

FOLDING TOP MANUAL LIFT ASSEMBLY ALL CONVERTIBLE BODIES WITH MANUALLY OPERATED FOLDING TOPS

DESCRIPTION

The manual lift assembly incorporates a dual-action heavy duty spring which helps compensate for the weight of the folding top mechanism when the top is at or near the full up or full folded positions. When the top is in the up position, the spring is under compression; when it is in the folded or stacked position, the spring is under tension.

CAUTION: Do not attempt to detach lift assembly when spring is under tension or compression.

REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION

1. On all styles remove rear seat cushion and back and folding top compartment side trim panel assembly on side affected. On "F" Body Styles only, remove the body lock pillar to

main hinge support extension brace.

2. Move top to midway position to relieve the manual lift springs. If both lift assemblies are to be serviced, have helper support folding top or place supporting props under front roof rail.
3. Remove attaching nut, bolt, bushing and washer from upper end of lift assembly.
4. Remove inner and outer bolt securing lift assembly to male hinge; then remove assembly from body (Fig. 13-74 for "A" Body and Fig. 13-75 for "F" Body).
5. To install manual lift assembly, reverse removal procedure. Operate folding top assembly down and up several times to insure proper operation.

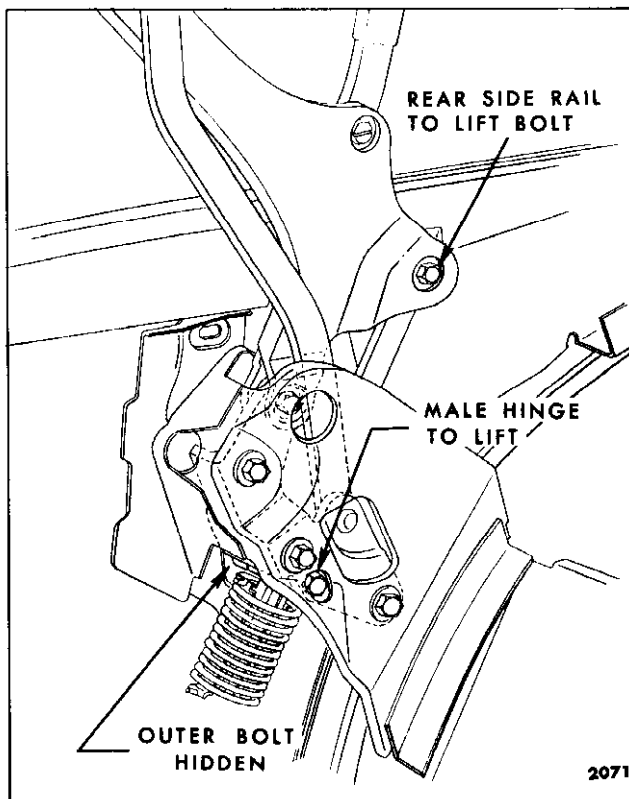


Fig. 13-74—"A" Body Manual Lift Assembly

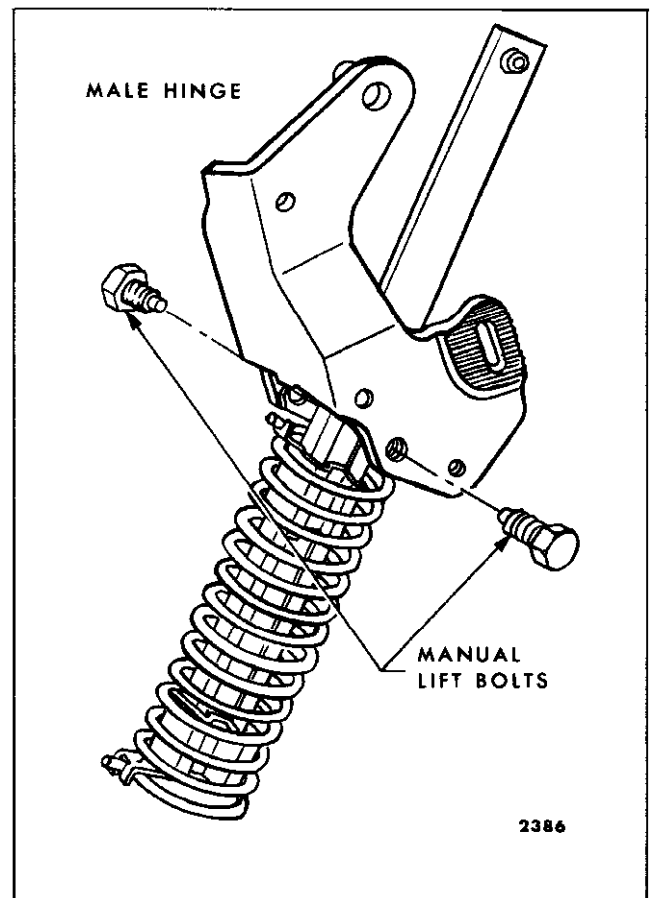


Fig. 13-75—Manual Lift Attachment

FOLDING TOP CATCH CLIPS

The folding top catch clips snap over the folding top side roof center rails when the top is being lowered to the folded or stacked position. The catch clips prevent the spring-loaded manual lift arms from raising the top from this position. In order to

raise the top, both catch clips must be disengaged from the side roof center rails. Each catch clip is attached to the folding top compartment side panels by two screws. Any adjustments made to change stack height of the folding top (See "Folding Top Adjustments") require corresponding adjustments to the catch clips.