

## EXTERIOR MOLDINGS

Basically there are three (3) methods of retaining outside moldings on body panels on 1953 open bodies.

1. Snap-on-clips which are either installed into holes in the body panel and the molding snapped over the clips; or the clips are positioned into the molding and then snapped into the holes.
2. Screw-on-clips which are screwed on to the body panel and the molding snapped over the clips, or at the hemming flanges of body panels, the clips are positioned to the molding, then screws attached through the hemming flange with the molding in position.
3. Bolts, nuts and rubber washers-Bolts are inserted into flange of molding, then the bolts with molding attached are inserted through holes in body panel and secured with rubber washers and nuts from the opposite side of panel.

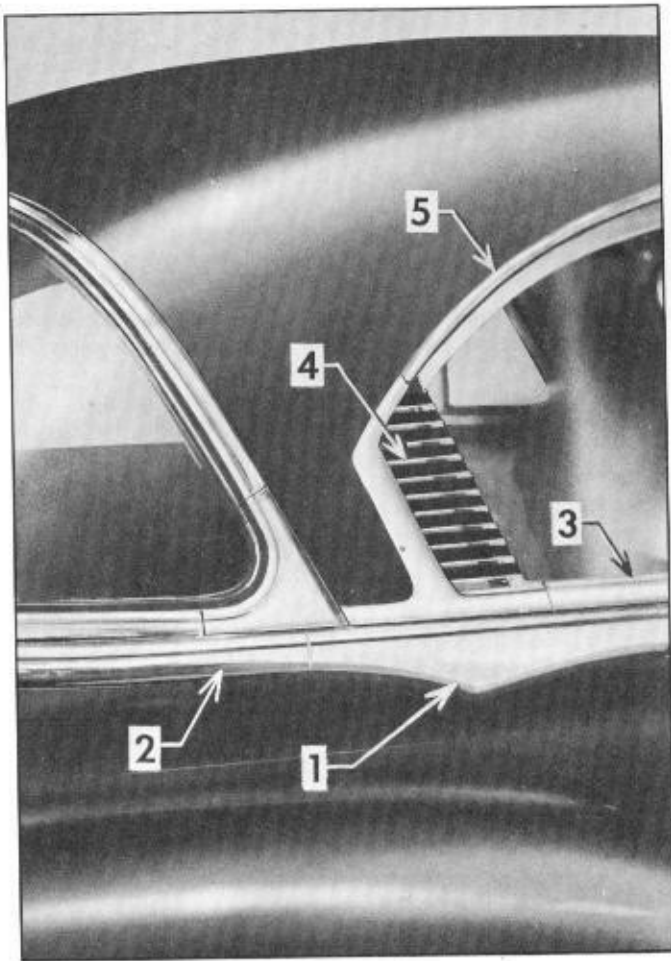
NOTE: The area around each clip hole, before molding installation, must be sealed with 3-M Autobody Sealer or its equivalent. Molding clips damaged during removal should be replaced with new clips to insure proper retention of molding.

