

# MUSTANG DEPOT

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### Installation of Trunk Panel

When fitting with the trunk itself, most cars vary slightly in width and height between the quarters. Final prep may include the adding of more filler to create a perfect seam between the trunk and end caps. The seal should be used in the fitment process. Also it's important to bolt the trunk on to your hinges, and attach the latch mechanism to secure. Consider the use of rubber bumpers to combat any height differences that may be encountered from side to side, or contours relational to the car. Since these hoods are thicker than a sheet metal hood, adjusting the hinges and possible reaming of the holes is necessary. Trimming of the seal in-half vertically can be helpful in the fitment process. You can also manipulate the drip rail itself inside the trunk to push up in certain areas. Removal of stock tension rods and/or springs is expected and use of a prop rod or other device is suggested. The sooner you approach the fitment of the trunk lid, the easier it is to get movement from it. There is a 6-8 week cure time in fiberglass so this is a critical time to make any necessary adjustments.



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### **Installing Fiberglass End Caps**

First things first, the end caps will not just bolt right on. The edge that you match to your quarter panel is the edge that is cut while coming out of the mold. So, there it is expected that you will need to match this edge up to the contours of the quarter panel using either a flat edge file, or a angle grinder with a sanding disc attached. There is extra material built into the mold to accommodate the fitting of your end caps. The bolts that are integrated are usually fairly close to the holes on the car, but some minor bending may be in order to align. In some cases, some reaming of the holes on the car may also be in order.

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**#1** Start out by matching the end cap up to the car. Find the high point areas, mark with a fine point marker. It's best to go little by little until the end cap begins sitting flush against the car.



**#2** This process will be repeated about 10-15 times while you slowly remove the material to match the edge on the quarter panel.



**#3** Make sure to pay attention to both sides of the end cap at the same time. Trim the excess until the cap begins to sit all the way down. This must be done evenly as you go or there will be alignment problems with the trunk lid.



**#4** On the top edge, it should be expected that there may be some minor filler and sanding for a perfect fit. Filler can be minimized by using sheet metal screws into the quarter panel, then flexing the cap down to flex to top edge line into position. This same technique can be used along the side of the end cap.

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**#5** Each side will present different fit issues. Also, each car has history, so fitment may change drastically from one side to the next.



**#6** Bolt on the end cap at this point for final fitment



**#6** A sheet metal screw is used to pull in the bottom of the end cap for the finishing touch.



**#8** Once the fitment is addressed, it will follow the contour of an unmolested quarter panel very nicely.

If you need further assistance please email our technical staff at [tech@mustangdepot.com](mailto:tech@mustangdepot.com)

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