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TURBO
MESH GRILL DIY



So here is how to remove your front bumper cover, clean the trash from the radiators, make some mesh aluminum grills, and reassemble. My car is a 2007 Porsche 997 Twin Turbo, but should be similar to other models.....I am certainly no expert as you will see. My car was filthy from getting caught in snow and salt (embarrassing!), and this is a do-it-yourself that shows how I did it. Do these at your own risk, take a different approach, use different materials, or whatever you like....This is simply documenting how I did mine. If it helps great! If you know a better way...Great...knock yourself out! I also did this while it was snowing and 10 degrees outside, so it was double fun! Thankfully had a heater in my garage.

Hope this helps someone, and that is the only reason I am writing up this DIY.....Good luck to you if you try it!...



First, I jacked up the car and removed the front wheels



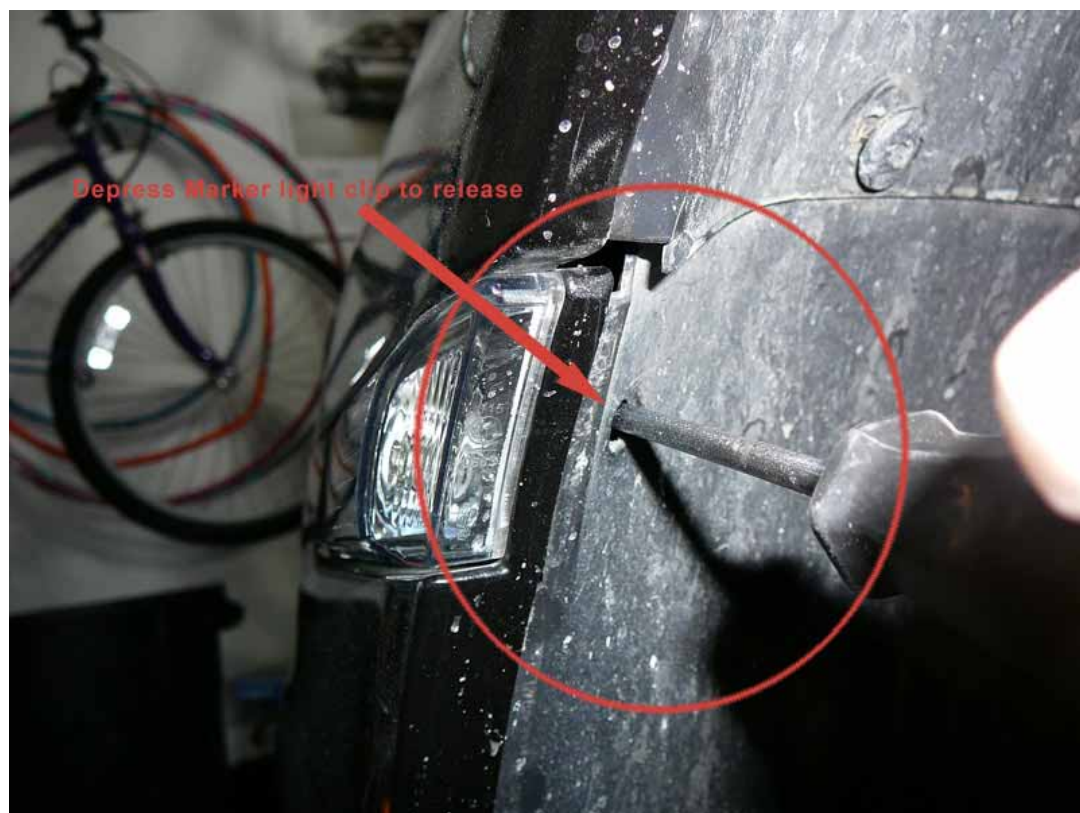
Next, I removed the wheel aprons for easy access to plugs etc.



Note there are more screws under the bumper cover as well...And continue across the front of the car, and remove all bumper cover screws...



Also remove side marker lights, now or before apron...Order is not important, pictures show removing with apron on

