

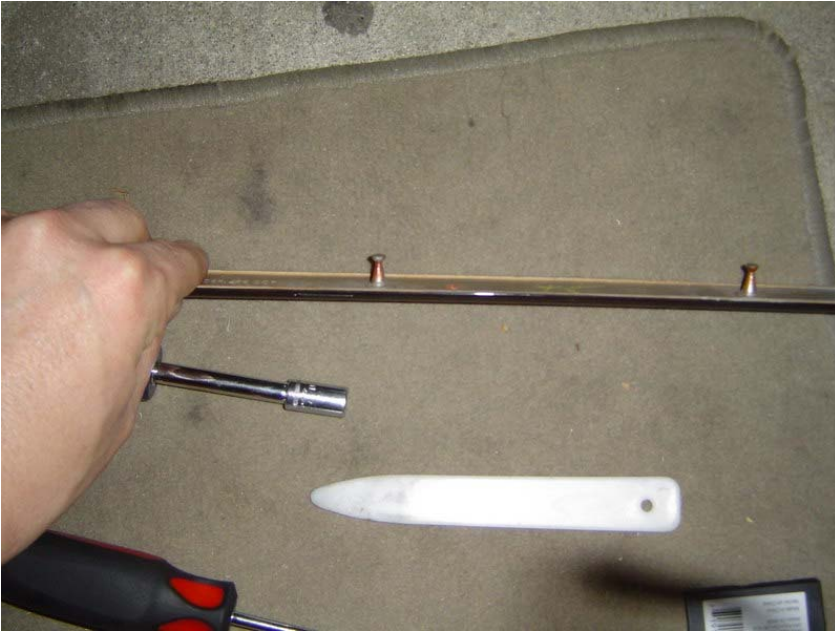
## ***Facelift S8/A8 Removing Wood Trim***

Tools Needed:

1. Nylon Trim Stick
2. Philips Head Screwdriver
3. 5 and 6 mm allen heads
4. Small Torx screwdriver if removing emergency flasher switch

### **Front and Rear Doors:**

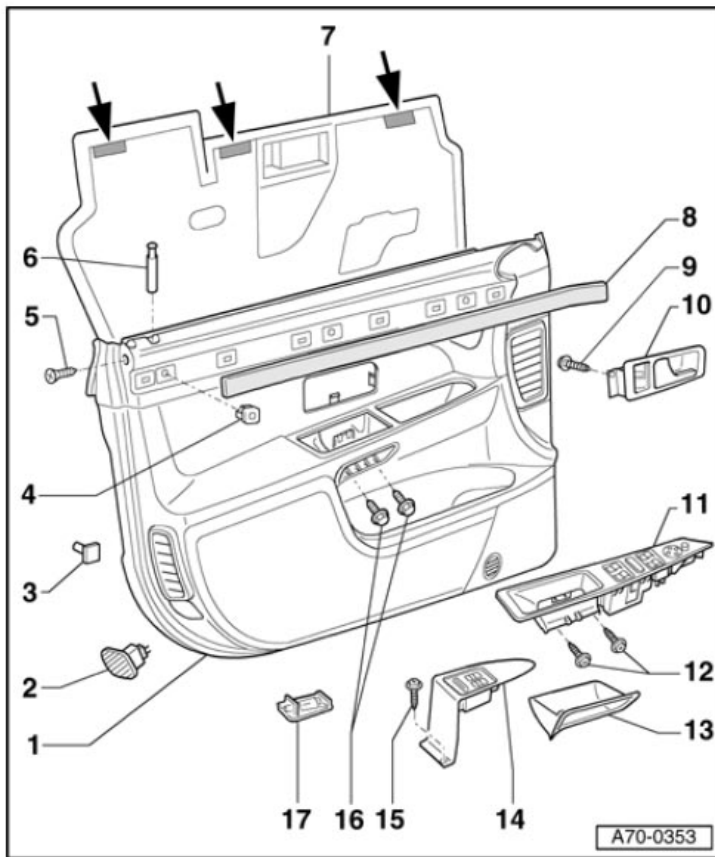
For the top piece, it just clicks in place. Use a plastic trim stick to pry it out from one end, has 4 or 5 nipples on the back of the trim. Here is a picture of the back of the trim:



For the window switch piece, using a trim stick, pop the piece out below the wood trim:



This will expose (2) Phillips head screws (number 12 below), once they are removed, unscrew two Phillips head screws and the wood piece will come out. Disconnect wiring.



