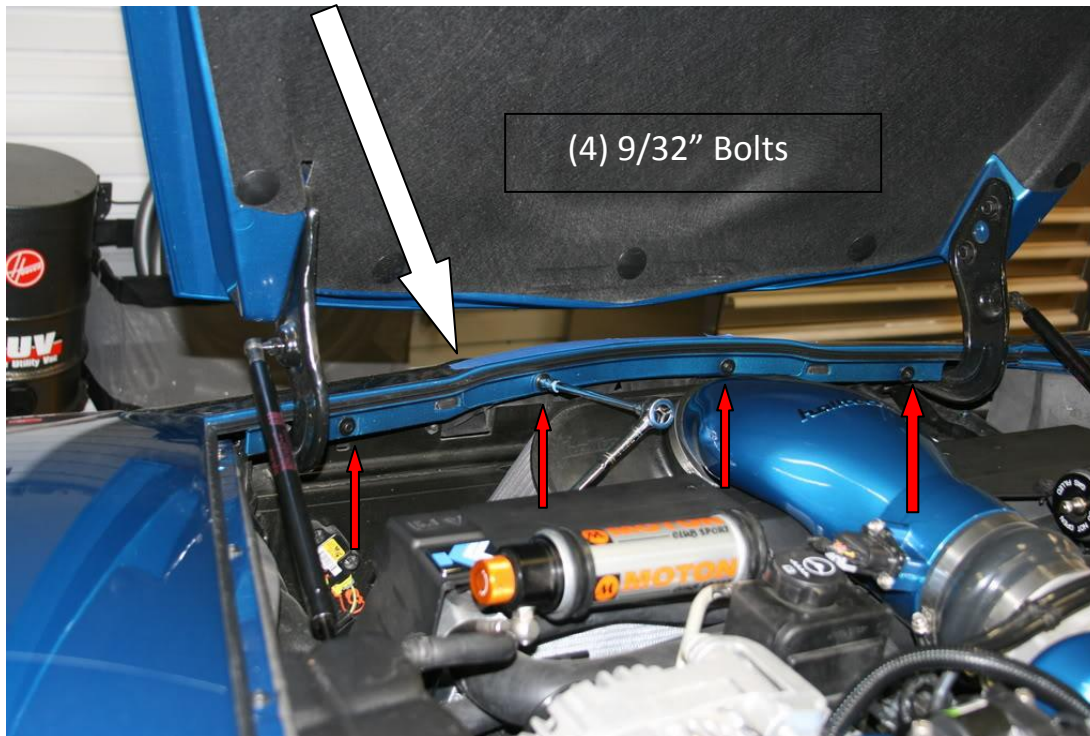


How to pop off the bumper edge from the fender to replace clips/locator

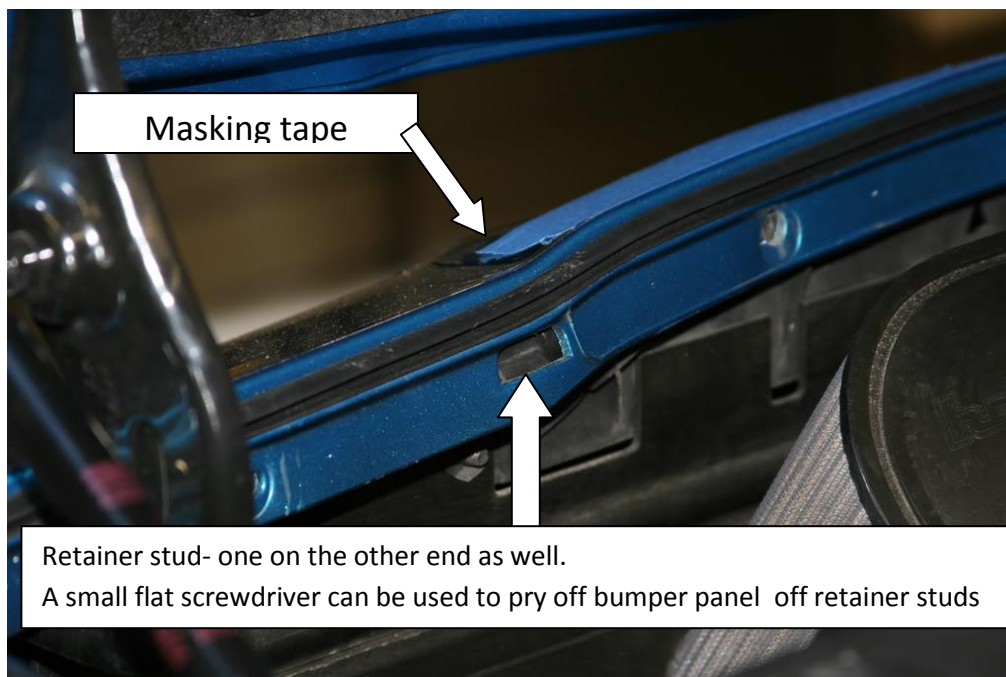
1) Put a cloth over the headlight lens. With a flat screwdriver or plastic trim removal tool, wrapped in a microfiber cloth, wedge it between the edge of the headlight and the bumper cover. Pry up and the bumper cover edge will pop off the fender clips and locator. Pop off both sides.



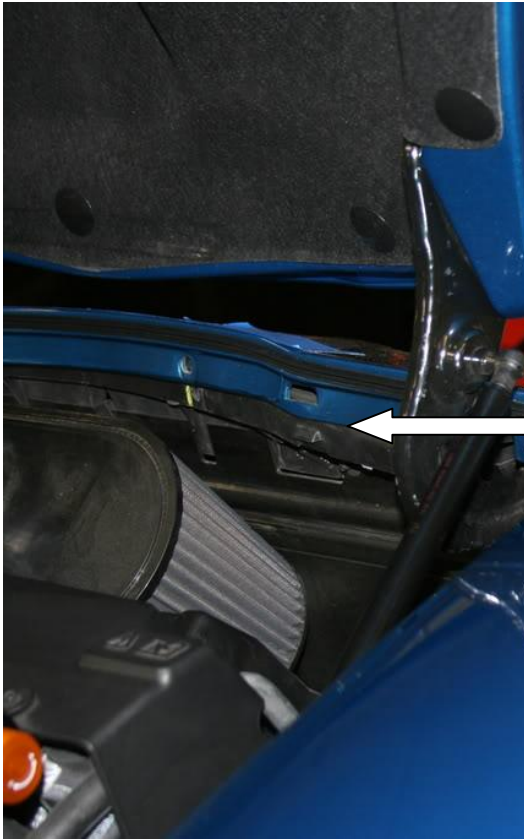
2) Once both sides are popped up from the clips, undo the (4) 9/32" (7mm) bolts that are located on the top portion of the bumper cover. Put masking tape on top of bumper directly under the open hood.



3) Once the 4 bolts are removed, pry the bumper cover off the retained studs.



4) Once the front bumper cover is off the retaining studs, then grab under the edge and pull it up out of the way. This will assure you have enough room to remove the old clip and locator.



Note: The bumper cover is lifted above the retainer to give better access to the clip. The bumper cover can be lifted even higher, off the frame under the cover so it touches under the open hood, hence why the tape is attached initially on top of the bumper directly under the open hood to prevent paint scratches.

5) This shows the clips and locator. You may need a razor knife or small chisel to fit between the panel and plastic clip and locator to cut them away if they are too difficult to be pulled out, which is often the case. Be careful not to cut any of the headlight gasket which is just below the locator in the picture.



Note: Removing the old clip/locator and inserting new ones can be done without lifting the front bumper cover off the retaining studs, but you will have more room to maneuver if you do slide the bumper cover off the retaining studs.