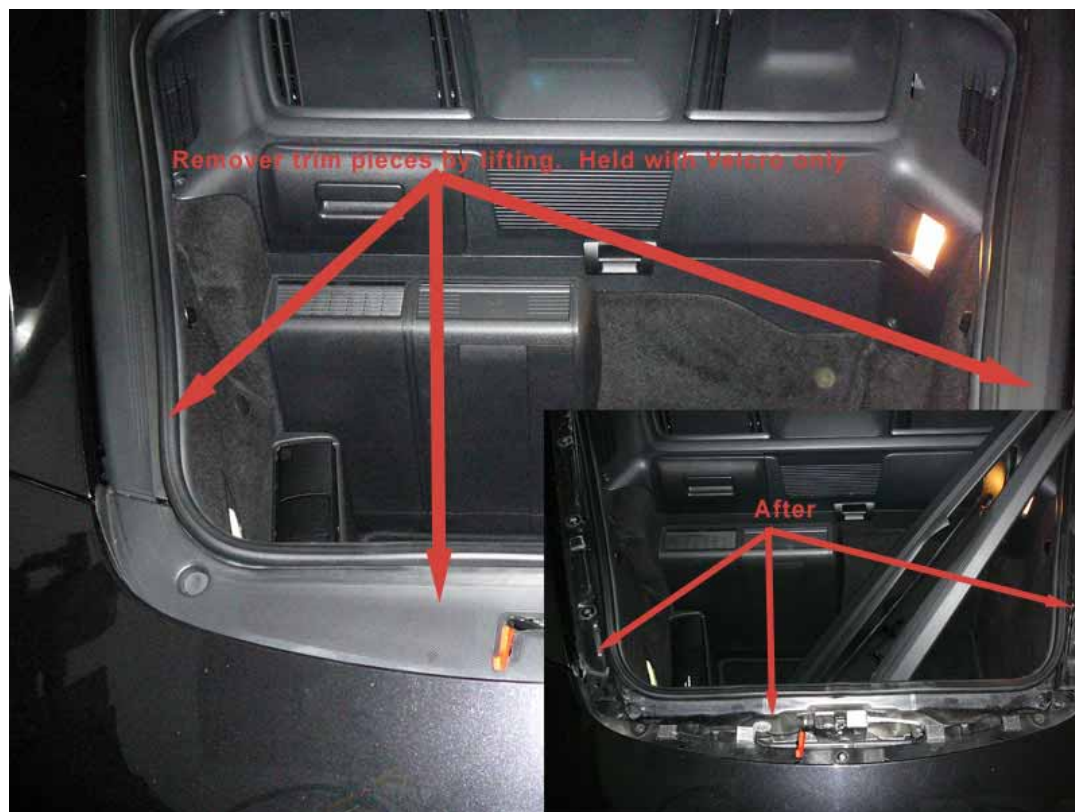




Now for the hidden screws under the side markers...This is the last thing holding the sides of the bumper cover on....One on each side



Now lets move to the bonnet and remove the trim covers and the remaining bumper cover screws... Trim is just held with velcro as you would expect for a \$140K car..... right ? :) After trim is gone remove the 3 screws....