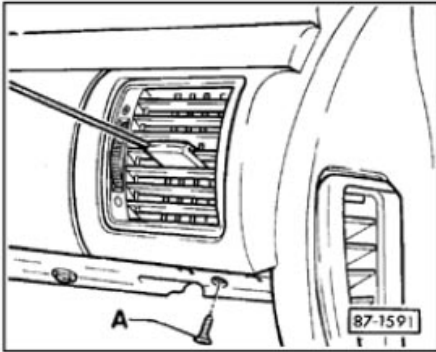
### **Stereo Surround:**

This piece has four nipples on the back of it, it just pulls out from the bottom. Move the shifter to neutral or drive and pull from the bottom of the piece of wood back. You'll have to pull very, very hard if it's never been removed before. Once the bottom two nipples release, the tops will release. You can see two of the nipples on the right hand side in the picture below. Remove the wiring from the switches. Once it pops out, unclip the switches from behind, if you need to remove the hazard switch, you need to remove it with a small torx screwdriver.



## Dash Trim Pieces (2)

**Right hand side:** open glove box and on right hand side you will see two vertical screws that hold the air vent in. Remove the outboard most screw and remove the air vent. NOTE: it's not the two screws that are easily visible, it's a screw that is between those and recessed a little bit further up. Once it's removed, it should come out pretty easy.

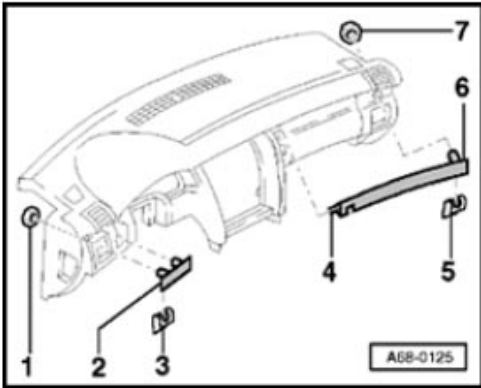


- Remove screw -A-.
- Use special tool to pull air outlet out of instrument panel.



In the picture above, it IS NOT the two screws with the gold backers, it's a screw that sets into the black plastic piece just behind and above it.

The trim is held in with a stud assembly that has a "C" style clip that must be removed (item 5 below). This clip tensions the trim piece with the stud/nut. NO NEED to remove or loosen the nut, just remove the C clip and the piece of trim will come out. Pull it out and pivot it, then the inboard side will come out. See image below.



- Remove spring clips -3- and -5- between nuts -1- and -7- and instrument panel.
- Remove trim -2-.
- Remove right trim -6- to right out of clip -4-.







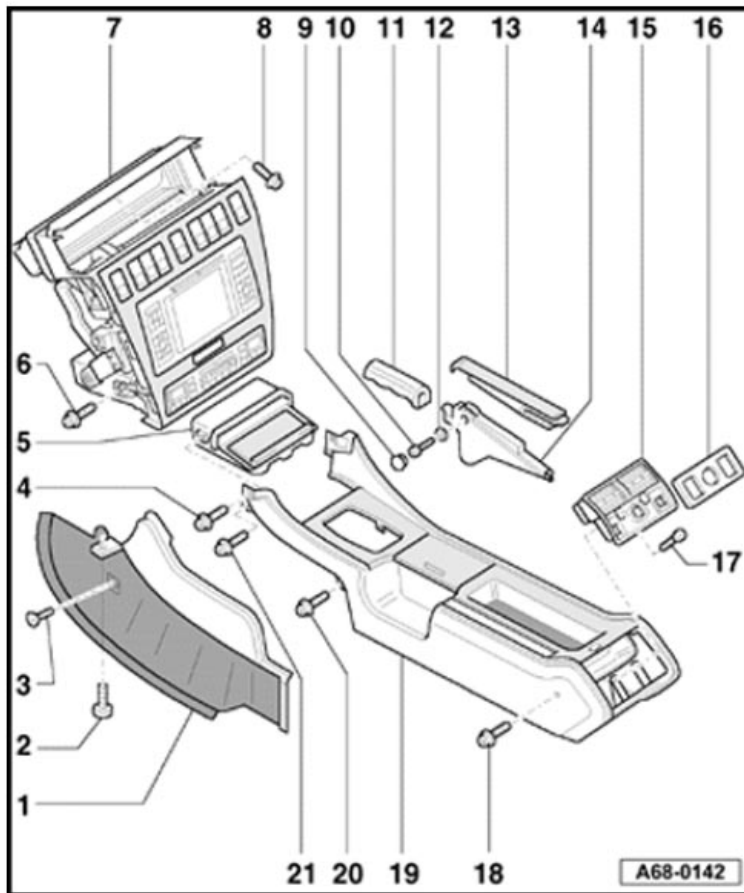
**Left hand side:** The kick panel below the steering wheel must be removed. Remove the trim cover pieces (2) and remove the allen head screws (3) plus I believe there are (2) more at each side bottom of the piece.



