

# Ford Bronco 2021- RedlineGoods Shift Boot Instructions

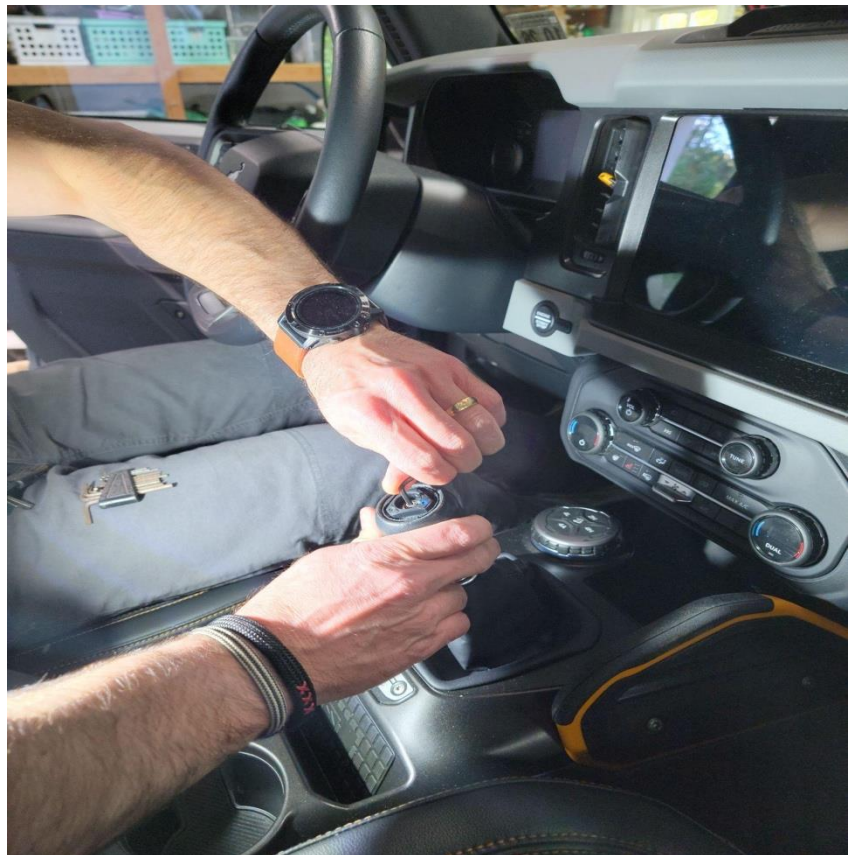
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1. Use a large firm kitchen knife of clean rigid spackle putty blade to carefully pry the knob cap off without cracking or marring the edges of the plastic or the leather wrap on the knob.

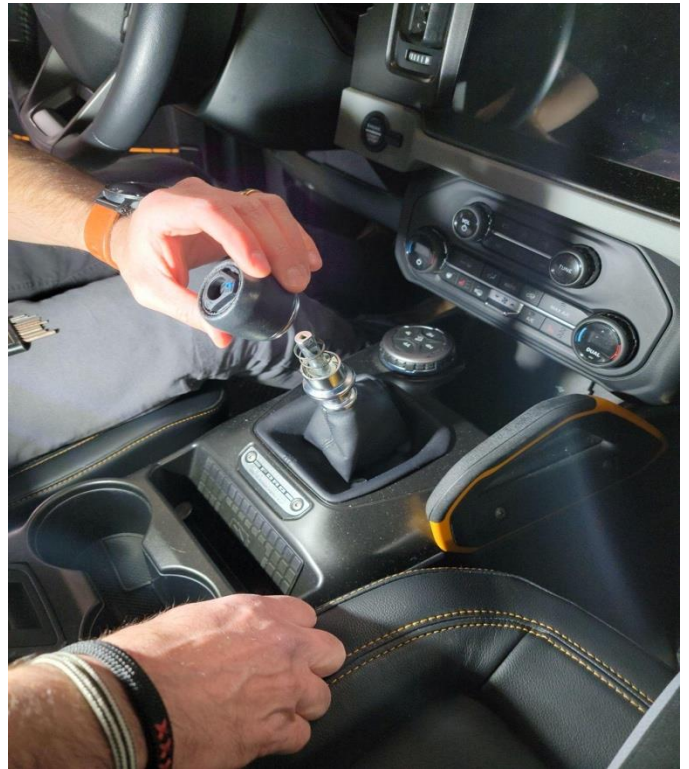


2. Use an Allen wrench to remove the screw securing the shift knob.

Note blue dot to right.



