

# Ford<sup>™</sup> Transit Seating Instructions

Freedman Seating with new transition brackets and OEM legs



**\*\*NOTE\*\*** Freedman transition brackets are currently available for medium and high roof Ford Transit Wagons only.

Video Tutorial <u>https://www.freedmanseating.com/video/install-freedman-seats-in-the-ford-transit-wagon/</u>



#### **1.** Remove OEM Seats from Vehicle

- Recommended order: front row removed out of the side door, then rear and middle rows removed out of the rear door.
- Pull on the release straps found behind each leg (Picture 1), this will unlock the legs from the floor track.
- Once legs are unlocked lift seat upward. (Picture 2)
- Now pull seat back to unhook the leg from the front. (Picture 3)
- At this point the seat should be free and can removed from vehicle.

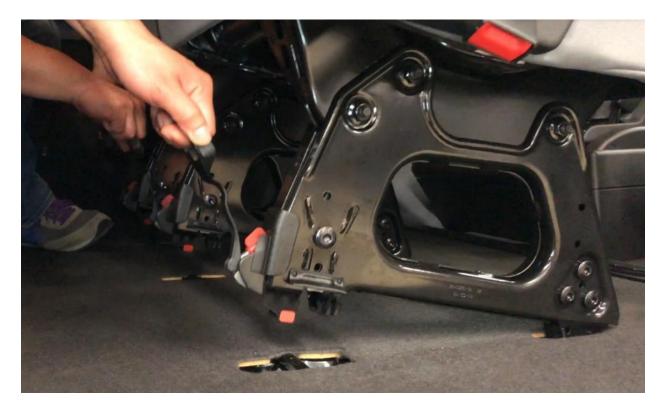


(Picture 1)





(Picture 2)



(Picture 3)



#### 2. Remove OEM legs from OEM seats

• With the seats out, remove the 3 bolts shown below using a T50 torx socket and ratchet:



• Keep the bolts and legs together as they will be used on the new seat assembly.

NOTE: Freedman Seating does not supply hardware for OEM legs.



### 3. Install OEM legs to Freedman Seat Assembly

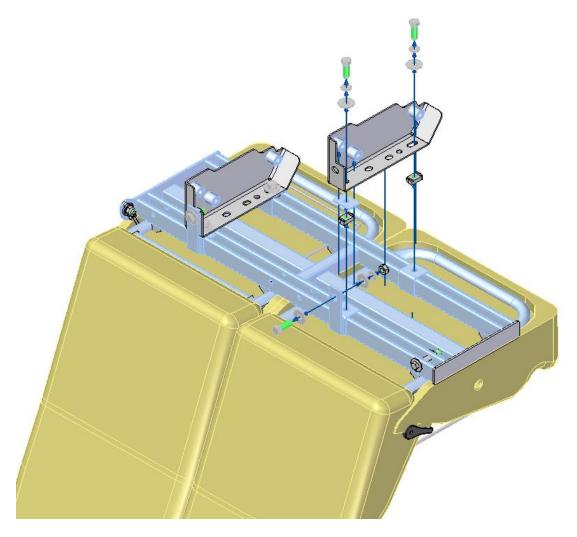
• Your new Freedman seat will look something like this:



- The seats come with adapter brackets which accept the OEM legs.
- Ensure adapter bracket locations on seat match that of the OEM floor rail locations before proceeding.



• If bracket adjustment is needed or brackets need to be installed, see the following diagram for details:



- Adapter brackets are attached to the seat base frame using Unistrut nuts and ½"-13 x 1 ½" bolts as shown.
- Bolts on rear Unistrut rail and rear sleeve are to be tightened to 55-60 Ft-Lbs. Bolt in the front rail are to be tightened to 30 Ft-Lbs.



• With adapter brackets in their correct location, insert the OEM legs into the adapter brackets as shown:



• Align the holes in the adapter brackets with those in the OEM legs, place bolts as shown below and tighten to 45 ft. lbs





• With the OEM legs installed on the seats, they are now ready to go into the vehicle:



• Repeat above steps for all quick release seats, the final product will look something like this:





## 4. Alternate/Unique Applications

• Not all OEM seats will be "Quick Release", some will require additional steps to be removed. Below are two examples:



(Sliding Door Entry Seat)



(Wheelhouse Seat)



• These seats are bolted in place, removing the plastic trim cover on the back of each OEM leg or wall mount will expose the bolts to be removed:





- With the bolts removed, the seats will now be free to be moved out of the vehicle.
- For the 1pl near the sliding door: remove the OEM leg from the OEM seat and install on your new Freedman seat as explained earlier.
- For the wheelhouse seat: remove the OEM leg and support stand from the OEM seat, there is no need to remove the OEM wall mount as this will be incorporated into your new Freedman Seat. Install the OEM leg and support stand onto your Freedman seat.
- Install your new Freedman seat into your vehicle using the same hardware and location as the OEM that you removed.

#### 5. Other items to consider:

- Some vehicle models have seat belt mechanisms mounted to the side walls of the rear row. It is recommended that these are NOT removed.
- All Freedman seats include integrated seat belts; therefore, any existing OEM belts will not be used.