

How To: Boot badge replacement

I started with the new badge- came in two pieces and cost approx £40 from the dealer.



Here's the manky old one!



First thing to do is take the trim off the inside of the boot. Note: the outside grommets come away easily but the middle one requires a bit of force as it is a round peg in a square hole.



Next I removed the catch (two T30 torx screws) and you'll need to take out the rubber grommet circled in red.



The badge is held on with three T20 screws - the first two are easy to spot:



Note the positioning of the linkage.

The third screw is hidden away. You access it from the hole where rubber grommet was. You'll need a proper torx screwdriver as a socket set wont get in there. Access is created by moveing the central locking solenioid into the locked position.



The inside of the lock will pull away and the outside peel off:



Getting the inside of the lock out of the space is a bit tricky as the linkage gets in the way but a minute of fiddling and out it comes.



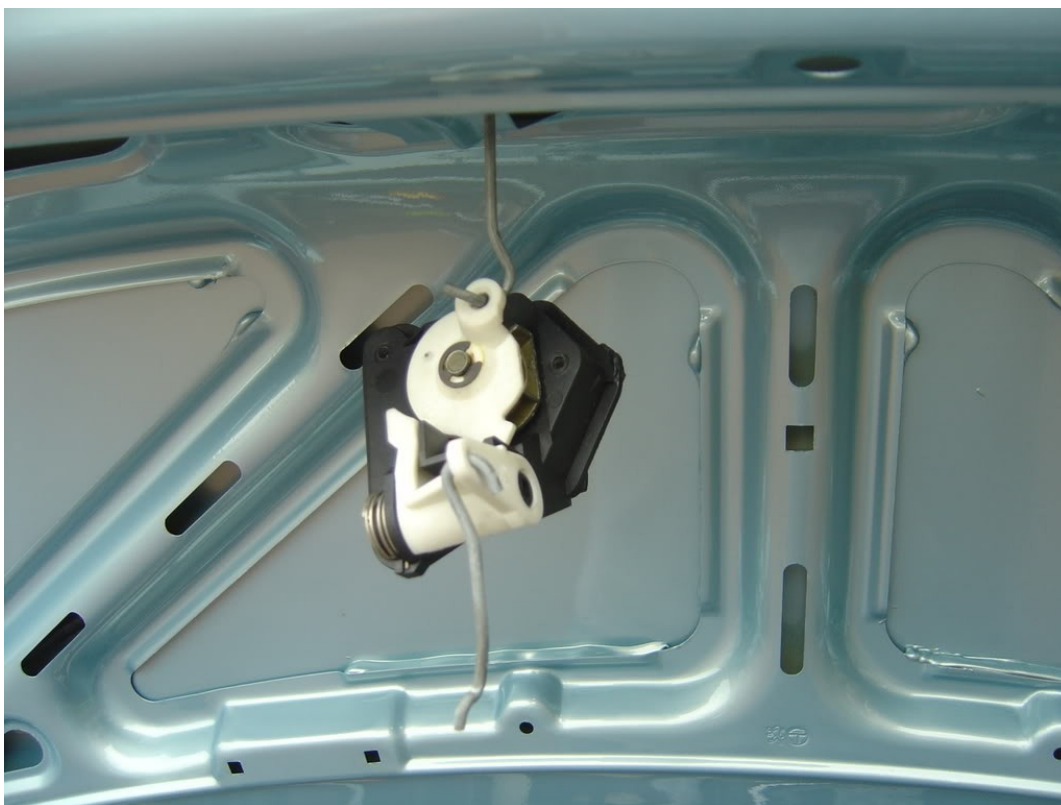
The new button fascia was attached to a chunk of metal that attaches to the lock:



But if you're careful you can prise off the fascia and replace it on your old lock therefore removing the need to dismantle the lock.



Refitting, as they say, is the reverse of removal. I started by putting the linkage together before putting the lock back in.



Put the new outside badge on, tighten up the three screws and voila...







(You can also see my new french plates and european surround).

A few notes:

I would seriously take pictures of how everything goes together as it is very easy to get the linkage wrong and not be able to open the boot!

Test it all before you screw it back together. Sounds obvious but I managed to get the linkage wrong first time. If I had shut the boot I'd be in real trouble.

If I did it again I would put a piece of masking tape on the new button before fitting it as I was hampered by trying not to scratch it.

The alignment of the two pieces will look all wrong before you tighten it up. Have faith and it'll sort out as you get to the final turns.