Basic Carpet Installation BN6 and BN7

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The basic order of underlay and carpet installation for a BN6 or BN7 two seated roadster would be something like this:

1. Fit, trim and glue in sill carpets.
2. Fit, trim and glue toe board and inner vertical foot well under lays, then carpets.
3. Install felt paper (tar paper) to flat floors then install under lays.
4. Install all seat track packers and seat track assemblies onto under lays.
5. Glue vinyl piece for handbrake aperture to fixed tunnel.
6. Trim and glue vinyl across inverted U channel at battery access lid.
7. Cut under seat and up vertical heel board carpet to clear seat tracks, rear ends locate and trap under inverted U channel, and are compressed to stay there by the fitting of the ring style carpet snaps on the flat floors.
8. Install inverted U shaped rubber membrane onto vertical gearbox cover, then trim and glue carpet piece to same. Top, left and right sides have carpet wrapping around to back side of panel.
9. Install panel to bulkhead with 3 trim screws with cup washers per side. Keep L&R flanges vertical so opening will bell out on an angle toward the rear to meet the gearbox cover. Top edge and L&R sides will form a tight carpet to carpet seal.
10. Trim vinyl along and over leading edge of gearbox cover. Also install male carpet snaps along lower sides of cover. Watch for original holes (4 per side).
11. Fit gear lever rubber boot and at the same time install gearbox cover in position, making sure to fit lower cup of gear lever boot to gearbox lever cup, and leave upper rubber lip only protruding out of gearbox cover, forming a ring onto upper surface of cover.
12. Fit and install gearbox cover side flange screws, covering and trapping inboard edges of flat floor under lays on L&R sides.
13. Trim edges of gearbox cover carpet and fit fasteners, pulling down on L&R sides for smooth fit and install carpet ring snaps. Sides should carry onto floors about 1 1/2" all along.

14. Mark centre line of gearbox cover carpet at fixed tunnel area and mark location of arm rest pad.

15. Remove gearbox cover and sew arm rest pad to carpet.

16. Fit and install forward flat floor carpets, trimming as needed for good fit all around, coming up to just cover the gearbox cover carpet edges by an inch or so.

17. Trim vinyl to parcel tray and fit and glue carpet piece to bottom of parcel tray.

The above does not address the interior Armacord on the battery compartment lid or rear surrounding areas, nor the hood frame stirrups or cup boxes.