

Rover 200 Mk3....removing the headlight orange indicator lens

The first thing is to remove the headlight assembly from the car.



You will start separating the two halves starting at the indicator end of the assembly...but FIRST remove the small white plastic clip arrowed.



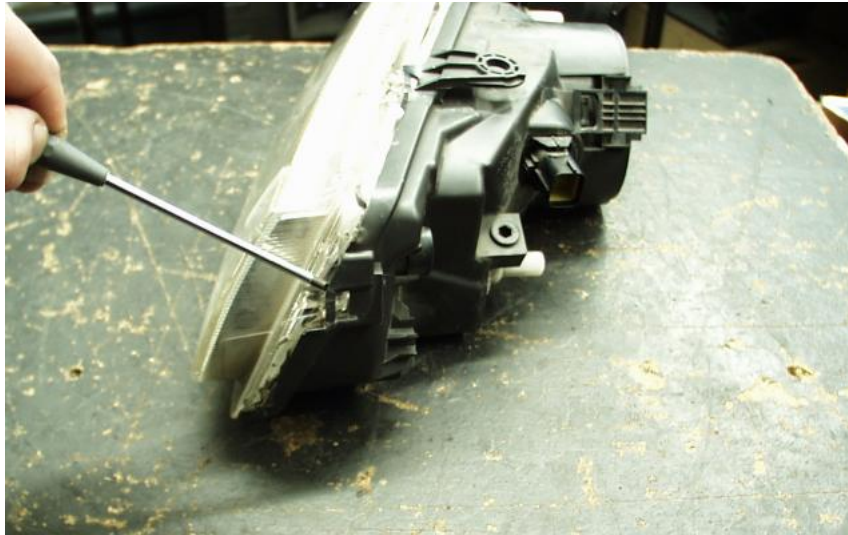
The two halves are held with clips moulded into the black section, also a bead of mastic is used to provide a watertight seal. The only way to separate the sections is to use heat to soften the mastic, a hairdryer will do but a heatgun is far quicker. Be very careful with the amount of heat applied as the black section will melt !! The black plastic clips can be raised with a small screwdriver.



Be patient and work slowly towards the headlight end, use only enough heat !



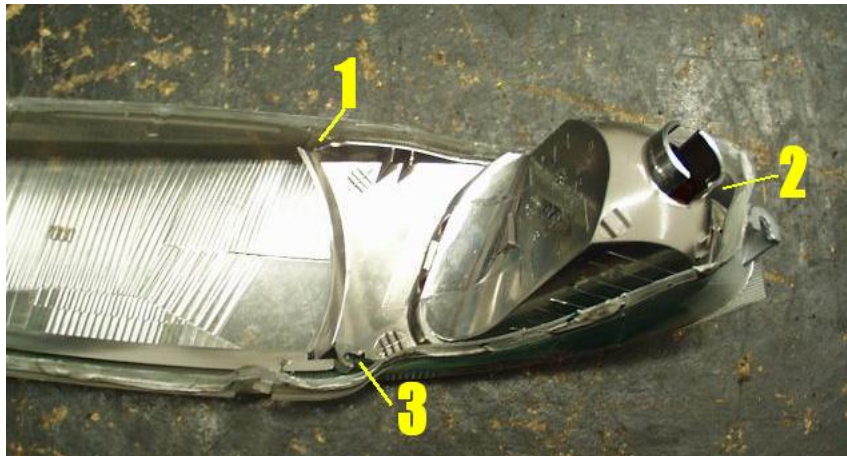
There are five clips in total, two on top, two on the bottom and one on the edge at the headlight end.



Finally you should end up with the rear body and the lens section separated.



The indicator reflector and orange lens are clipped into the main lens section, to remove it unclip the corner marked 1, release the end marked 2 and finally release the hooked end marked 3.

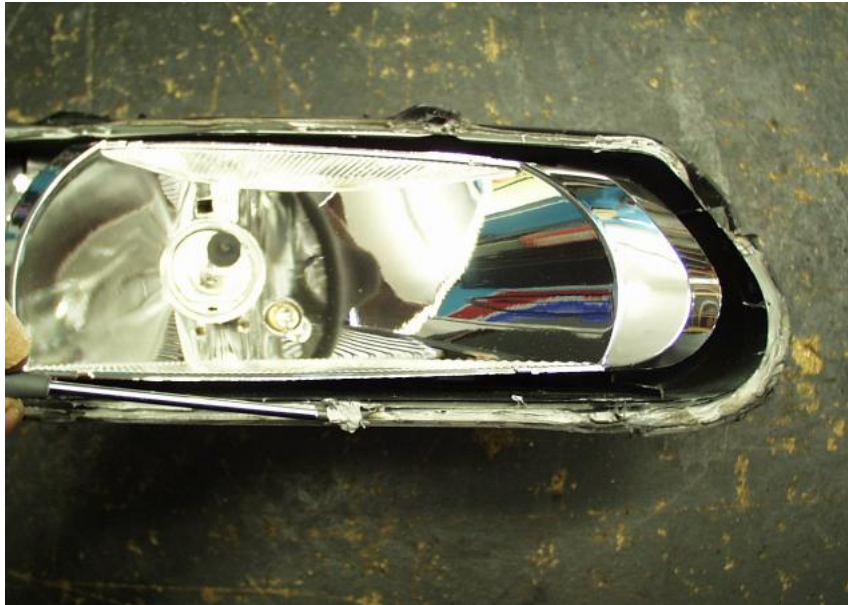


With this removed the orange lens can be removed with a small screwdriver or by popping it out using a finger pushed through the hole for the bulb.



The indicator reflector is refitted in the reverse order.

Before refitting the two halves, it is best to try and remove as much of the grey mastic from the groove in the black section, use a little heat to soften as needed.



Use a silicone mastic to replace the original grey sealant, preferably a non acetic type such as RITO. There is no need to fill the groove right to the top as it will squeeze out everywhere when the two halves are reassembled. Fill the groove about one third the way up.

Bring the two halves together starting at the headlight end first, make sure all the black plastic clips are engaged fully.

Make sure to refit the small white plastic clip at the indicator end.



Sit back and admire your handiwork and a much nicer headlight !!