Removing VW Seat Back Lock Cylinders

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The lock cylinder will start in either the fully locked or unlocked position, with the slot in the cylinder running parallel to the edge of the handle trim closest to the lock cylinder.



Insert the correct key and rotate the cylinder 90 degrees so that it is halfway between the locked and unlocked positions.



CAREFULLY pull straight up on the key and the lock cylinder will come out of the handle trim plate.



The lock cylinder assembly is made up of a cylinder that is common to all key codes, three keyed inserts, and three small springs. If care is not exercised in the previous step, the springs and inserts may be lost. When inserting the cylinder into your new seats, make sure that, with the key in the lock cylinder, all inserts are flush with the sides of the cylinder body. If they are not flush, the cylinder will not fit in the hole in the handle trim plate, and the inserts are improperly positioned for the key code.

