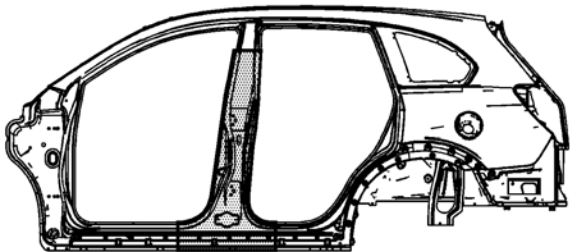


Center Pillar Sectioning

Removal Procedure

Important: Section in specified areas only. Sectioning outside of these areas may compromise the structural integrity of the vehicle. The door frame can be replaced at factory seams, but requires the removal of the windshield and the roof. The sectioning procedures have been developed as a more cost-effective alternative to complete replacement. The specific area to be sectioned is determined by the extent of the damage to the vehicle.

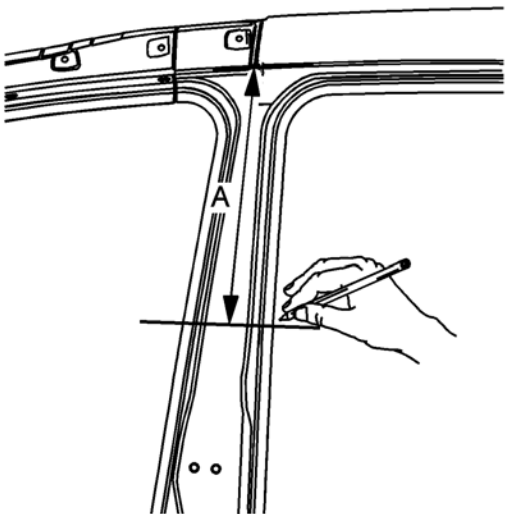
1. Disable the supplemental inflatable restraint (SIR) system. Refer to [SIR Disabling and Enabling](#) .
2. Disconnect the negative battery cable. Refer to [Battery Negative Cable Disconnection and Connection](#) .



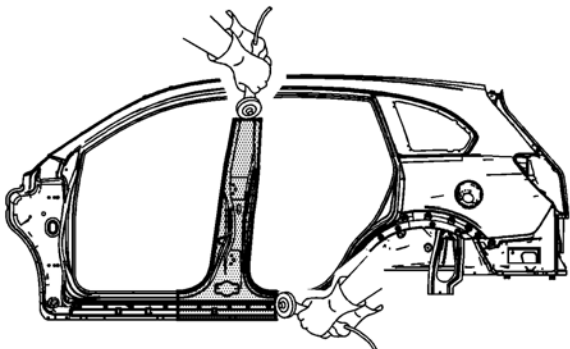
3. Remove all related panels and components.
4. Repair as much of the damage as possible to factory specifications. Refer to [Dimensions - Body](#) .

Caution: Foam sound deadeners must be removed from areas within 152.4 mm (6 in) of where flame is to be used for body repairs. When reinstalling foam sound deadeners, avoid inhaling fumes as bodily injury may result.

5. Note the location and remove the sealers and anti-corrosion materials from the repair area, as necessary. Refer to [Anti-Corrosion Treatment and Repair](#) .



6. On the original outer door frame, measure down from the lower edge of the door opening 135 mm (5.3 in) (A) and mark a horizontal line.



Important: Do NOT damage any inner panels or reinforcements.

7. Cut the panel where sectioning is to be performed.