



BX3816

1998 Volkswagon Passat Installation Instructions

The turn signal assemblies and the plastic bumper need to be removed. The actual metal bumper can be removed also as an option.

1. Open the hood and find the plastic release handle that is behind each blinker assembly and release it. Slide each blinker out.
2. To remove the plastic bumper molding remove the T25 Torax head bolts. There are five inner Torax bolts. Remove the two rubber pieces from the top of the bumper molding, be careful not to break the release handle. NOTE: You may want to remove the latch release handle by removing the center pin and pulling the handle off the latching bracket.
3. Remove the six T25 Torax head bolts connecting the fender well molding to the bumper molding. Pull the fender well molding back and remove the T25 Torax head bolt from each corner.
4. Remove the three flat head screws from the bottom of the bumper molding. You should now be able to pull the plastic molding from the frame. NOTE: An option that might make it easier to install the baseplate is if the metal bumper is removed. To remove the metal bumper, remove the 10mm bolts holding it to the frame brackets.
5. Notice and remove from each side the three T45 Torax head bolts on the flat bumper brackets. These bolts will not be use for the baseplate installation. Hold the baseplate up the bolt holes and use the 8mm-1.25 x 45mm bolts and lock washers.

Dimensional variations between otherwise identical cars can be considerable. While the location and size of the holes in the baseplate were designed to allow for easy installation, it may be necessary to file a hole slightly. **Use Loctite to ensure the bolts do not loosen while the car is being towed.**

6. Hold the bumper up to its original position and mark areas needed to be trimmed to allow the attachment tabs to extend through the grill.
7. Replace the bumper molding, the upper rubber pieces and the latch release lever.
8. Install the tow bar and safety cables according to the instructions included in their packages. Do not substitute other devices if the tow bar pin and clip are lost.
9. **DEALER OR INSTALLER: BE CERTAIN THE USER RECEIVES THE INSTRUCTION SHEET.**

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Tools Required

13MM Socket	Torax T27 Socket	Loctite	Long Extension
Torax T45 Socket	Torax T25 Socket	Utility Knife	Phillips Screwdriver

Parts List

Ref. No.	Qty.	Part No.	Description
1	1	61-5291	Weldment Baseplate, BX3816
2	6	201-0419	8mm-1.25 x 50mm Hex Bolt, Grade 8.8
3	6	202-0118	8mm-1.25 Hex Nut
4	6	203-0102	8mm Lock Washer
5	6	203-0107	8mm Flat Washer
	2	226-0046	Baseplate Safety Cable, 36" CL III (Not Shown)
	2	229-0359	Quicklink, 3/8, ZP (Not Shown)

