

MUD Defender L663 Bulkhead Delete Kit

To remove the bulkhead panel from your Defender Hardtop use the TX30 Torx Key and an 8mm socket. A trim-tool is handy for releasing the trim clips on the B-pillar trim panels once the fasteners have been removed. You will re-use some of the original Tx30 Torx fasteners to fasten the MUD Bulkhead Finishing Trim in place so keep these fasteners to hand.

The MUD Bulkhead Finisher Trim requires no modifications to the vehicle so the factory bulkhead panel can be refitted whenever you want.

To install the MUD Bulkhead Finisher Trim, all you will need is the supplied TX30 Torx key, a 4mm drill and screwdriver.

Removing the bulkhead panel is easy. Methodically work your way around the panel removing the Torx fasteners and 8mm headed fixings holding it in place. Sliding/tilting the seats forward will make accessing the fasteners easier but the lower fasteners on the trim behind the front seats are still a stretch!

- Remove all of the fasteners from the Left & Right Hand B-pillar trim panels within the front cabin area and remove the trims.
- Remove all of the fasteners from the Left & Right Hand B-Pillar trim panels from the loadspace area and remove the trims.
- Remove the metal brackets from the Left & Right Hand B-Pillars from within the loadspace.
- Remove the uppermost fasteners running across the plastic trim panel immediately behind the front seats that contains the storage nets. Loosening the lower fasteners will allow the panel to lean outwards and create some added clearance for your hands.

With all of the fasteners removed, the bulkhead is ready to be removed from the vehicle. The bulkhead panel uses a steel box-section internal structure so is heavy. Another pair of hands will make removal of the bulkhead easier and will help prevent scratches to the internal trim as you manhandle it out of the vehicle.

The MUD Bulkhead Finisher Trim is supplied in two halves with a central U-shaped trim piece. Identify the left and right hand panels.

Fit the M6 Chimney Nuts to the slotted holes in the upright tabs on the steel panel behind the seats. Note that the left and right hand sides use a different number of fasteners.



Lift up the front edge of the loadspace matting. The rearmost edge of the finisher trim sits on the Defender floor underneath the front edge of the matting.



Align the locating pegs in the Defender trim with the holes in the underside of the trim panels.



With the LH & RH trim finishers in place secure the front face of the trim behind the seats by re-using some of the grey coloured M6 Torx fasteners you've removed when removing the bulkhead and trim pieces. Start each fastener in the Chimney nuts but don't tighten them fully until they are all in place.



Where the return lip of the trim sits flat onto the floor of the Defender loadspace, fix into the wooden floor panel using the supplied self-tapping screws.



Tighten down the M6 Torx fasteners behind the seats.



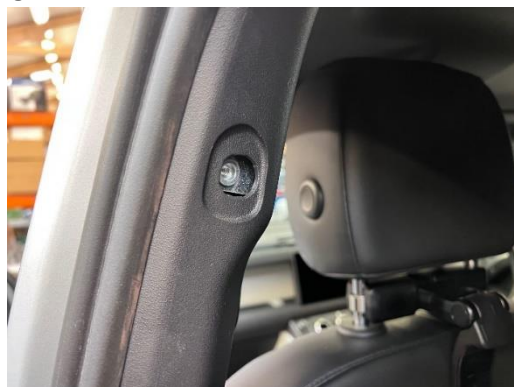
Refit the trim panel containing the storage nets so that it sits snug up against the MUD finishing trim.



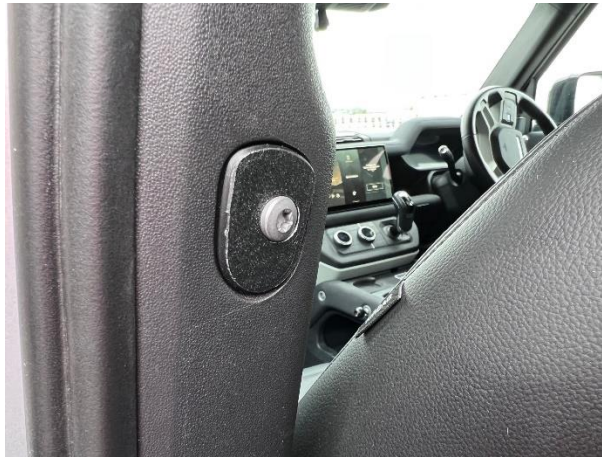
Attach the U-shaped centre trim using the 3m VHRB adhesive sticky pads. We recommend attaching the pads to the Divider and then lowering the U-shaped finisher trim over the top of the trim.



The exposed threaded holes on the B-pillar trim are where the passenger Grab-Handles would normally fit on a regular Defender 110 & 90 passenger car derivative.



Locate the plastic blanking plugs into the recess and fasten using some of the M6 Torx fasteners you saved when removing the bulkhead. Note that there are two different shapes of blanking plugs that fit the upper and lower fixing locations.



Alternatively, you can install the factory fit Grab Handles (available in the MUD store) onto the B Pillar that are used on the regular Defender models with rear seats. The handles can provide an occasional lashing point for securing larger loads.



The Land Rover part number for the grab-handle is LR131989. The same part fits both LH & RH sides.

You'll also need the plastic caps that conceal each fastener in the handles. The Land Rover part number for the plastic caps is LR131991 & LR131993. One of each part number is required per handle. A Grab-Handle kit is available to buy from MUD-UK.

Reuse the longer black Torx fasteners you removed from the metal B pillar brackets to fix the factory grab-handles.

Disclaimer: The MUD Bulkhead Finisher Trim is not intended to offer any structural strength or any form of personal protection to occupants from a shifting load. Always secure any loose items placed in the rear of your vehicle.