

1. Use a flat bladed screwdriver or your hands to lift the bottom of the boot away from the console. It has small clips that hold it down on the console. They just pop out. Once the boot is free all around and if you have the standard shifter, you can then pull the shifter off. The amount of force may vary depending on your car. Some have found it very easy to remove, other have found it more difficult.

If it is difficult to remove, sit in the passenger's seat, put the shifter in reverse and using the floor for leverage, pull on the shifter while pressing into the floor with your feet. It should come off. If not, try applying some heat to the neck of the shifter just below the knob, being careful not to damage the leather, and try again.

If you have a shifter other than the base shifter, you will need to use a T30 Torx screwdriver to loosen a screw under the boot in the front of the shaft of the shifter just below the knob.



2. Pry off the gear indicator off the shift knob. Get a flat blade screw driver, and pry up around the edge of the part with the shift numbers, and it comes out. It is a tight fit, because it sort of pinches where the material is squashed in between. The clips have flat bars with a bit of a hook on the end to keep it from working itself out.



3. Now that the shift boot and its trim are out, carefully remove the vinyl boot from the frame (an x-acto knife will work great for that purpose), as well as off the shift knob (pull it off). Clean the frame and the knob carefully with sandpaper of any glue/vinyl residue.

To install the shift boot you must glue the boot in the plastic frame, as well as over the shift knob. Any epoxy-based glue (3M makes some great glues for that purpose) will work perfectly. Just glue the boot in, observing the alignment of the seams.

Then reinstall the boot and frame assembly (it will latch into place once you squeeze it in).

