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**BMW 3-Series and Z4 (99-05) Includes 2006 325ci/330ci Coupe and Convertible models Haynes Online Manual.**

## 10 Hood lock(s) - removal and installation

### Removal

1 To gain access to the rear of the latch(es), remove the radiator (see [Chapter 3](#) ).

2 On models with air conditioning, reach down under the condenser mounts, depress the retaining clips and slide the plastic mount covers down (see illustration) . Carefully move the condenser backwards and down.

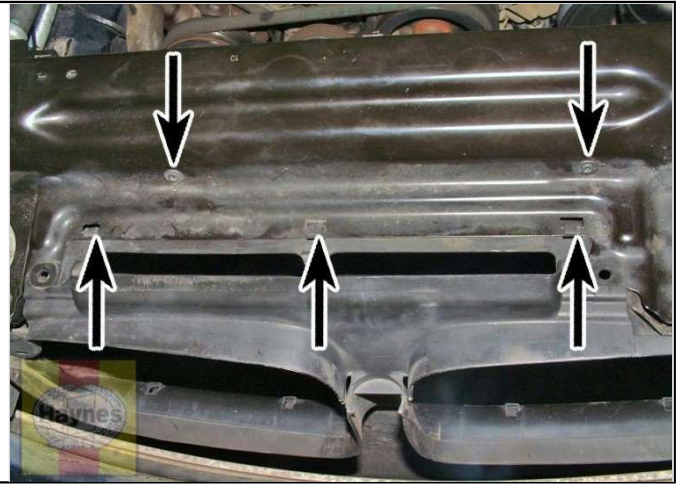
**Caution:** *Do not disconnect the refrigerant lines.*

**10.2 Depress the retaining clips and slide the plastic mounting covers down**



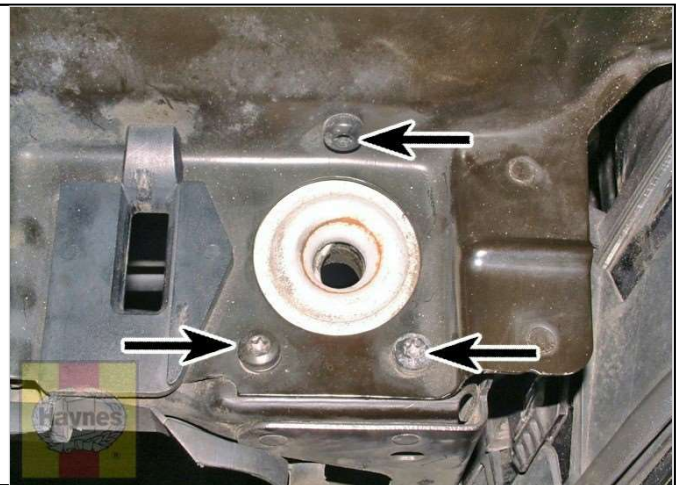
3 Remove the two screws in the center of the hood crossmember, press down the clips and remove the plastic cover to the rear (see illustration) .

### 10.3 Remove the screws, release the clips and slide the cover to the rear



4 Loosen and remove the latch retaining screws then free the release outer cable(s) from the latch, then detach the inner cable(s) from the latch (see illustration) . Remove the latch from the vehicle.

### 10.4 Hood latch retaining screws



## Installation

5 Locate the hood release inner cable(s) in the latch and reconnect the outer cable(s) to the lever. Seat the latch on the crossmember.

6 Align the latch with the marks made prior to removal then install the bolts and tighten them securely.

7 Check that the latches operate smoothly when the release lever is moved, without any sign of undue resistance. Check that the hood fastens and releases satisfactorily.

8 Once the latches are operating correctly, install the condenser (where applicable) and install the radiator (see [Chapter 3](#) ).