

# Toyota 4Runner | 1989-1995

## Car Radio Removal



### **Installation Note:**

To remove the radio, the entire lower dash panel on each side of the vehicle must be removed.



### **STEP 1:**

Move to the panel below the steering wheel. Locate and remove two (2) **phillips screws** above the speaker opening. Locate and remove one (1) **10 mm bolt** at the bottom left corner of the panel below the speaker.



### **STEP 2:**

Move to the right side of the panel below the steering wheel. Locate the parking brake pull out handle. Locate and remove one (1) **phillips screw** above and one (1) **phillips screw** below the parking brake handle.



### **STEP 3:**

All the screws and bolts securing the lower dash panel below the steering wheel have been removed. **HOWEVER**, the vehicles hood release is attached to the bottom of the panel and the cable which runs into the engine compartment to release the hood latch will prevent you from pulling the lower dash panel away from the main body of the dash. The hood latch is screwed to the lower dash panel and will need to be removed before you can remove the lower dash panel.

Pull the hood latch towards the drivers seat. Located behind the plastic arm of the latch are two (2) **phillips screws** that secure the top of the latch to the plastic dash panel.

Once the 2 screws are removed, you will have to push the latch out the back of the panel and the latch should drop to the floor of the vehicle.

Now you can pull the lower dash panel below the steering wheel away from the main dash assembly.

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### STEP 4:

Move to the glove box on the passenger side of the vehicle. Locate and remove one (1) 10 mm bolt at the lower right corner of the dash below the speaker opening. Locate and remove one (1) phillips screw at the lower left of the dash panel below the glove box.



### STEP 5:

Open the glove box. Locate and remove three (3) phillips screws at the top of the glove box assembly. 1 at the left, 1 in the center, 1 at the far right.



### STEP 6:

Once the screws and bolt have been removed securing the right side of the dash, with your hands pull the top right corner of the dash until it unsnaps and separates from the main dash assembly. Once the dash assembly/glove box has been pulled away from the dash, let it drop down to the floor of the vehicle.

Depending upon your vehicle, you may have to unplug plastic wire harness connectors at the right speaker and to the glove box light.



### STEP 7:

Once dash assembly/glove box has been lowered out of the way, locate and remove one (1) phillips screw at the top left corner of the opening that was hidden behind the glove box.



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**STEP 8:**

Move to the center of the dash, below the radio to plastic pocket assembly at the very bottom of the dash. You need to remove this plastic panel. There are no screws, but each side of the plastic pocket assembly is secured with round plastic push snaps. Notice the pin in the center of push snap. Gently push the center pin in until it stops. With your fingers or a small flat head screwdriver, the plastic push snap can be pulled out of the opening.

**STEP 9:**

Once the plastic push snaps have been removed, pull the plastic pocket assembly away from the center of the dash.



**STEP 10:**

Move to the air conditioner controls. Pull off the 4 rubber cushions attached to the slider arms for the air conditioner controls.



**STEP 11:**

The step is tricky - be careful. With a small flat head screwdriver or a hook or pick tool, insert the tip into the opening of the bottom left slider opening (temperature slider). Pry the plastic panel until it begins to separate from surrounding dash. While this bottom right corner is out, grab it with your free hand so it does not snap back into the dash. Now move your tool to the top right corner and unsnap it. With your hands, pull the panel until the left side unsnaps from the surrounding dash. As seen one of the photos above, the air conditioner button will pop out of the plastic panel. Once the air conditioner button pops out, set it aside out of the way.



**STEP 12:**

Pull off the plastic air conditioner panel. Set it aside out of the way.



**STEP 13:**

Hidden behind the plastic air conditioner panel is one (1) phillips screw at the bottom right corner. Remove the screw.

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### STEP 14:

Pull off and unsnap the plastic panel surrounding the ignition key area.



### STEP 15:

All screws and bolts needed to remove the plastic panel surrounding the radio have been removed. Pull the plastic panel surrounding the radio until it separates from the main dash assembly.

Once the panel is removed, the radio should and the screws securing the radio to the dash should be visible.



### STEP 16:

The radio is secured to the dash with four (4) 8 mm bolts, 2 on each side of the radio.

Remove all 4 bolts. The radio is attached to the pocket below the radio by metal brackets on each side of the radio/pocket assembly.



### STEP 17:

Pull the radio/pocket assembly out of the dash. Unplug the black cable from the rear of the radio. Unsnap 2 blue wire harness connectors from the rear of the radio. The radio can now be completely removed from the vehicle.