Once the tan colored trim piece above is removed, remove the air vent with the screw as in the right hand side. Remove the "C" clips for the piece of trim. There are TWO on the left hand side. Remove wood trim. First picture below is driver's side trim, second is passenger side.



## Center Console Trim



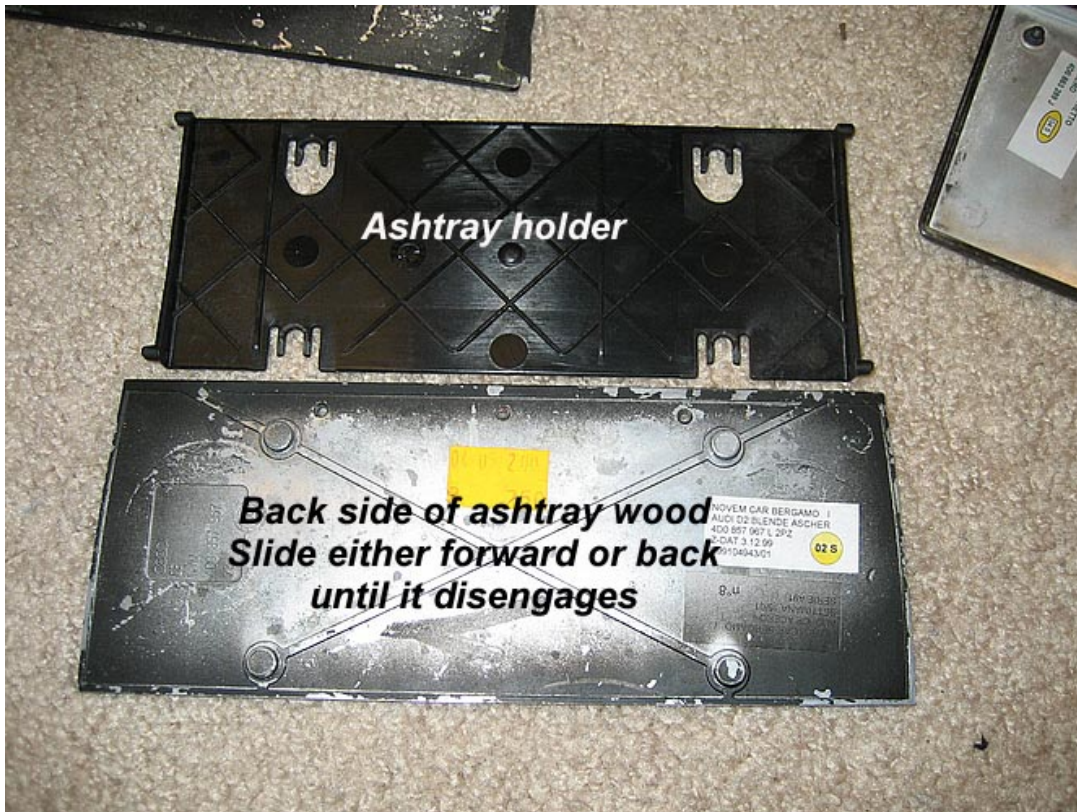
Rear piece by seat heater switches (16): Just gently pry off.

Parking Brake Cover: Turn locking screw (10) approximately 2 turns then remove trim from front. I found that it just normally pulls right off.



**Ashtray:** The wood is attached to the pivoting cover by four posts attached to the wood that **SLIDE** into the plastic cover. It should push **FORWARD** towards the front of the car then detach. When you get the right direction it will **SLIDE** off the the cover.