### UPPER REAR QUARTER OUTSIDE MOLDINGS

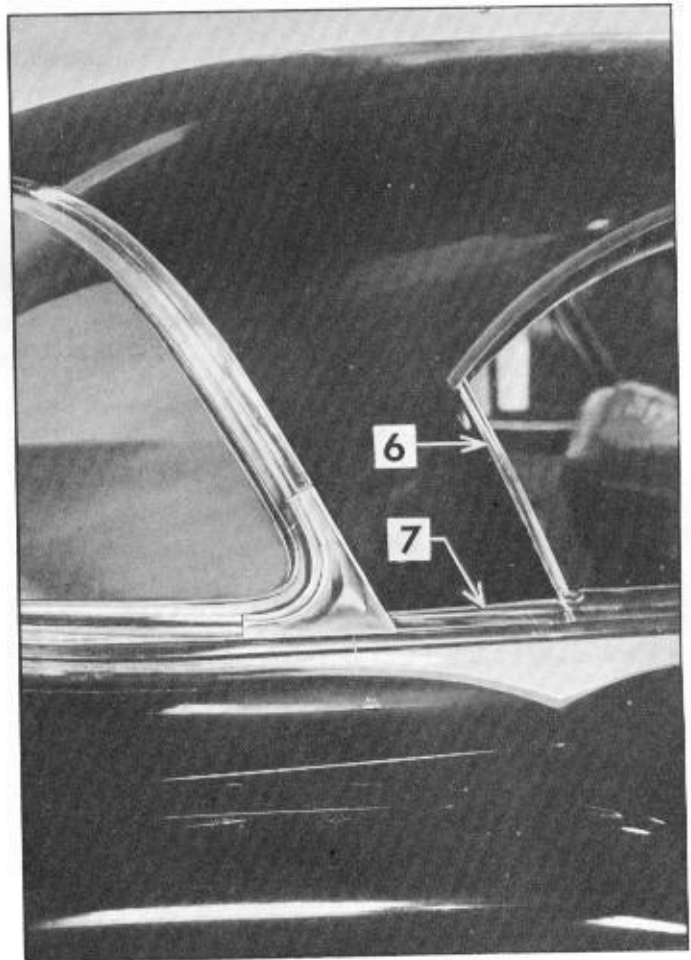
#### REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION

In the illustration below the moldings may be identified as follows:

1. Rear quarter belt molding (Front or Chevron Section).
2. Rear quarter belt molding (Rear Section).
3. Rear quarter window lower reveal.
4. Rear quarter side outer upper molding.
5. Drip molding scalp.
6. Rear quarter window rear reveal molding.
7. Rear quarter reveal molding.



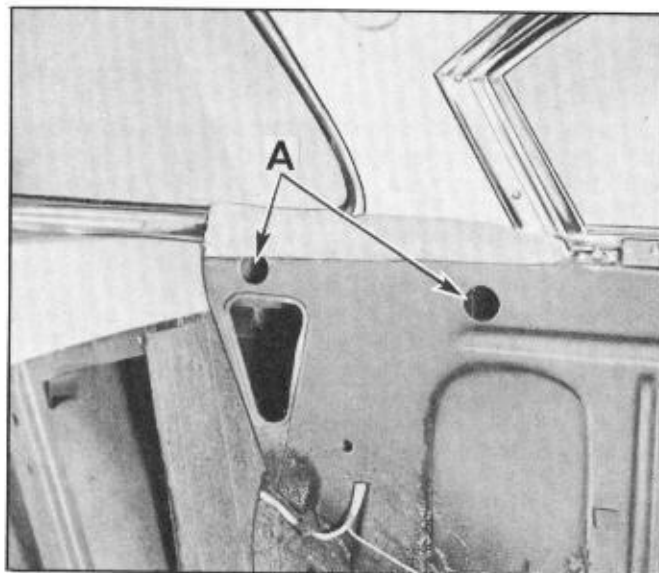
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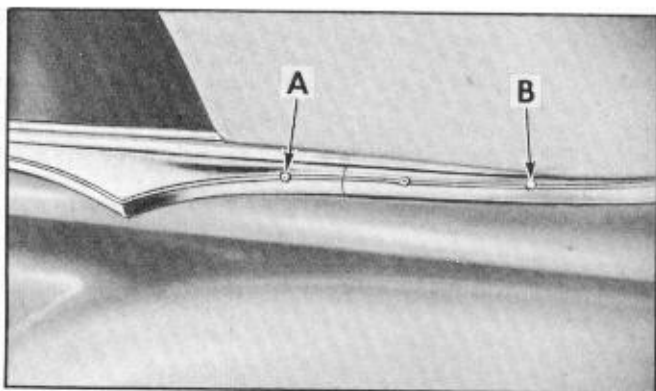
## REAR QUARTER BELT MOLDING (CATALINA STYLES)

