

2012-2016 Porsche 981 GTS Front Radiator Grill Installation Procedure

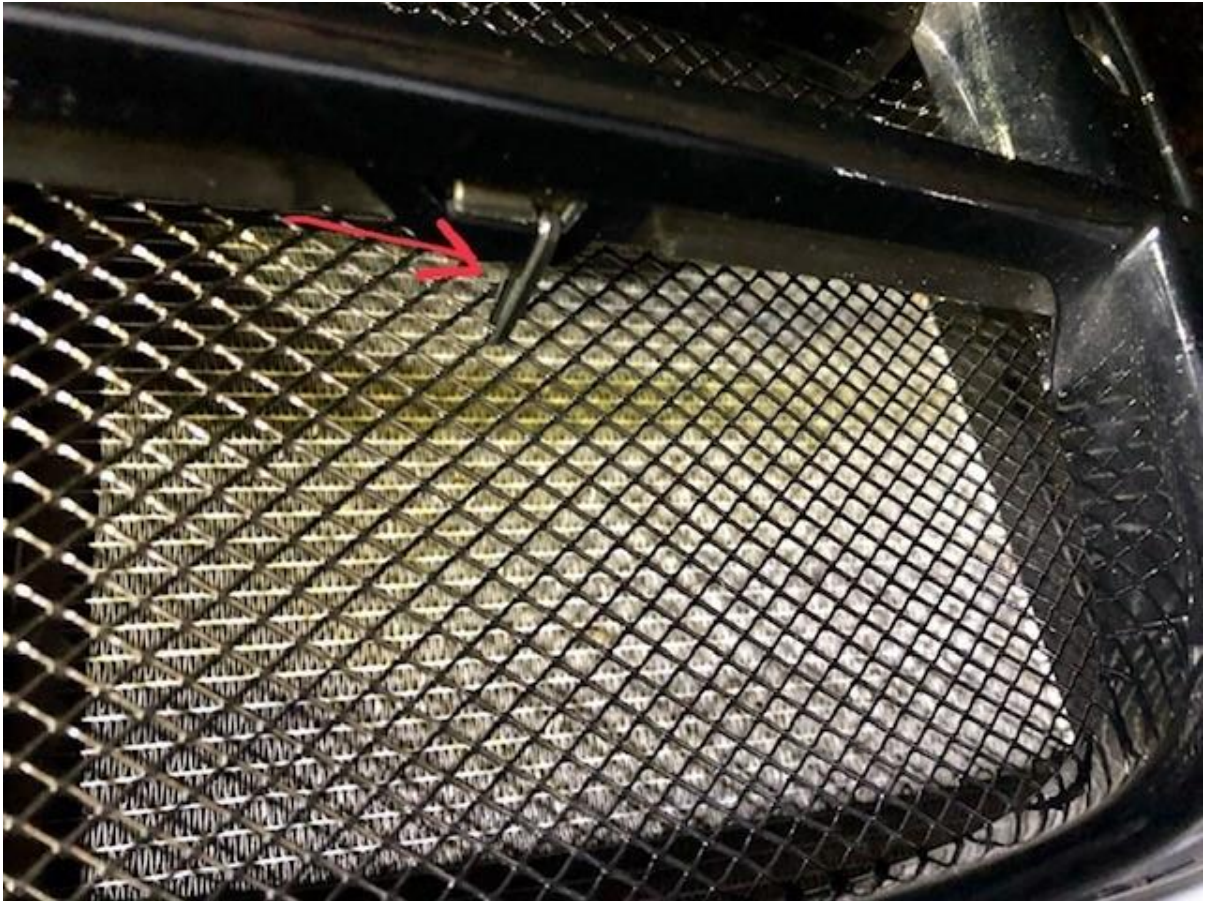


Note: it is best to protect your paint with painter's tape during the installation procedure. Though not necessary if care is taken.



Procedure

1. The GTS installation is relatively simple. The Passenger side is more difficult due to the placement of the temperature sensor. For the Driver's side, simply feed the grill into the radiator cavity. Utilize the cable tie to help pull the grill into position. You can also utilize a small hook tool to pull the left side of the grill to ensure the edge of the grill is hidden behind the bumper cover. Loop the cable tie through the center clip on the center rib. The receiving end should be between the grill and the rib (arrow shows where the receiving end is). Once positioned side to side, pull cable tie tightly and clip off the end.



Passenger side: the passenger side is slightly more difficult to get the grille seated towards the center of the car behind the bumper/grille cover area. You will need two tools for this step, a hook tool to pull the grille and a piece that is plastic or other soft material that can fit through the grille holes.

- a. As the grille is slid into position, you will need a small tool, we suggest plastic and small enough to fit through the grille holes. Utilizing the tool, push lightly against the temperature sensor tip, be careful as it is plastic. Just enough pressure to get the sensor to go behind the grille. Utilize the hook tool to pull the grille. You may need to do this multiple times, one hole at a time, to get the grille in position.
- b. Then loop the cable tie through the clip hole and tighten as in the step above with the receiving end in between the clip and the grille.



3. The center grille is a little trickier to install, requires some maneuvering and some patience! An optional step is to black out the one side of the 3M tape to blend the tape in with the trim. Place the grille into position to see where the 3M tape will rest. The 3M tape will align on the outside of the small bump that goes around the 3rd radiator opening. Clean this area thoroughly with an alcohol wipe. Ensure the bumper and the 3M tape is above 65 degrees or the degree of difficulty will increase with the install. The tape may not stick below those temperatures.



4. Align the 3M tape on the newly cleaned surface as such. License plate brackets need to be removed for installation. Align the circumference with the 3M tape.



5. Start in the corner and start peeling back the tape backing. Adhere the grille slowly and straightly as possible. Work each inch and press the black trim of the grille into the 3M tape, holding with pressure for a couple seconds. This greatly increases the strength of the connection. Work your way around the opening until complete. You can install cable ties to aid in positioning of the grille as shown below.



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