After doing it on my car, do the following: push the ashtray slightly open, then rock the front of it to disengage the two tabs (left and right) on the sliders so the side closest to the driver (most aft in the car) disengages. Point it to an approximate 30-45 degree angle up, then slide the wood piece back (from front of car towards back of car), the back of tabs will keep the back side attached to the sliders, the wood will then slide out of the tabs seen below. Put the replacement wood back in and reengage the two tabs. It should literally take 60 seconds.





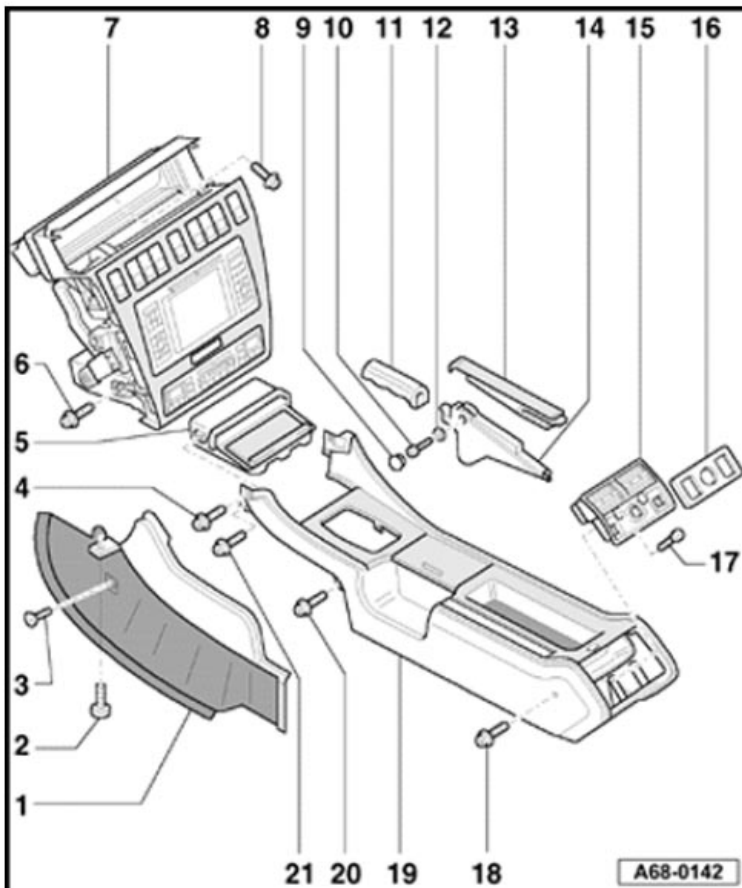
### **Center Conolse Pieces:**

You need to have the center console pieces all ready before you start.

1. Remove side panels on the center console.
2. Remove gear shift surround piece.
3. Remove armrest.
4. Remove piece under armrest.
5. Now remove entire cup holder as the three screws (forward and aft) will now be exposed.

Put everything back together again.

**Gear Shit Trim Piece:** This piece is the only one on the center console that has two attachment screws. The center console side panels (item 1 in picture below) **MUST** be removed to get to these screws. Each side panel has one Phillips head screw holding it in, they are behind the carpet which is cut at the factory. See image below for driver's side, passenger side is in a similar location (Item 3 in picture below). Once that screw is removed, you have to turn the stop for the gas pedal 90 degrees to free the carpet on the driver's side. If the floor carpet and other carpet is not removed, pull them out also. Pull the side panels down and forward to remove, they just have extension fingers that latch them in place.

