R50/E88/E36 Jack Pad Tool Instructions

The R50, E88, and E36 Jack Pad Tools have *four silicone* plugs which provide a friction fit in the jack points of most late model MINI Cooper and BMW cars. These plugs are about 1/2" long and can be removed and replaced if necessary. The plugs are held in place with a small plastic set screw *pushed* into the hole in the plug. The plastic screw expands the diameter of the plug slightly to secure it in place. The plug can be removed from the block without first removing the plastic screw.
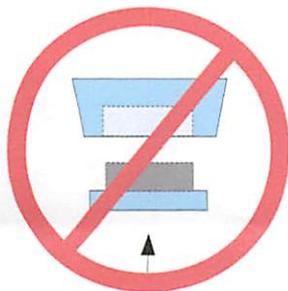
When pressed into the jack point the jack pad tool is suspended until a floor jack can be positioned below the tool. If the tool is pressed directly into the jack point, the silicone plugs may drag and stretch making it slightly more difficult to insert the tool into the jack point than using the procedure described below. Follow these simple steps and you will find that the jack pad tool will stay in place and is quite easy to use.

1) Insert either end of the jack pad tool block first.

2) Compress the plugs slightly by applying pressure towards the end which was inserted first.

3) Swing the other end of the block into place while maintaining pressure against the plugs on the end that was inserted first.

4) Release the pressure and the jack pad tool will center up in the jack point pocket.
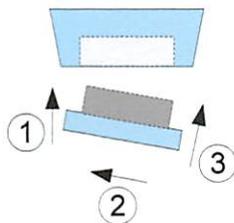
It is a good idea to inspect the jack points on your car for damage from time to time. Replace damaged jack points. Also, periodically clean out any accumulated road dirt that could interfere with the jack pad tool.

Please observe basic safety precautions when using the Jack Pad Tool.
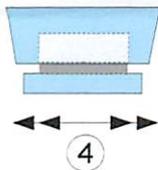
• Block wheels on the opposite side of the car.
• Use a floor jack with a cup large enough to accommodate the jack pad tool (minimum 3-inches).
• Never work under a car unless it is properly supported with suitable jack stands.
• Raise the car the minimum amount to complete the job at hand.
• Remove the Jack Pad Tool before driving the car.