

Steering Column 'Clack' resolved

2003 Sport Edition, V6 , Tilt / Telescope steering wheel.

Symptom: "Clack - Clack" sound in steering column when going over bumps: expansion joints, pot holes, Very bad over gravel / washboard.

Resolution: Behind the break pedal at the firewall remove 4 plastic nuts holding on a cone shaped cover around steering shaft and remove it. Note where the steering shaft connects to the u joint assembly there is a ...funnel...shaped collar around the shaft, it is held in place by one 12mm bolt which also is the bolt which compresses the joint around the splined shaft.

Tighten the 12mm bolt.

Enjoy the noiseless ride.

The Gold bolt next to the yellow paint. You can turn the steering wheel to get bolt head in a good position.