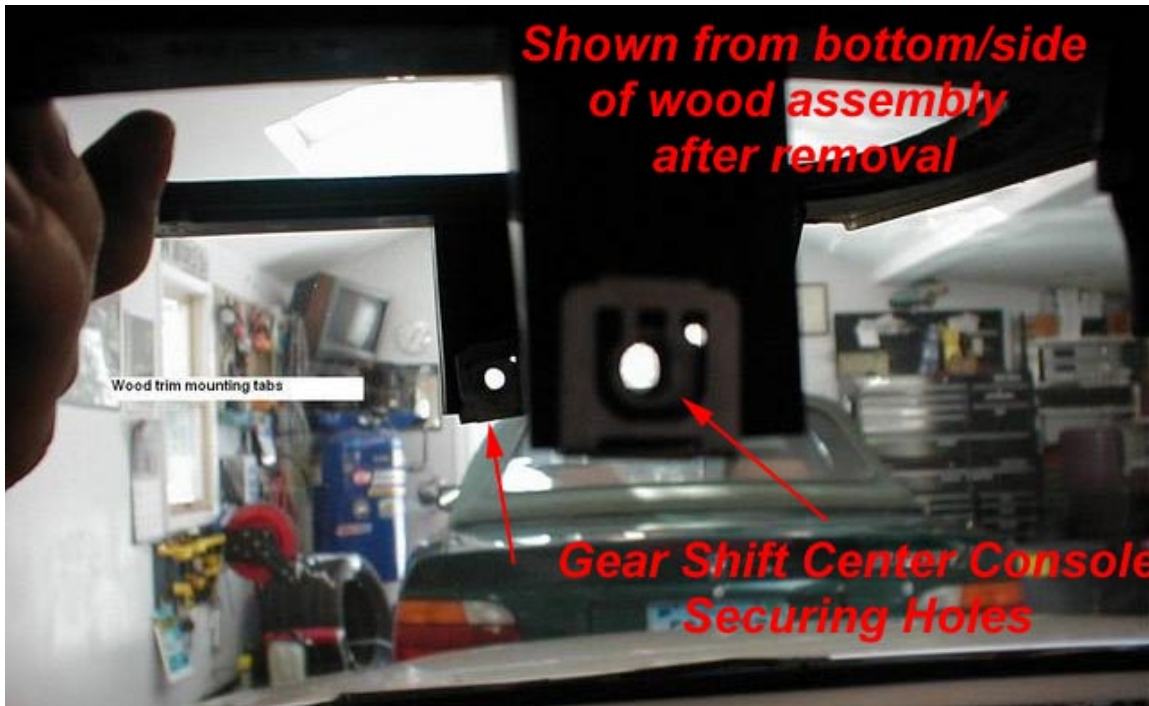


Once the side panels are out of the way, look on each side, behind where the side panels were installed, for the 6mm hex screws and remove them. There are (2) on each side for the wood trim and (2) on each side for the shifter gate aluminum assembly. To make it easy just take them all out.

They are in the approximate location of screws (20) and (21) in the image above.

Once the screws are removed, you can pry up on the wood trim and remove it. There will be some friction from the rubber gasket but it will come straight up and out.

The following picture is the wood trim after it was removed, you are looking at it from the side/bottom where the 5mm hex heads screw into it.

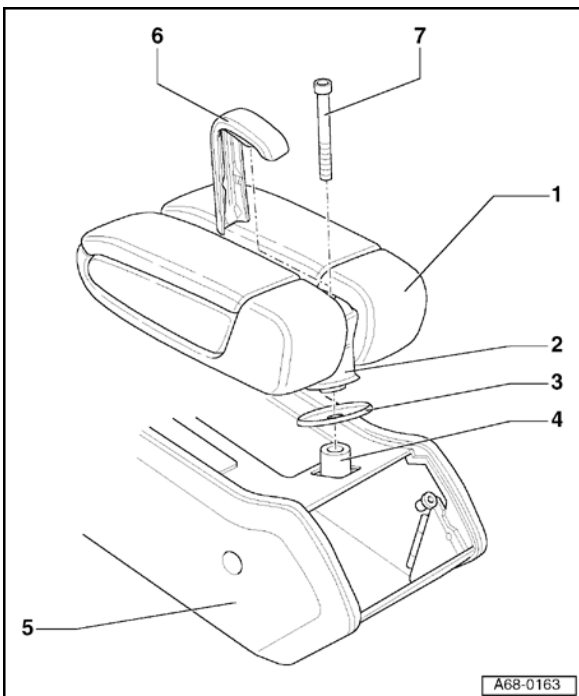


Gear shifter trim piece shown upside down.





**Piece under armrest:** The armrest must be removed first. Remove cover on back (item 6 below) exposing mounting hole, remove long bolt (7 below), then remove armrest. It is a TAPER FIT, so if it doesn't come off easily, hit it side to side with a mallet to loosen the taper. Once it is removed, pry the wood trim up with a trim stick. It has multiple posts holding it in that just pop up.







**Cupholder Piece:** Once you have the armrest piece and the shifter removed, you will see three phillips head screws holding the cupholder in. Remove them and change out the cup holder.