1. Remove the rear seat cushion and back and the quarter window garnish molding.
2. Loosen the top of the rear quarter trim pad and headlining in this area and through the access holes "A" remove two (2) nuts and rubber washers.
3. On the outside of the body carefully insert a thin-bladed tool under the chevron section of molding and unsnap the clips with molding attached, from the body.
4. Raise the rear compartment lid and along the upper inside belt area remove the belt molding retaining nuts and rubber washers.
5. Remove the one (1) screw at the front of the rear section of belt molding and remove the molding from the body.
6. To install reverse the above procedure. Seal all bolt, clip and screw holes with 3-M Autobody Sealer or its equivalent.



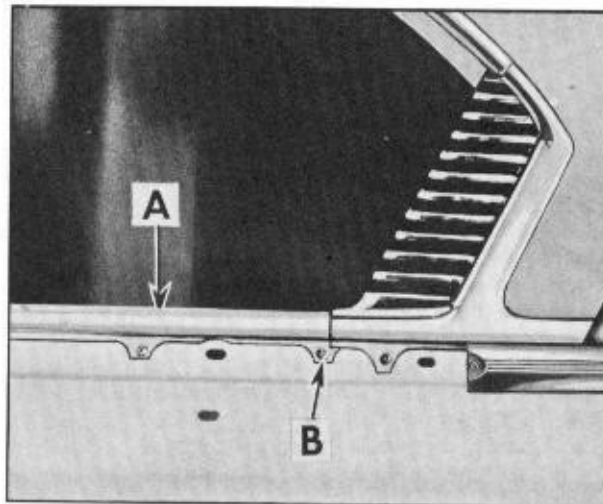
## REAR QUARTER BELT MOLDING (CONVERTIBLE)

1. Remove the one (1) boot fastener "A" at the rear of the chevron section of the belt molding.
2. Carefully insert a thin-bladed molding tool under the chevron section of molding and unsnap the clips with molding attached, from the body.
3. Remove all boot fasteners except the third (3rd) one from the front "B", and remove the rear section of the belt molding from the body.
4. To install reverse the above procedure. Seal all clip and screw holes with 3-M Autobody Sealer or its equivalent.



## REAR QUARTER WINDOW LOWER REVEAL

1. Remove the chevron section of the rear quarter belt molding as described above. On the convertible also loosen the front end of the rear quarter belt molding to gain access to the reveal rear screw.
2. With the rear quarter window in a partly closed position, remove the quarter window frame weatherstrip by sliding it from the window frame channel.
3. Remove attaching screws "A" at the rear quarter window opening and screws "B" at the rear quarter outer panel and remove the quarter window lower reveal.
4. To install reverse this procedure. Seal all bolt, clip and screw holes with 3-M Autobody Sealer or its equivalent.



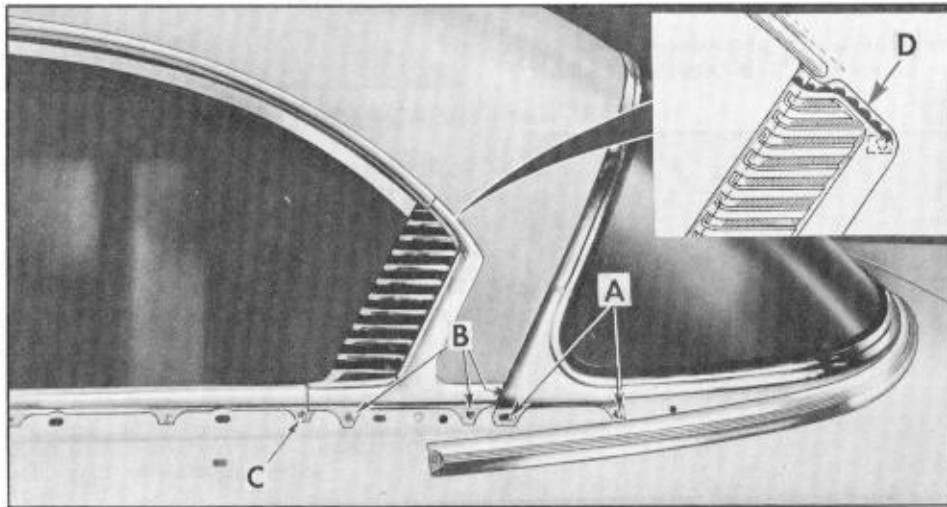
## DRIP MOLDING SCALP (CUSTOM CATALINA)

