



**CORVETTE**

## 1984-1996 C4 Corvette Roof Installation Instructions-

*\*\*Chevrolet technicians adjusted every Corvette roof specific to each vehicle as it left the assembly line. The same care must be taken for your new roof to insure years of enjoyment from your new purchase.\*\**

Before you begin- Using the camera on your phone scan the QR codes below, open the videos on YouTube and make sure you are capable of the requirements needed to install your new roof.



### Install video for 1984-Early1986 Corvettes

Can't scan? Type in this YouTube link- <https://youtu.be/9H7tEnzGQVY>

Or search- "Corvette Roof Panel How To Adjust & Install for 1984-Early1986 C4 Corvettes"



### Install video for Late1986-1996 Corvettes

Can't scan? Type in this YouTube link- <https://youtu.be/BdpoLGggCy8>

Or search- "Corvette Roof Panel How To Adjust & Install for Late86-1996 C4 Corvettes"

*The videos above offer the easiest most direct method of installation. If your vehicle has undergone repairs, weatherstrip replacement, restoration, or been in an accident, you may need to follow the GM service method of lowering your rear-view mirror, visors, and front and rear trim panels to allow access to all the bracketry allowing full adjustment of the roof. See below for this install method.*



### GM service method - to adjust roof height up or down

Can't scan? Type in this YouTube link- <https://youtu.be/7u0q9a1ApCM>

Or search- "84-96 C4 Corvette Roof Panel Height Adjustment How To"

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## GM Service Method

We strongly suggest you watch the videos above to familiarize yourself with the install procedures. If you do not have access to the internet you may follow these written instructions or take your vehicle to a service technician. Begin by parking vehicle on a flat level area. Roll down windows and open doors. Check to make sure tires are properly inflated. Take new top, do not remove protective film, turn upside down on clean, soft pad and make sure mounting hardware is loose and moving freely.

Install roof onto car making sure rear of roof weatherstrips nor weatherstrips on car don't get folded over or bunched up as roof is set onto car. Start by tightening two rear center mounting bolts. Tighten four rear outer locator bolts. Rear of roof should now be tight.

1. Remove rear view mirror, and trim panel (5 Phillips screws total), remove upper covers above visors (2 screws per side), remove 5/16" nut and retain visor spring clips so visors may drop and hang allowing trim panel to lower.
2. Start front mounting bolts. If bolts won't start move cones (1<sup>st</sup> design) or plates (2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> design) with opposite hand until bolts align with hole in plates. Next- move to step A or B below for your vehicle year.

- a. **1<sup>st</sup> design (1984-Early1986)**- With rear bolts tight and front attach bolts started and tightened down about 75% -
  - i. Take your flat wrench and tighten locating cone.
  - ii. Tighten front attach bolts paying attention to pressure between the front of the roof and the windshield weatherstrip. The front edge should only put approximately 1/8" of pressure on the weatherstrip for proper sealing as front bolts are tightened. Too much pressure may cause warps, cracks, or other problems. Too little pressure may result in air or water leaks. If you feel the pressure is adequate you may re-install mirror, visors and trim panel. Your roof is now fully installed.
  - iii. If front or rear height adjustment is needed, you will need to adjust the mounting brackets that attach to the vehicle (see GM service method video).
  
- b. **2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> design (Late1986-1996)**- With rear bolts tight and front attach bolts started and tightened down about 90% -
  - i. Tighten 4 front outer bolts through the windshield frame bracket access holes locking plates in place.
  - ii. Tighten front attach bolts paying attention to pressure between the front of the roof and the windshield weatherstrip. The front edge should only put approximately 1/8" of pressure on the weatherstrip for proper sealing as front bolts are tightened. Too much pressure may cause warps, cracks, or other problems. Too little pressure may result in air or water leaks. If you feel the pressure is adequate you may re-install mirror, visors, and trim panel. Your roof is now fully installed.
  - iii. If front or rear height adjustment is needed, you will need to adjust the mounting brackets that attach to the vehicle (see GM service method video).

\*The rear brackets are adjustable, but to gain access it is necessary to remove the shoulder harness and rear headliner trim panels. There are two 13mm bolts per bracket. These allow adjustment of the roof up / down, or fore and aft by adding or subtracting shims.

**\*Disclaimer-** You must follow the instructions contained in the videos. In no event shall our company be liable for any direct, indirect, punitive, incidental, special consequential damages, to property or life, whatsoever arising out of or connected with the negligent use or misuse of our products.

\* Care & Maintenance- Treat your new roof as you would the rest of your vehicles exterior. Mild soap and water with a soft cloth work fine for normal cleaning. We DO NOT recommend paper towels! For protection, a non-abrasive liquid wax may be applied with a clean microfiber towel.

## 1984-1996 Corvette Roof Panel Design Quick Reference Guide-



**84 -86E**  
1st Design



**86L-88**  
2nd Design



**89-Up**  
3rd Design