

944 Floor Repair

Posted by dustinh - 02 Mar 2013 18:54

Gents, I'm trying to get my 944 ready for our inaugural season up here in Seattle. The seat mounts on drivers side are basically gone. See photo.

Suggestions on how I should repair this? Some ideas I had

- 1) take the bolts down through the floor board - not sure if that is safe
- 2) cut out the same piece from a donor vehicle and weld in - seems possible
- 3) mount seat directly to cage - have no idea if that is a practical solution or if the floor would still need to be repaired
- 4) fabricate some new solution from scratch - seems costly since I can't do the work myself.
- 5) ideas I'm not even thinking of?

Any suggestions?

Thanks!

Dustin

<https://docs.google.com/file/d/0ByqJy2ZYTfNBV1dq3BjVmZuVXc/edit?usp=sharing>

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Re: 944 Floor Repair

Posted by Big Dog - 03 Mar 2013 12:09

Greg Fordahl is in the Seattle area. He is the 944 guru and has a shop that preps lots of 944's. He is also a GREAT driver and suspension guy for your setup.

I would go to him and discuss it all and look at various seat options with him first. His advice, both now and forever, will be invaluable to you, IMO.

The only issue I have with bolting to the floor is that, in a big, side impact type incident, I have seen the

floor buckle from the G forces of the driver's weight and allow the seat to move enough, at the top, for helmet contact with the cage. I do not know if that was only early cars (three examples) or not but it was obvious that the floor pan buckled.

Good luck and do all your safety stuff to the highest possible standard.

Big Dog

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Re: 944 Floor Repair

Posted by dustinh - 05 Mar 2013 06:29

Great, thanks. I've heard of Greg, but thought he only did performance work. I'll definitely reach out to him.

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