1. Remove the rain deflector.
2. With a wide-bladed putty knife carefully pry the lower edge of the scalp molding out and up, working along the entire length of the molding until the scalp molding is free of the drip molding. Extreme care must be exercised to prevent kinking of the scalp molding during this operation.
3. To install place the scalp molding in position over the drip molding and using the palm of the hand carefully tap along the lower edge until the scalp molding is securely attached to the drip molding. Reseal and replace rain deflector.

## REAR QUARTER SIDE OUTER UPPER MOLDING

(CUSTOM CATALINA)

1. Inside the body remove the rear seat cushion and back, quarter window finishing molding, back window corner and upper garnish moldings and the side roof rail rear corner escutcheon and rear molding. Loosen the headlining in this area and through the access hole remove the one (1) side outer upper molding nut and rubber washer.
2. From inside the body under the corner of the back window rubber glass channel remove the back window corner reveal molding upper retaining nut. Also remove the quarter window rear inner and outer draft strip retained by three screws.
3. From outside the body remove the rear quarter belt molding chevron section and loosen the rear quarter belt molding part way around the back window.
4. Remove two (2) screws "A" and remove the back window corner reveal molding. (See illustration below)
5. Remove three (3) screws "B" and remove the rear quarter side outer upper molding by pulling forward.
6. To install reverse this procedure. Seal all bolt, clip and screw holes with 3-M Autobody Sealer or its equivalent. Seal along top of molding as indicated at "D" in the illustration inset.



## REAR QUARTER REVEAL MOLDING

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1. Inside the body remove the back window lower corner garnish molding and from under the rubber glass channel remove the back window lower corner reveal molding nut.
2. Remove the belt molding chevron section. Loosen the quarter window lower reveal molding rear screw "C" and loosen the belt molding rear section part way around the back window to gain access to the back window corner reveal molding screws "A".
3. Remove the back window corner reveal molding and remove the rear quarter reveal molding retained by three (3) screws "B".
4. To install reverse this procedure. Seal all screw or bolt holes with 3-M Autobody Sealer or its equivalent.

## DOOR WINDOW REVEAL MOLDING

1. Remove the ventilator assembly, door glass and belt molding (See Fisher Service News No. 2).
2. Remove seven (7) screws at the door outer panel and six (6) screws at the window opening and remove the reveal molding.
3. To install reverse this procedure. Seal as specified in sealing operations on door inner panel and belt molding installation.

## REAR QUARTER WINDOW REAR REVEAL MOLDING

(DELUXE CATALINA)

1. Inside the body remove the side roof rail rear corner escutcheon and rear molding.
2. Remove the quarter window rear inner and outer draft strips.
3. Remove two (2) screws at the quarter window rear opening and remove the Rear Reveal Molding.
4. To install reverse the above procedure.

## FRONT END BELT MOLDING

### REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION

1. Perform steps 6, 7 and 8 as described in windshield removal and installation procedure in this service news.
2. To install, first apply a bead of 3-M Autobody Sealer or its equivalent around bolt holes and screw holes, also apply sealer in outer ends of belt molding; then reverse steps 6, 7 and 8 of Windshield Removal.

NOTE: All other exterior moldings are removed and installed in the same manner as described in Fisher Service News No. 2 for closed body styles.

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