3. Remove shift knob, then remove spring and nylon spacer (all one piece)



4. Grab the edges of the boot and feel the plastic frame that holds the boot in place. Pry it off by pushing in the center of each edge towards the shifter.



5. Examine the Shifter boot - it is mounted to a square plastic bracket. This is a pic of the underside of the boot. Notes:

- a. The boot is glued/riveted to the bracket with plastic rivets.
- b. The boot loops over plastic tabs
- c. There is a nylon strap on the boot (upper right corner in this pic). Note the location of this strap in relation to the plastic tabs.



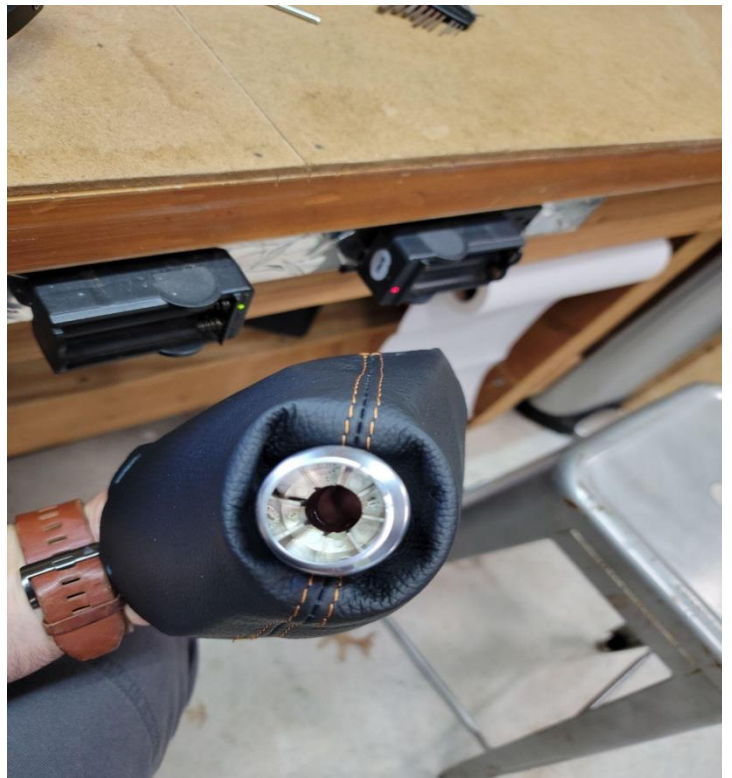
6. Remove the original shift boot fabric from the plastic frame. Before doing this look very carefully at the orientation of the boot to the black plastic sheath that goes back over the shift. This is not symmetrical, take note. I will show this again later as I made an error twice when I was installing the replacement shift boot.



7. To remove the fabric and install the replacement you need to remove the black plastic from the metal post beneath. Get a large flat head screwdriver and carefully pull back the plastic tongues that hold this part in place. Since you can't do both sides together easily and you don't want to pull too hard, use something (like two small Allen wrench keys) to wedge plastic tongues to hold open.



8. Separate the factory boot, the inner plastic part, and the outside metal one. Insert the metal part into the collar of the RedlineGoods Bronco shift boot. Before completing the next steps, you will want to read ahead and make sure NOW that the orientation of the plastic sheath that you are about to reinstall over the metal tube is correct in relation to the stitching of the boot, the elastic tensioner, and the asymmetry of the shift boot.



9. Pull leather tight. The hard part is coming up where the plastic holder needs to be pulled back on (the one with the plastic tongues that you are holding open with the Allen keys) must fit over the leather that is tight around the metal tube. The problem is that the leather is thicker than the stock faux leather fabric and the fit is extra tight. So, when you slide the plastic covering back over the metal tubes it is hard to get those plastic 'tongues' to seat back into the notches that are in the metal tube.



