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Belt Rail Kit Installation Instructions For 1994 Defender 90

Safety Warning: This job requires the use of safety goggles for your eye protection while drilling holes.

Tools Required: Rivet gun, 3/8" Drill, 3/16" drill bit, #RNC690 rivets, silicon sealant

Procedure

1) Remove rear speakers from rear body quarter panels to protect from drilling debris.



- **2)** Remove old snaps from factory canvas system on rear body, by drilling out *(see figure 1)*. Plug holes with silicon *(see figure 2)*, be sure to smooth flush with body. Do Not use rivets to fill the holes, as they will interfere with soft top installation.
- **3)** Drill a hole between each set of holes on the 2 longest rails (side rails) to strengthen the attachment. A 3/16" drill bit will work for the #RNC690 rivets. This is necessary due to



Figure 2

the fact that the top is so robust and needs to have the additional support (see figure 3).





Figure 3

4) Place side belt rail on the vehicle directly under capping. NOTE: the welds on the capping will create a gap which could be eliminated by carefully scribing the rail and filing to fit. Position side belt rail 1/16" behind door opening and drill the first hole and rivet (see figure 4A).



Figure 4A - driver's side belt rail installed.



Figure 4 - back end of belt rail

- **5)** Make sure the back of the belt rail is in position and then drill and rivet. Finish the remaining rivets (see figure 4 & 4A).
- **6)** Repeat for the other side.

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Note: The 2 rear belt rails will need spacer washers so they will sit flat.



Figure 5 - use existing hole location in rear drivers side quarter panel for locating.



Figure 5A - rear driver's side belt rail installed with washers behind the left side 2 rivets.



Passenger side belt rail installed.

- **7)** Place the 3 hole belt rail under capping on rear driver's side 1/16" from tailgate and drill the 3 holes (see figure 5).
- **8)** Before mounting on vehicle put rivets in holes on belt rail and spacing washers on left side 2 rivets so belt rail will sit flat. Carefully position assembly back into proper holes and rivet (*see figure 5A*).
- **9)** Take the last belt rail (shortest) and place under capping on rear passenger side. Position it 1/16" from hinge and drill 2 holes. Remove rail and place 2 rivets in holes and one spacer washer over rivet. Carefully position assembly back onto vehicle and rivet (see figure 6).
- **10)** You are now ready to install the soft top (RNA90ST).

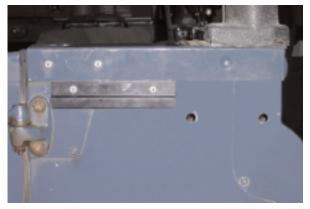


Figure 6 - rear passenger side belt rail installed with washers behind the right rivet. Note: shown with rear spare tire mount off of vehicle.

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