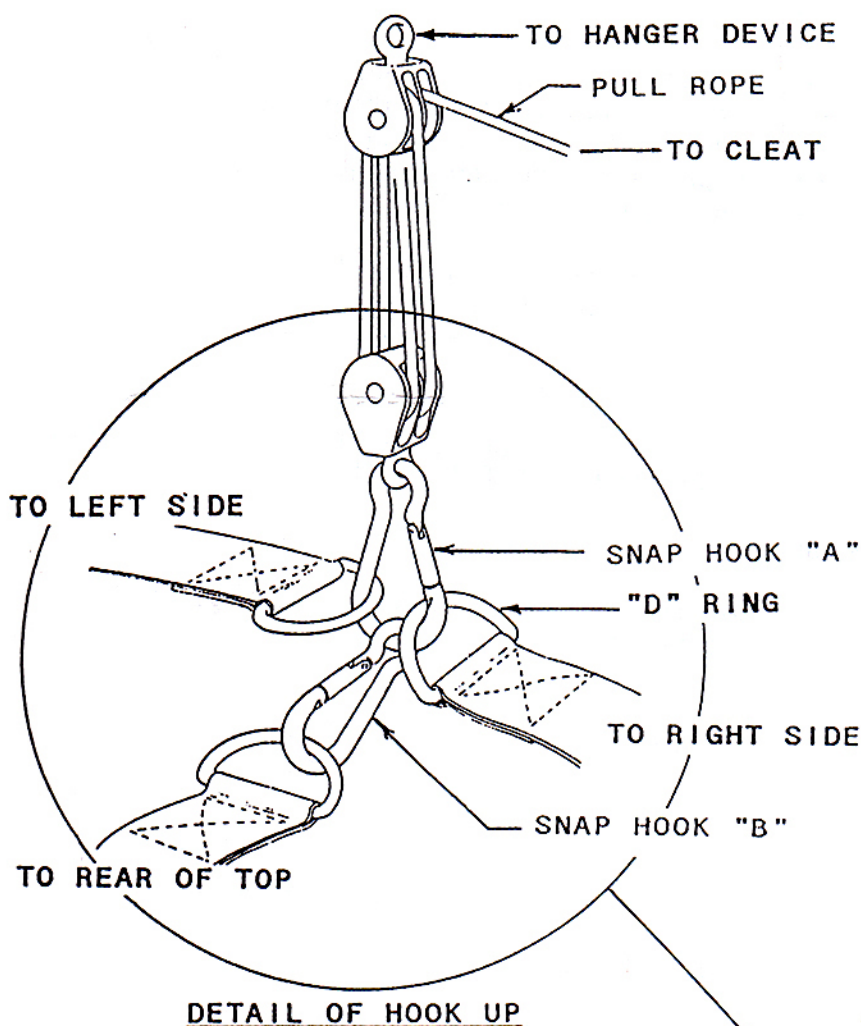
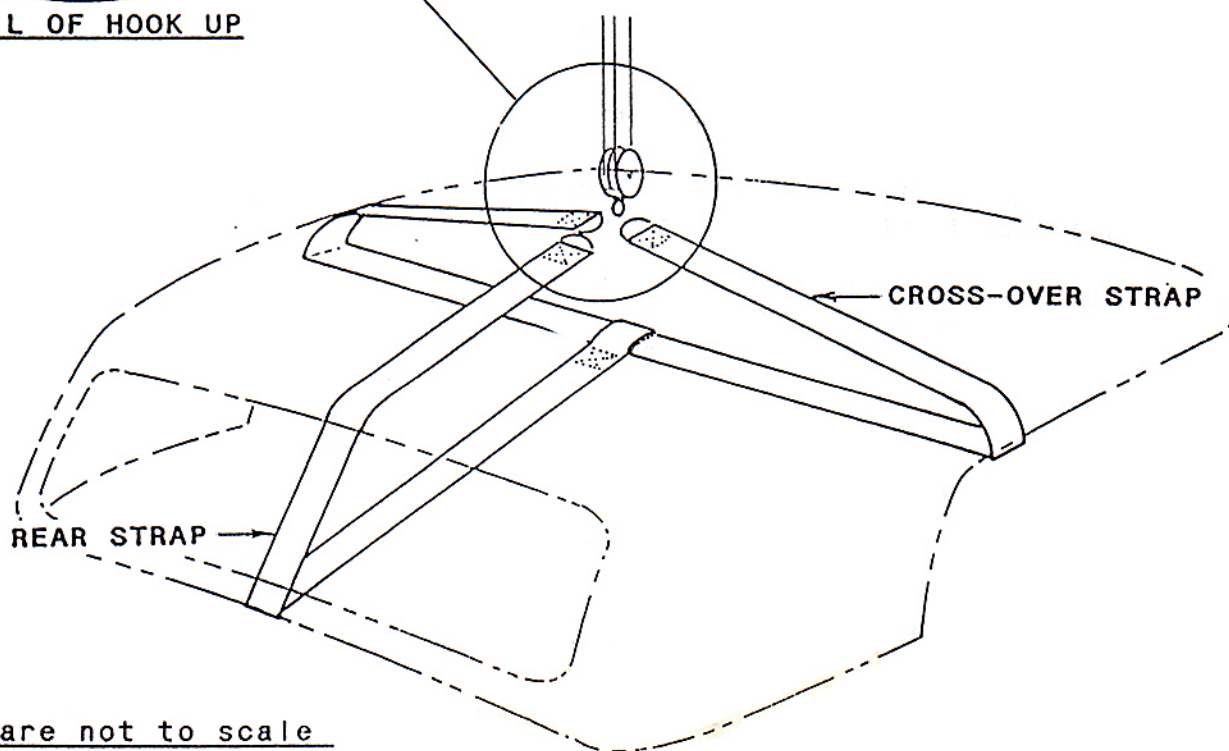
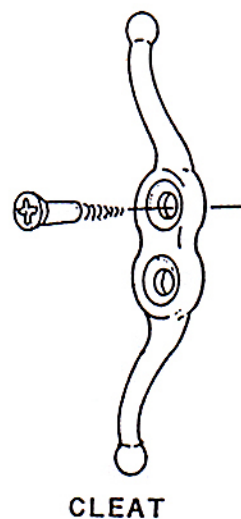


