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4 Throttle cable - removal, installation and adjustment

Removal

1 Working in the engine compartment, depress the retaining tangs, and release the cable end fitting from the bracket on the end of the <u>throttle</u> lever. Pry the end fitting from the end of the cable (see illustrations).

4.1a Release the cable end fitting from the bracket . . .



4.1b . . . then pry the end fitting from the cable

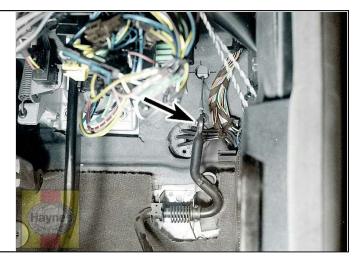


2 Pry the cable grommet from the bracket on the <u>throttle body</u>, and withdraw the cable through the bracket to free it from the throttle body.

3 Working inside the vehicle, remove the two securing screws, and withdraw the driver's side lower dash panel for access to the pedals.

4 Pull the end of the <u>throttle</u> cable from the grommet in the end of the throttle cable operating lever (see illustration) .

4.4 Pull the end of the throttle cable from the grommet (arrow)



5 Working on the interior side of the engine compartment <u>firewall</u>, depress the retaining clip and push the cable guide from the firewall into the engine compartment.

6 Make a careful note of the routing of the cable, then release it from any clips and brackets, and withdraw the cable assembly from the engine compartment.

Installation

- 7 Installation is a reversal of removal, bearing in mind the following points.
 - A. Ensure that the cable is correctly routed as noted before removal.
 - B. Check the condition of the grommet in the end of the throttle cable operating lever, and replace if necessary.
 - C. On completion check the cable adjustment as described in the following Steps.

Adjustment

Models with manual transmission

- 8 Check that the accelerator pedal is in the rest position, against the pedal idle stop.
- 9 Check that the throttle lever on the throttle body is in the rest (idle) position.
- 10 Turn the cable adjuster screw at the throttle body bracket to eliminate free-play in the cable (see illustration)

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4.10 Throttle cable adjuster screw (arrow)



- 11 Have an assistant fully depress the <u>throttle</u> pedal, and check that, with the pedal fully depressed, there is still 0.020-inch of free-play at the throttle valve in the <u>throttle body</u>.
- 12 If necessary, turn the pedal full- throttle stop (screwed into the floor) to give the specified free-play (see Step 11) at the throttle valve. On some models, it will be necessary to loosen a locknut before the full-throttle stop can be adjusted. Note that turning the full-throttle stop by 1.5 turns will adjust the throttle valve free-play by 0.020-inch.
- 13 Where applicable, tighten the full-throttle stop locknut on completion.

Models with automatic transmission

14 At the time of writing, no information was available regarding <u>throttle</u> cable adjustment for models with automatic transmission. Consult a BMW dealer for advice.

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