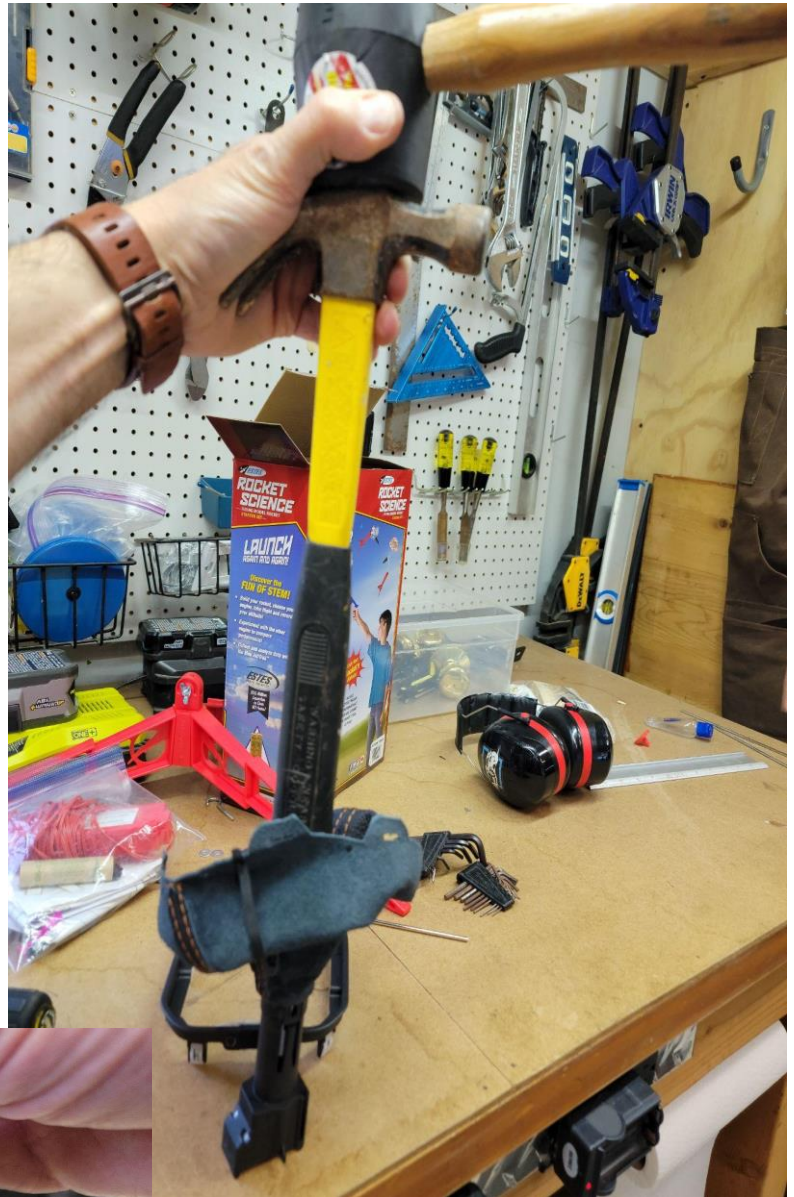
10. Shown here is the difficulty getting the leather to fit inside the plastic sheath.



11. To force the leather to fit inside the plastic sheath I used the handle of a hammer and then tapped the hammer with a rubber mallet. Once you see the plastic tongues seat themselves back into the notches in the metal tube you are done with this step and can pull the leather down.

12. Alternatively you can just file down the slots in the metal shaft by about 1/8" however, that is a permanent modification, and an obvious point of no return!

**Again, BEFORE you do either of these – check pictures on next page for correct and incorrect orientation. You do not want to end up with the incorrect one as you'll have a lot of unnecessary work to fix it.**



INCORRECT orientation.



Correct orientation of stitching and elastic tensioner to plastic shifter sheath.



Correct orientation – another picture, after pulling the boot back down.



Incorrect orientation – another example. Note different orientation of stitching to long side of rectangular plastic base.





13. Attach leather replacement boot to plastic frame. Note orientation. The holes in the RedlineGoods boot are useful in case you want to further strengthen the bond by applying glue, or hot-gluing the boot to the frame.



14. Replace boot. Before you forcefully click the 4 posts on the plastic frame back into the console make sure that the leather of the boot is tucked close to the plastic of the frame all the way around so that none of it bulges out. Then replace the spring.



15. Replace the knob, Allen screw to secure it, and the plastic knob cap.

**Congratulations – and enjoy your new Bronco shift boot from RedlineGoods!**

**Useful tip**

Make sure to condition your new shift boot properly, using the proper care products for the material you've chosen for your shift boot (leather and Alcantara require different treatments) and you'll enjoy it for years!

