

## Removing Mini Cooper Colorline

Tools:

T10 and T15 torx head screwdrivers

Non-marring prying tool or flat head screwdriver with electrical tape

X-acto knife, spray adhesive, and glue for applying leather to colorline parts

Note: Unless otherwise mentioned, screws are T15 torx.

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1) On the driver's side, use the prying tool to pry off the center cap on the door side of the outer vent:



Using the opening from the removed piece as a handle, pull firmly to remove the vent's side cover:



Remove two screws on the outer side of the vent:



2) Tilt steering column to the lowest position. Remove the driver's side dash trim by pulling firmly on the bottom edge where it arches over the steering column.

3) Remove the screw securing the steering wheel side of the outer vent, and one of the screws securing the left colorline:



4) To access the other screw securing the top of the left colorline, gently pull the outer vent toward the door opening to get to the screw behind it. The outer vent is still attached with one screw hidden under the A-pillar, but the plastic is flexible enough to carefully move it out of the way.

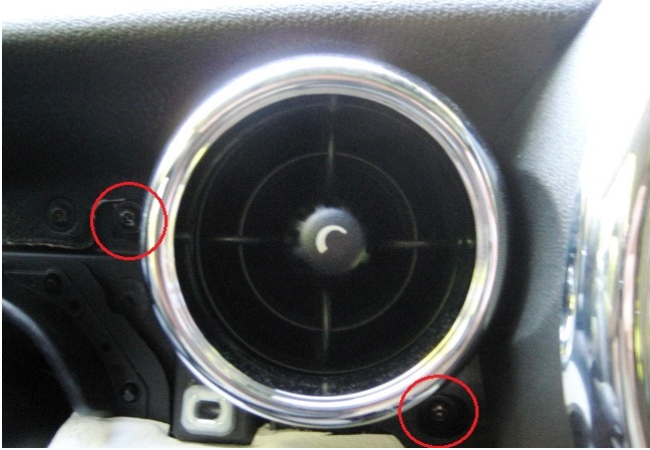


5) To access the screws on the underside of the colorline on the driver side, detach the top edge of the trim piece under the steering wheel: with your fingers in the gap on either side of the steering column pull downward toward the seat. This trim piece is held in place by four peg-like attachments along its top edge (2 on each side of the steering column) and the bottom edge is hinged. You only need to detach the top edge. Once the trim is detached, remove the two screws securing the underside of the left colorline. The left colorline can now be removed.

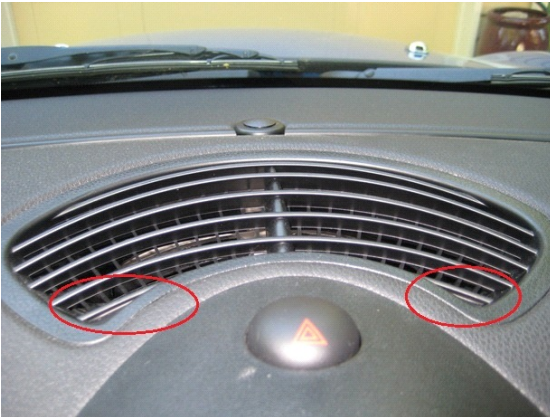
Also below the steering wheel, remove two screws securing the underside of the key slot colorline.



6) Above the key slot, remove two screws securing the vent on the driver side of the speedometer:



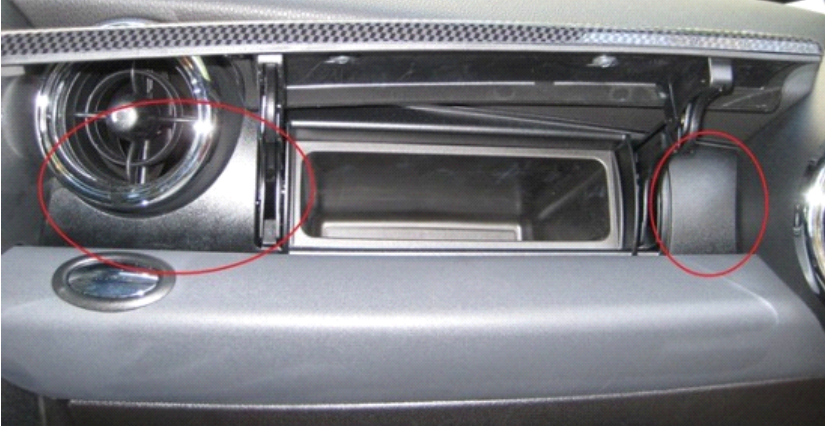
7) Remove the two vent slats at the front corners of the top vent by gently pushing them down and toward the windshield.



Remove two screws accessed through the opening:



8) Open the secret compartment on the passenger side. Using the pry bar, remove the trim covers on either side of the compartment:



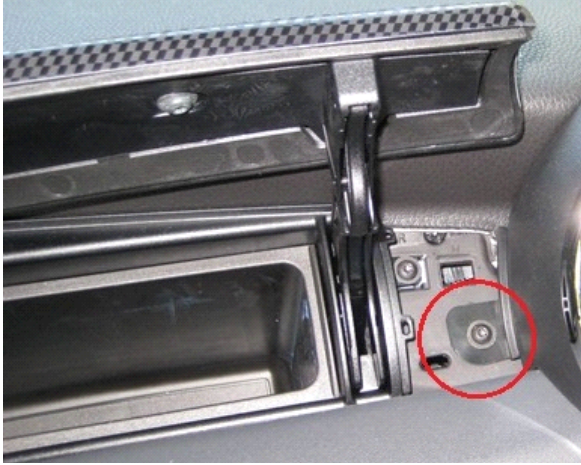
9) Remove two screws securing the vent on the passenger side of the speedometer:



10) Pull off the speedometer+vent trim. The wiring for the hazard button is attached to the trim piece, but the trim can be rotated out of the way without detaching the wires. On both sides of the speedo, remove one screw that secures the top of the colorline pieces.

11) Repeat Step 1 to remove cover on the passenger side outer vent, and remove two screws

12) Remove the screw securing the inner side of the passenger side outer vent



13) Repeat Step 4 to move the outer vent out of the way and remove the colorline screw behind the passenger side outer vent.

14) Open the glove compartment and remove three screws securing the underside of the passenger side colorline:



15) At this point all the screws securing the key slot and passenger colorline pieces have been removed, but the colorline pieces are held in place behind the downtubes by a peg-like attachment. To detach the colorlines, swing the door side of the piece towards the seats, then wiggle the speedometer end free. The passenger colorline will be completely detached. Remove the glove compartment button by depressing clips on either side of the bottom:



16) The key slot colorline is still attached by wiring to the start button. Using the pry bar, remove the trim piece around the start button/key slot. Remove the four T10 torx screws holding the electronics in place. The key slot colorline is now detached.

17) Cover the colorlines with leather in the same manner as described for [redlinegoods.com](http://redlinegoods.com) door armrests.

Note on leather pieces:

When covering the colorline pieces with leather, you will need to cut an opening for the glove compartment button, and enlarge the opening for the key slot/start button. After the leather is stuck to the plastic, use an exacto knife or similar to cut the openings from the underside, following the edge of the plastic. On the key slot colorline, also remove any leather covering the screw holes that hold the starter electronics in place.

Leather before trimming the opening:



After covering the colorline pieces with leather, re-install everything by reversing the order of the above instructions.





