

TECHNICAL BULLETIN



Convertible Soft Top – Replacing Outer Cover – Guidelines

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MODEL 1989-96 MY XJS Convertible DATE 12/97

ISSUE:

The XJS service manual provides a procedure for replacing the soft top outer cover on page 76-105 (Convertible Hood - Canopy 76.86.12). This bulletin provides some additional suggestions for replacing the soft top outer cover.

ACTION:

When replacing the soft top outer cover, refer to 76.86.12 - "Convertible Hood - Canopy" on page 76-105 in the "Supplement For 1993 MY-ON". Note the following suggestions:

- Mark the location of the tonneau loops using masking tape.
- Cut the rear glass out **before** removing the outer cover from the vehicle. This approach provides better support when cutting the sealant and eliminates the steps required to disconnect the rear window frame webbing and links.
- To avoid contact between the rear window frame and the rear seats on 2+2 models, make sure that the pivots of the links for the frame move freely (Illustration 1). Lubricate the pivots, if necessary.
- Loosen the mounting bolts of the lower brackets of the rear window frame links. Slide the lower brackets **completely forward** and tighten the bolts (Illustration 1). This full adjustment range may be necessary later if the material between the frame and the body is wrinkling and needs more tension.

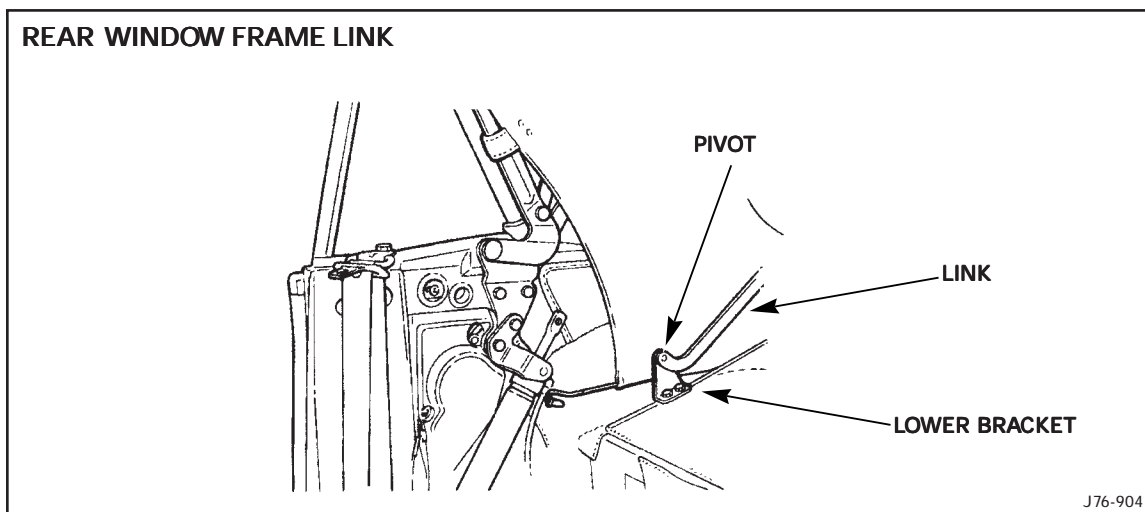


ILLUSTRATION 1

- Apply masking tape to light colored covers to avoid staining the material during installation work.
- An alternative to fabricating the lever tool 'B' (Illustration 2), is to loop a scrap piece of plastic box strapping behind the rear tensioning cable and use it to pull the cable into place in the channel. This avoids the need to pry against the vehicle body.

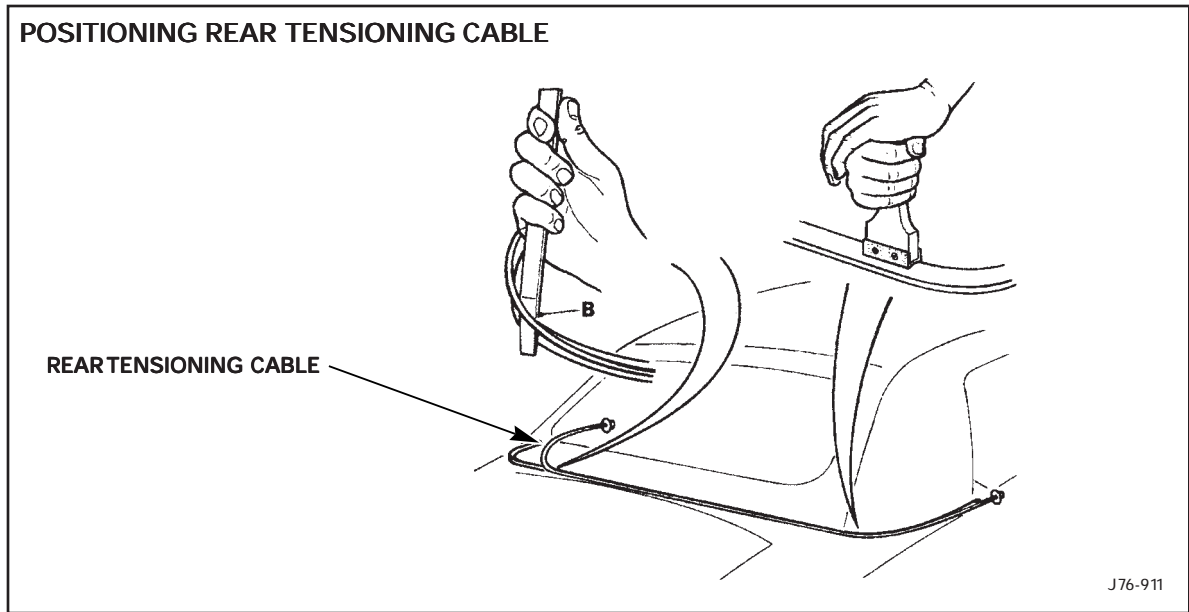


ILLUSTRATION 2

- To achieve a properly centered rear window, observe the caution and note on page 76-108 regarding installation of the rear window glass.
- Use **stainless steel** staples when securing the top cover to the rear window frame to prevent rusting.

WARRANTY INFORMATION:

| FAULT CODE | R. O. NUMBER | DESCRIPTION | TIME ALLOWANCE |
|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| WR BB ** | 76.86.12 | Convertible top outer fabric - renew | 6.0 hrs. |

Note: Jaguar Cars will credit a sublet amount up to \$25 for materials such as adhesives, glass primer, etc.