groove – pull the center section down a bit to get the side panel channel started, sliding forward. Fabric on the center panel not trimmed flush to the edge, making it too bulky.

Rubber seal gaps – retainer clips need to be adjusted, rubber pulled too tight or too loose.

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