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The VW Dash Storage Tray is a great way to store commonly used items like your cell phone, sun glasses, and toll booth change. Easy to install with simple hand tools, this Genuine accessory is an exact-fit upgrade, and a fun project. All you'll need is the kit, a T20 Torx[®] driver, and a non-marring plastic trim removal tool. (Trim Removal Tools (**ES2500877** and **ES51779**) are available from ECS Tuning. Click the links to go straight to the product pages.)

Step 1

Our first step is to remove the original dash-top grille (highlighted).



Step 2

Use a non-marring trim removal tool to pry between the edge of the black concealment plug and the surrounding grille. Pry upward to remove the plug.

Service Tip: Use sandpaper or a pocket knife to trim the front lip of the trim tool to a thinner edge that will fit into the narrow gap between the grille and concealment plug.





Step 3

Use a T20 Torx[®] screwdriver to remove the screw beneath the concealment plug.

Service Tip: If your screwdriver does not have a magnetic tip, just attach a small magnet to the screwdriver shaft as we have done here. This will magnetize the screwdriver shaft so you can lift the screw out easily when it is fully loosened.





Use the trim removal tool again to pry up at the rear of the grille. Pry at several places until the grille pops free. Then remove it from the dash.





Step 5

Use the trim tool to pry up the rear of the vent control mechanism until it pops free. Lift the rear of the mechanism up and slide it toward the windshield until the retainer tabs (arrows) clear the dash.

Remove the mechanism.

Service Tip: The car we are working on here has a standard HVAC system, but on cars with Climatronic automatic HVAC, it may be necessary to relocate the wire harness connector for the dashboard solar sensor to make room for the tray. Wrap foam tape or a similar insulator around the connector to keep it from rattling.



Step 6

Use the T20 Torx screwdriver to remove the two trim bezel screws beneath the vent control.





Step 7

Remove the tray from its packaging.

Remove the rubber tray liner.



Step 8

Drop the tray into the dash opening. Insert the front tabs (arrows) into the slots in the dash, with the rear of the tray slightly elevated.

When the tabs are engaged, push the rear of the tray the rest of the way down into the dash opening.



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Step 9

Reinstall the two screws removed earlier in Step 6.



Step 10 Reinstall the rubber tray liner.

This completes the installation of your Dash Storage Tray.





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