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The rear stationary roof panel on 1963 model station wagons is removed and installed as follows:

Removal

1. Lower the tailgate window and open the tailgate.
2. Protect the floor covering in the rear compartment.
3. Remove the rear quarter window garnish moldings, except the lower one.
4. Remove both rear headlining metal end covers and vertical inside tailgate window opening moldings.
5. Remove the top and side tailgate window run channel assembly.
6. Release the rear edge of the headlining from the run channel retainer reinforcement and at both rear corner pads.
7. Remove the right and left tailgate window run channel retainer reinforcements.
8. Release the cemented headlining from the sides to the rear of the headlining retainer on each side.
9. Release the rear headlining and bow assembly from the headlining listing bow support.
10. Release the next three headlining bows to gain access to the stationary rear roof panel attaching brackets.
11. Remove the four corner and two side retainer brackets.
12. Loosen the roof panel and move it downward and forward, then carefully remove the assembly from the vehicle.

WEATHERSEAL AND ADHESIVE SEALER REMOVAL

1. Remove the original weatherseal and adhesive from the roof panel.

2. Remove all existing sealer from the main roof adjacent to the original weatherseal contact area.
3. Remove the original corner weatherseals and sealing compound from the area of the main roof panel opening from corners.

WEATHERSEAL AND ADHESIVE SEALER INSTALLATION

NOTE: The area where the new seals and resealing will be applied must be clean and free of any remains of the original seal or sealer.

1. Apply a smooth thin coat of weatherseal cement on the roof panel in the area for the new weatherseal.
2. Apply a similar quantity of weatherseal cement to the back of the weatherseal and permit the coated surfaces to become "tacky".
3. Install the new weatherstrip on the roof panel.
4. Install the main roof panel corner "L" shaped seals in the same manner. Fit them properly on to the main roof reinforcement panel.
5. Apply an extruded bead of sealer about 3/8" diameter in a continuous strip completely across the front and extending rearward about 7". This sealer should be placed on top of the roof panel weatherseal in the depression of the rubber.
6. Apply an extruded bead of windshield sealer on top and towards inside of the weatherseal starting at one rear end and continuing the full length and width of the seal and ending up at the opposite end of the weatherseal.
7. Apply a generous portion of soft bedding putty on the roof panel and reinforcement around the "L" shaped weatherseal and rearward towards the opening.
8. Carefully inspect, and reseal, if necessary, the exposed ends of the front opening molding retainer clips.

Installation

1. Carefully place the rear roof panel into position before actually permitting the roof panel and sealer to contact to avoid smearing.
2. Align the rear end of the roof panel, then push it upward into place and support it there. Do not allow it to shift.
3. Install the right and left tailgate window run channel retainer supports.
4. Install the corner and side brackets and retainer screws, then tighten them securely.
5. Let the installed assembly rest in the secured position a short time, then clean off the excess sealer.

6. Install the respective headlining bows and headlining in their original position.
7. Position the rear bow to catch on the headlining bow supports.
8. Cement the headlining edges into the quarter window opening flange on both sides.
9. Recement the rear edge of the headlining to the tailgate run channel retainer and vertical channel.
10. Fit the headlining around and under the rear corner pads.
11. Install the rear headlining metal end covers.
12. Install the tailgate window run and inside window opening vertical moldings.
13. Install both rear quarter window garnish moldings.
14. Remove the floor covering and clean up surplus sealer, etc.
15. Close the tailgate and raise the window.

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1. Install the respective headlight and headlight in their original position.
2. Position the rear view mirror on the headlight post supports.
3. Connect the lighting wires into the quarter window opening. There are four wires.
4. Connect the rear edge of the headlight to the tailpipe run channel bracket and vertical channel.
5. Fit the headlight around and under the rear window panel.
6. Install the rear headlight metal end covers.
7. Install the lighting wires and install window panel.
8. Install the rear quarter window channel brackets.
9. Remove the floor covers and clean up surplus wires, etc.
10. Close the tailpipe and return the window.