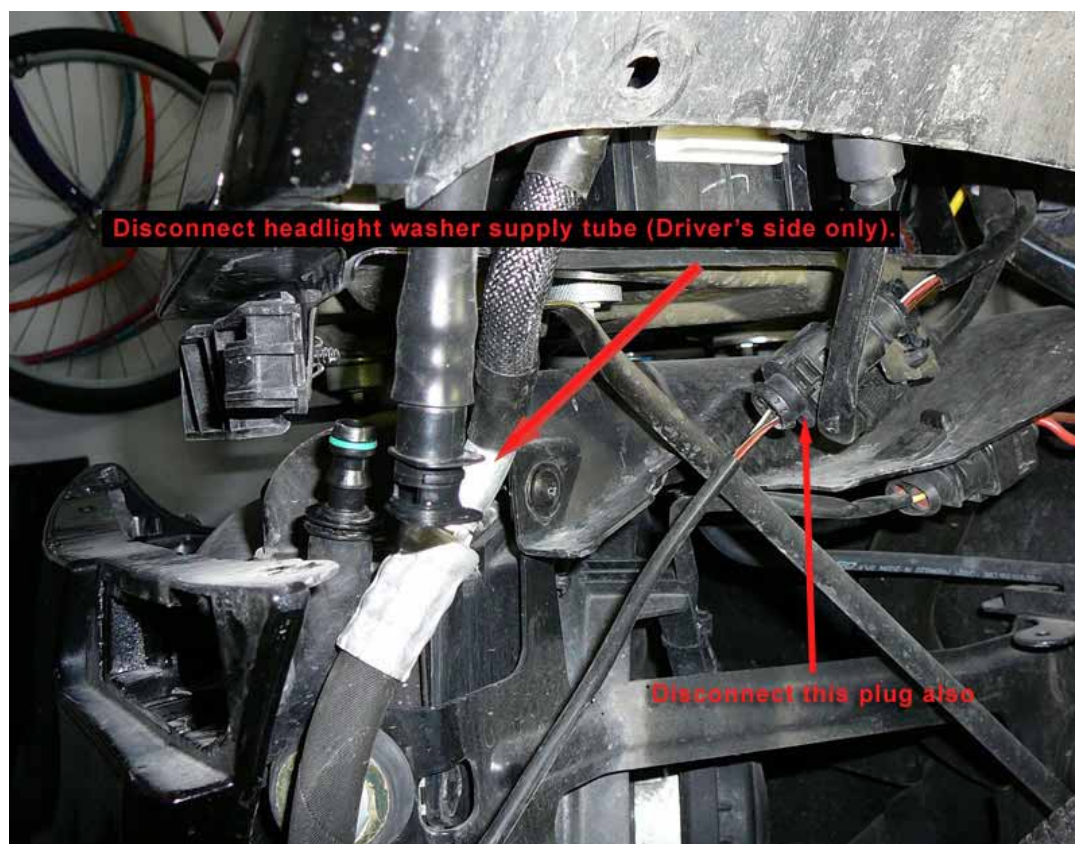
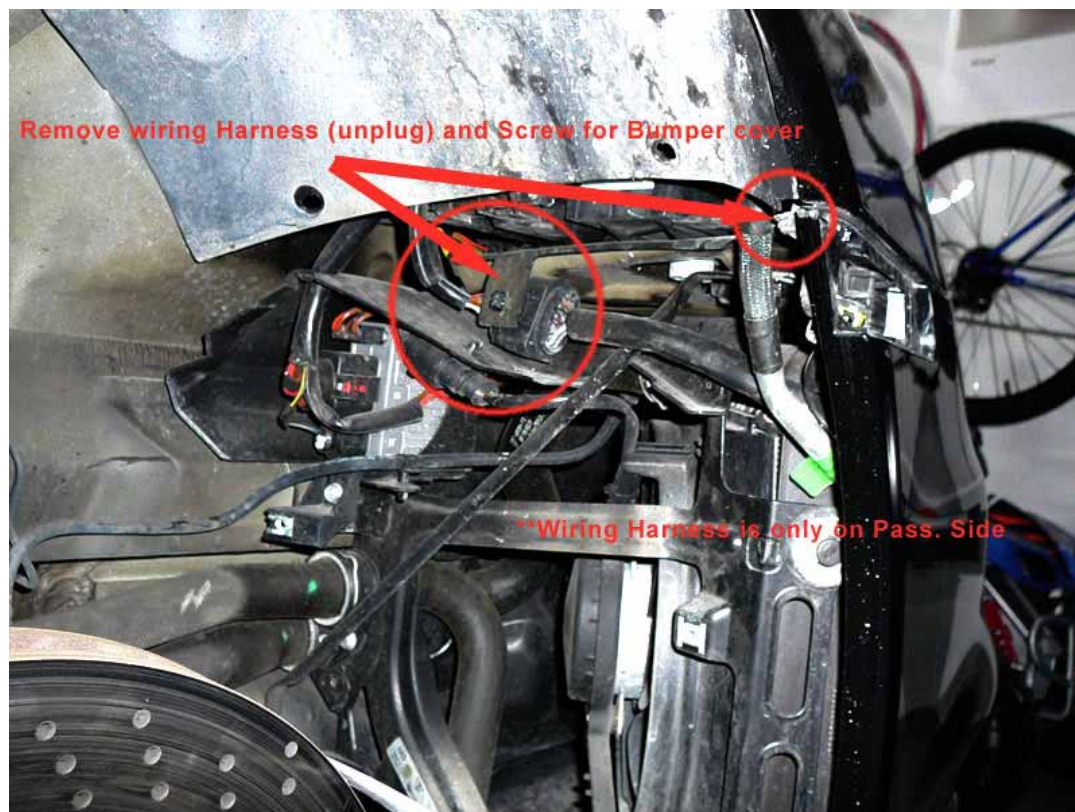
I also removed the headlights for easy access and to reduce the chance of damaging them, or the cover..Seemed to make it easier... You decide.



Now let's start unplugging things so we can pull this bad boy off of the car!.....

On the passenger side you will need to unplug the big wiring harness...It helps to remove it from the holder first.

Next....On the driver side you need to unplug the headlight washer hose and a small wiring harness as shown below...



Now you will need to remove two clips from near the headlights...After that you can pull the bumper cover gently forward to remove. I made a simple tool from a hanger to pull these clips out...You really have to pull hard and be careful not to scratch your car.. There is one on each side



My special tool :)



So now you can pull your cover off. If you have a beer to offer a neighbor and can get them to help...It goes easier....No such luck for me since I don't drink...And my neighbor is a terd anyway :) I also think you will enjoy my special tool used to hold the cover while you work on it....Laugh all you want :) It works great.... I used an old garbage can (you can use a new one if you like) and some lawn cushions. It holds it in place and does not scratch it!



OK....NEVER EVER take your bumper cover off without cleaning your radiators while you are at it! So pull off the rubber covers held with torx screws, and separate, brush, vacuum, wash...whatever you choose. There is usually lots of crap in there depending on where you live...leaves, rocks, corn, birds, etc.



And clean!