

BMW 3-Series (92-98) & Z3 (96-98) Haynes Online Manual

9 Instrument cluster - removal and installation

Removal

- 1 Disconnect the battery negative <u>terminal</u>. Caution: If the stereo in your vehicle is equipped with an anti-theft system, make sure you have the correct activation code before disconnecting the battery.
- 2 Remove the steering wheel (see Chapter 10).
- 3 Loosen and remove the retaining screws from the top of the instrument panel and carefully withdraw the panel from the dash (see illustrations).

9.3a Remove the two retaining screws (arrows) . . .



9.3b . . . then remove the instrument panel from the dash



4 Lift up the retaining clips then disconnect the wiring connectors (see illustrations) and remove the instrument panel from the vehicle.

9.4a Unplug the electrical connectors from the instrument cluster



9.4b Some of the cluster connectors have locking tangs on top that must be pried open with a small screwdriver before they can be unplugged



Installation

5 Installation is the reverse of removal making sure the instrument panel wiring is correctly reconnected and securely held in position by the retaining clips. On completion reconnect the battery and check the operation of the panel warning lights to ensure that they are functioning correctly.

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