

History: Seat Cushion Replacement

In 2016, we introduced a driver's side seat cushion for the '98-'02 Dodge Ram trucks. Because of the Quad Cab/suicide rear door design of the truck, the OE cushion was infamous for its "left side lean." Mopar had discontinued their expensive replacement cushion and the only option we had was to develop a seat mould and sell seats. We are pleased that we can now offer this replacement seat cushion for 1998-2002 Dodge Ram trucks.

With the availability of the '98-'02 cushion, we had an outcry from other Turbo Diesel owners that discovered the Mopar cushion for their truck(s) had also been discontinued. First it was the '94-'97 guys, then the '03-'05 customer, then the '06-'09 customer with the cloth and leather interior and now the 2010 and newer trucks. We've continued to develop these high quality replacement cushions for multiple applications.

We expect you'll note the big difference in the weight/heft of our seat cushion versus the Mopar part.



Mopar cushion weight is 3 lbs.



Geno's cushion weight is 5 lbs.

Thank you again for your purchase of the seat cushion. Now, let's get busy installing it in your truck.

(See reverse side.)





Installation: Seat Cushion Replacement

SAFETY STEP: DISCONNECT BATTERY POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE CABLE

We had a customer call in and offer this tip. His concern was the deployment of the air curtain from the side bolster of his late-model (2010-newer) truck. Truthfully, we had not thought of this precautionary step. We've just jumped in and disconnected wiring as needed. The battery disconnect is your call. Now, let's get busy!

STEP 1: REMOVE DRIVER'S SEAT FROM CABIN

At this stage of your truck's life it might be time for a full-blown cabin clean-up. So, removing the driver's seat to do the cushion installation is a good excuse to freshen things up. The seat is easily removed by unbolting the four bolts that hold the seat onto the floor of the truck.

- Unbolt the seat
- Disconnect the wiring for the seat belt chime and/or power controls
- Remove the driver's seat from the cabin. (Careful the seat is heavy.)

STEP 2: REMOVAL OF THE SEAT CUSHION COVER

Whether the seat is on a workbench or in the truck, you will next remove the plastic trim (for power seats) and the seat-back adjustment lever from the left side of the driver's seat.

STEP 3: SEAT BOTTOM REMOVAL



For '94-'02 customers: It is recommended that you remove the entire seat ('94-'97) or seat bottom ('98-'02 Quad Cab) which is attached to a metal frame. You'll note the seat bottom frame is held in place with four 13mm bolts ('94-'97) or 10mm bolts ('98-'02 Quad Cab). Remove the bolts and place the entire seat or seat bottom on your workbench for the next step, removal of the seat cover from the cushion.

For the '03-current trucks: There is not a seat bottom frame to have to deal with, move on to Step 4.

'94-'02 Truck: Removing the seat bottom frame.

STEP 4: REMOVE THE SEAT CUSHION

Next step: remove the seat cover by releasing the J-Clips (front, sides and back) from the metal edges that they overlap.

In removing the J-Clips, we <u>strongly recommend</u> that you put on a pair of gloves to protect your hands. Should your hands slip, the gloves will keep your hands from being cut on sharp metal brackets under the seat.

Use moderate force to push the front of the seat-cushion cover down, then push the J-Clip back from the metal edge that the J-Clip fits over. With the front seat cover released, release the side J-Clips and rear J-Clip ('94-'97).

Now, onto the top-side of the seat cushion cover:

- For '10-'18 customers: This seat cover is held in place with 13 hog rings. Pull the seat cover starting from the back. Moving forward you will find 5 hog rings on each side and 3 at the front. We have included new hog rings or (even better?) nylon zip ties to reattach the seat cover.
- For '94-'02 customers: Pull the seat cover from the back. Moving forward you'll note the velcro strips that hold the cover down. At the front there are 3 hog rings you have to remove to get the front edge of the seat cover off of the cushion. We have included new hog rings or (even better?) nylon zip ties to reattach the seat cover
- For '03-'05 customers: The seat cover is simply held in place with velcro strips.
- For '06-'09: The seat cover is held in place with velcro strips. Note, the cloth seat cover does not have a velcro strip at the front of the cover. The front velcro strip on the cushion can be left in place or removed.

STEP 5: INSTALL NEW SEAT CUSHION AND REINSTALL THE SEAT COVER STEP 6: REINSTALL THE SEAT ONTO BASE OF THE SLIDER

As a side note, no doubt you've noticed how easy this project is to do. If you haven't already, give some thought to adding our "Seat Heater Kit" by Rostra Controls. The seat back is just as easy to remove as the seat cushion and seat heat is a great item to have in those winter months.