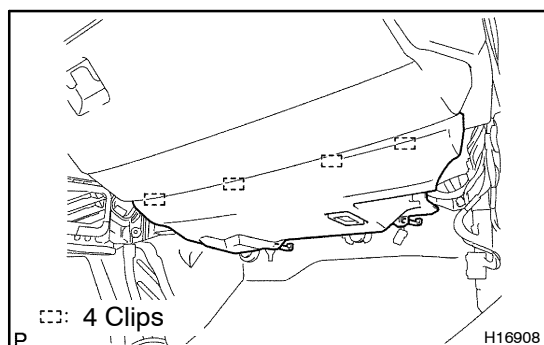


REMOVAL

NOTICE:

- If the wiring connector of the SRS is disconnected and the ignition switch is in ON position, DTCs will be recorded.
- Never use the airbag parts from another vehicle. When replacing parts, replace them with new parts.

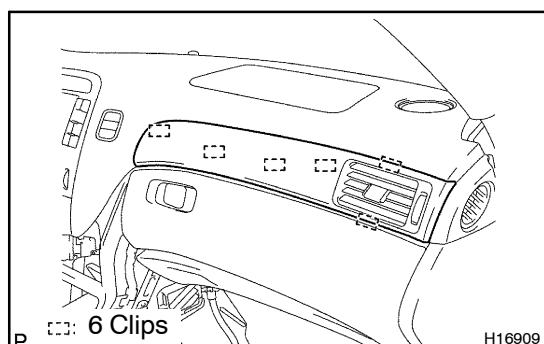


1. REMOVE NO. 2 UNDER COVER

Using a screwdriver, pry the No. 2 under cover to remove it.

HINT:

Tape the screwdriver tip before use.

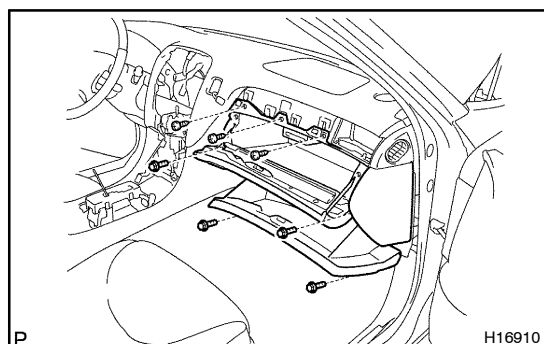


2. REMOVE NO. 2 GARNISH

Using a screwdriver, remove the No. 2 garnish.

HINT:

Tape the screwdriver tip before use.

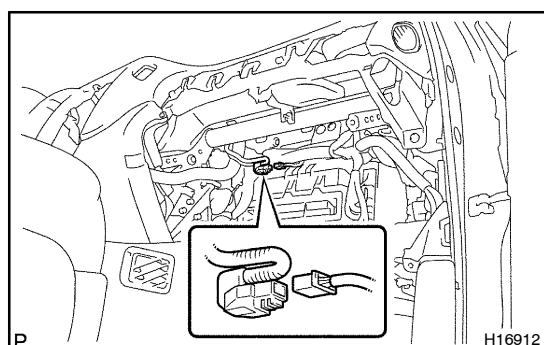


3. REMOVE FINISH PANEL ASSEMBLY

- Remove the 4 bolts and 3 screws.
- Using a screwdriver, remove the finish panel assembly.

HINT:

Tape the screwdriver tip before use.



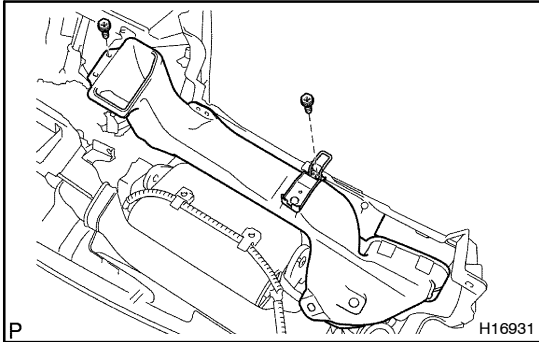
4. DISCONNECT FRONT PASSENGER AIRBAG ASSEMBLY CONNECTOR

Disconnect the front passenger airbag assembly connector as shown in the illustration.

