

INSTRUMENT PANEL AND MOUNTED ASSEMBLIES

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INSTRUMENT PANEL

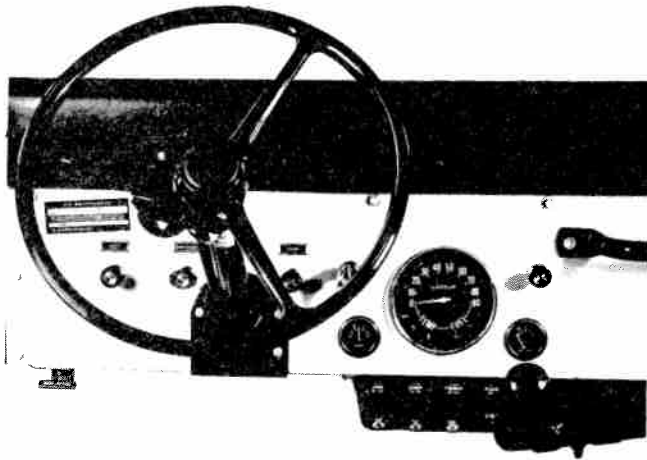
All instrument panels are of formed sheet metal construction reinforced with braces and fastened to adjacent body panels with welds or bolts. The instrument panels contain the instrument cluster, ignition switch, switch control panel, and/or individual switches and the glove box. Also attached to the panel are the steering column, brake and clutch pedal supports, and the hand brake.

CJ Models

The instrument panel is bolted to the cowl and dash panel area with capscrews. Eight of these capscrews are located on the face of the panel and one at each side, accessible from under the instrument panel.

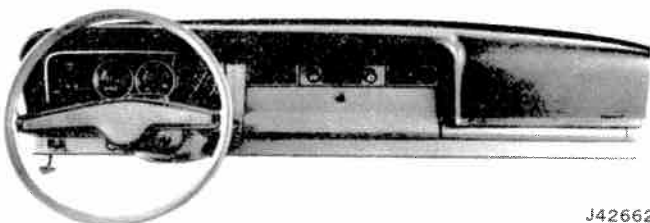
Cherokee - Wagoneer - Truck

The instrument panel is bolted to the surrounding body sheet metal and to the brake and clutch support brackets. When removing the instrument panel, the



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Fig. 18-1 Instrument Panel - CJ Models



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Fig. 18-2 Instrument Panel - Wagoneer - Cherokee - Truck

windshield must be removed to obtain access to the bolts under the windshield weatherstrip that attach the instrument panel to the cowl. Other instrument panel attaching bolts must also be removed.

Instrument Panel Overlay Pad (Crash Pad)

A vinyl-coated polyurethane safety pad is attached to the instrument panel on the Cherokee, Wagoneer, and Truck Models. A similar crash pad which attaches to the lower frame of the windshield is also available as a factory option on CJ Models.

The safety pads are fastened to the instrument panel or windshield frame with pressure type clips, studs with nuts, or sheet metal screws.

Replacement - CJ Models

(1) Remove five retaining screws along top edge of crash pad.

NOTE: *Lower edge of crash pad is retained with compression type spring retainers.*

(2) Insert a stiff putty knife between crash pad and frame at each of the four clips, and pry the pad away from the frame to release the clip.

(3) To install the crash pad, align the spring clips with the retaining holes and snap the panel into place.

(4) Install the screws along the top edge at the base of the windshield.

Replacement—Cherokee-Wagoneer-Truck

(1) Remove windshield and windshield weatherstrip to expose crash pad retaining screws at base of the windshield. Refer to Windshield Removal.

(2) Remove exposed crash pad retaining screws.

(3) Remove instrument cluster and ash receiver.

(4) Remove nuts from studs located around perimeter of crash pad. The nuts are accessible through the cluster and ash receiver openings and from under the instrument panel at the right side.

(5) When installing, start all attaching screws and nuts and tighten them evenly, beginning at the center and working toward each end.

(6) Install the windshield weatherstrip and the windshield.

GLOVE BOX

The glove box is attached to the glove box opening

