

NOS Parts Still Available

'53 - '55 TOP FILLER FLAPS

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Part Number	Description
3735157	L.H. head pipe-exhaust
3735164	R.H. head pipe-exhaust
3762440	Part of tail pipe (need 2 ea.)
3752556	Part of tail pipe - extension
3736269	L.H. door weather strip
3736270	R.H. door weather strip
3754505	Radiator hose - lower
3931600	Intake manifold gasket
3192095	Shock - front (need 2 ea.)
3730111	Door molding L.H. Lower
3730112	Door molding R.H. Upper
3730113	Door molding R.H. Lower
3730114	Door molding L.H. Upper
3740253	Weather strip - windshield glass
3762525	L.H. top weatherstrip
3762526	R.H. top weatherstrip
3762529	Top weatherstrip
3814213	Weatherstrip topcover

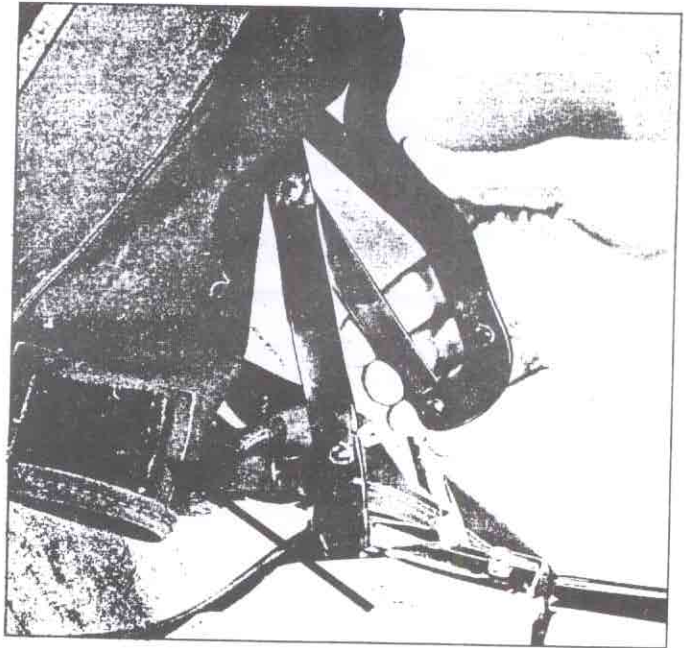
Parts I found that are listed for 1956 that are for 1960 to 1962:

- 3770284 Top of fan shroud
- 3192962 Rear shock - non-spiral
- 3733572 Molding lower R.S. front fender
- 3839808 Screw, side-view mirror
- 3725377 Window crank handle w/chrome knob
- 4156542 Door handle, R.S.
- 4156543 Door handle L.S.
- 445504 Screw assy includes starwasher - top latches
- 3725755 Bezel, use with 3725754 emblem, 2 oeg 'd per car
- 3751130 Seal, 3 spd shift boot (also for PG and 4 spd?)
- 3728940 Floor plate, transmission
- 3742212 Fuel injection emblem, trunk & front fenders, '57 only
- 3767507 Crossed flag emblem, front fender

Most owners of '53 to '55 Corvettes have had problems with air getting into the cockpit area while driving with the soft top up and side windows installed. Other than a poor fit, which is understandable, many owners have gotten the top and windows to fit tight and proper but still complain of air hitting them in the neck when the window vent is opened.

Reproduction tops have now nearly duplicated the original down to the date codes, but have overlooked one little fact that a GM driver discovered early on when test driving the Corvette. "Filler flaps" that were used on all '53-'55 tops located between the lower bottom rear mohair seal and the bottom side snap hold down.

This is a poor picture taken from a GM service manual but shows the filler flap stitched to the top material. Having your local upholstery shop add them will cure the problem of cold air running up your neck and making the top more original.



All screws used in Corvette to hold various items were slotted. Any questions?



Master brake cap 5300880, Cast Iron '53-'61