NOTICE:

When handling the airbag connector, take care not to damage the airbag wire harness.

5. REMOVE INSTRUMENT PANEL (See page BO-131)

**6. REMOVE NO. 4 HEATER TO REGISTER DUCT**

Remove the 2 screws and No. 4 heater to register duct.

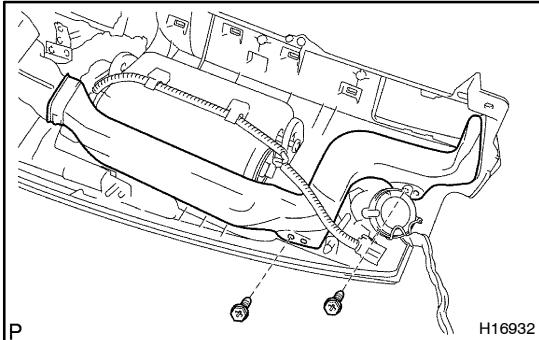
7. REMOVE NO. 3 HEATER TO REGISTER DUCT

(a) w/ LEXUS navigation system:

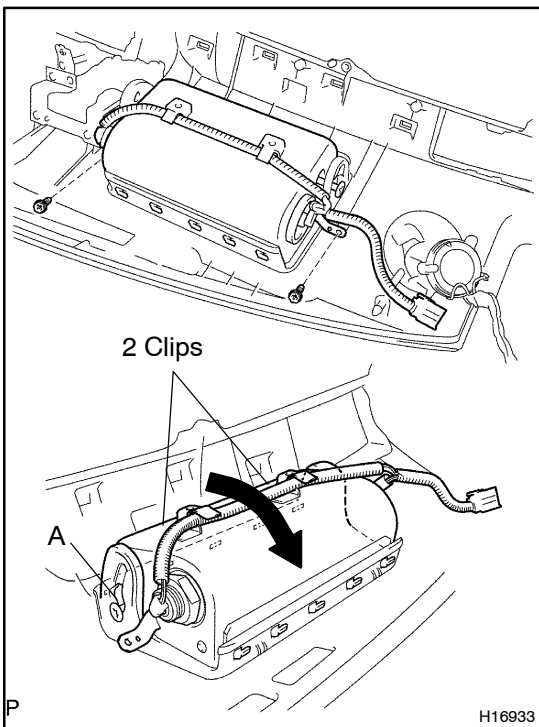
Remove the 2 screws and No. 3 heater to register duct.

(b) w/o LEXUS navigation system:

Remove the 3 screws and No. 3 heater to register duct.

**8. REMOVE NO. 2 SIDE DEFROSTER NOZZLE DUCT**

Remove the 2 screws and No. 2 side defroster nozzle duct.

**9. REMOVE FRONT PASSENGER AIRBAG ASSEMBLY**

- (a) Remove the 2 screws that are connecting the front passenger airbag assembly to the instrument panel and take out the 2 clips installed to the rear part of the airbag door.
- (b) Bend the rear part of the airbag door to remove the door bracket of the front passenger airbag assembly.
- (c) Rotate the front passenger airbag assembly around the connected part of the door and the front side door bracket.
- (d) When the front passenger airbag assembly comes to part A, bend the side faces to release it from the stand nuts.
- (e) Thoroughly rotate the front passenger airbag assembly to remove it completely.
- (f) Separate the door bracket of the front passenger airbag assembly from the front part of the airbag door and take out the front passenger airbag assembly.

NOTICE:

If the front passenger airbag assembly has been dropped, or there are cracks, dents or other defects in the case or connector, replace the front passenger airbag assembly with a new one.