

W&L PICKERING COACH BODY REMOVAL INSTRUCTIONS

To get at the inside of the Pickering coach, contrary to usual practice where you would remove the roof, one removes the complete body from the under frames.

1. Lay the coach upside down on a cloth or some soft surface and make sure it is properly supported. Remove both bogies. We recommend having a small container for the screws and removed parts.
2. Using a Phillips head screwdriver remove the 14 small screws (7 per side) that hold the body to the underframes.
3. Carefully lift the under frames up away from the body. You may find that the upright rods with the lamp brackets on them stay fixed to the roof. We recommend removing them from the roof as they can easily get damage if left sticking up from the roof ends.
4. Put the underframes away to one side.
5. Lay the coach body on its side. It is now that any work such as seating repairs, populating the interior, or fixing your own lighting system, can be done.
6. Before refitting the body we usually clean out the locating holes in the roof ends for the lamp bracket rods so they will easily locate in the holes. This is best done by hand with a 1.8mm diameter drill.
7. To re-assemble the coach take the underframes and place them upright on the work surface. Feed the lamp bracket rods down through the corner hole in the railings and locate in the pocket on the deck.
8. Lower the body carefully down onto the underframes taking care to locate the lamp bracket rods into their location pockets in the roof.
9. Now the tricky bit! Carefully holding the underframes and the body together, turn the assembly over on to its roof, it is best to check the lamp bracket rods again as they always try to get out! Refit all the 14 screws that hold the two parts together. When you are tightening the end screws just take a final look and check the rods are still in their pockets!
10. Refit the bogies and the job is done.