Convertible Top Hydraulic Bleeding Instructions

*We recommend using automatic transmission fluid, Non-Synthetic Dexron III for example, in all hydraulic convertible top and power window systems 1953-2008.

- 1. Disconnect the convertible top cylinders from the convertible top frame by removing the bolt/pin in the end of the cylinder rod.
- 2. Remove fill plug from the end of the reservoir can. Most cars before 1963 use a large slotted screw, while most cars 1963 and later use a rubber plug. THE FILL HOLE MUST REMAIN OPEN WITH THE RESERVOIR PLUG REMOVED FOR THE ENTIRE BLEEDING PROCEEDURE. Place a rag below the fill hole to soak up any residual fluid that may run out during the bleeding process.
- 3. Fill your reservoir can three quarters full, or to the bottom of the fill hole while the motor pump is level.
- 4. Using the convertible top switch, operate the motor pump to extend the convertible top cylinders, adding fluid as necessary to complete a full revolution out and in. TOP CYLINDERS WILL ALWAYS MOVE IN AND OUT AT UNEVEN RATES WHEN OPERATED WITHOUT A LOAD.
- 5. Once you have completed a full revolution out and in, with the top cylinders retracted, fill the reservoir can to three quarters full then complete another revolution.
- 6. Repeat step 5 until the fluid level in the reservoir can is three quarters full, or to the bottom of the fill hole, at the end of the revolution.
- 7. Reconnect the convertible top cylinders to the convertible top frame and insert the reservoir plug to complete the procedure.