# Thunderbird Headquarters

## 1955-1957 Thunderbird Top Hoist



(NOT INCLUDED)



drawings are not to scale

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Note: Placement of hanging hardware (not included) is very important. Select a location that can withstand the stress of lifting your hard top. A builder's supply store can be of assistance in selecting the proper hardware and can give advice concerning placement of the hanger. Thunderbird Headquarters assumes no responsibility for damage resulting from improper use or installation.

1. Install hardware. Be certain of the structural integrity of mounting location. Also install cleat at location close to lift area. (See not above)
2. Place hoist assembly in hanging hardware.
3. Position car under hoist with center of the top directly under hoist assembly. Release clamps that secure top to car. Manually lift top from car high enough to place a space pad between top and car.
4. Feed crossover strap through the sewn loop in the rear strap. Pass the crossover strap through the window openings. Bring one end up over the top and secure one "D" run in snap hook "A" as per illustration.
5. Pass the rear strap under the top at the center of the back glass and bring the snap hook "B" and "D" ring up over the top snapping them into place as shown.
6. Now secure the remaining "D" ring into snap hook "A".
7. Using the pull rope, take up any slack in the hoist and secure rope at the cleat.
8. Check the centering of the hoist again and position the straps so the top is level when raised.

REINSTALLATION OF THE TOP WILL BE EASIER IF THE TOP IS SLIGHTLY LOWER AT THE REAR AND SLIGHTLY TILTED TO ONE SIDE BECAUSE IT WILL BE EASIER TO GUIDE THE ALIGNMENT HARDWARE INTO PLACE.

9. Grip pull rope firmly and pull slowly. Do not allow any securing fixtures to come into contact with the car. When top is at desired height secure rope to cleat. Free end of rope can be tied to the rear side of top strap to keep it from rotating while suspended.
10. Can may be repositioned to make a parking mark on the floor or wall to aid in alignment for future use of the hoist.
11. To lower the top grasp rope firmly between cleat and top then remove rope from cleat. Gently lower the top while guiding each alignment fixture into place at the rear of the top. Remove straps and latch the securing fixtures.
12. Raise hoist and secure pull rope at clear or remove pulley assembly from hook and store until next use.