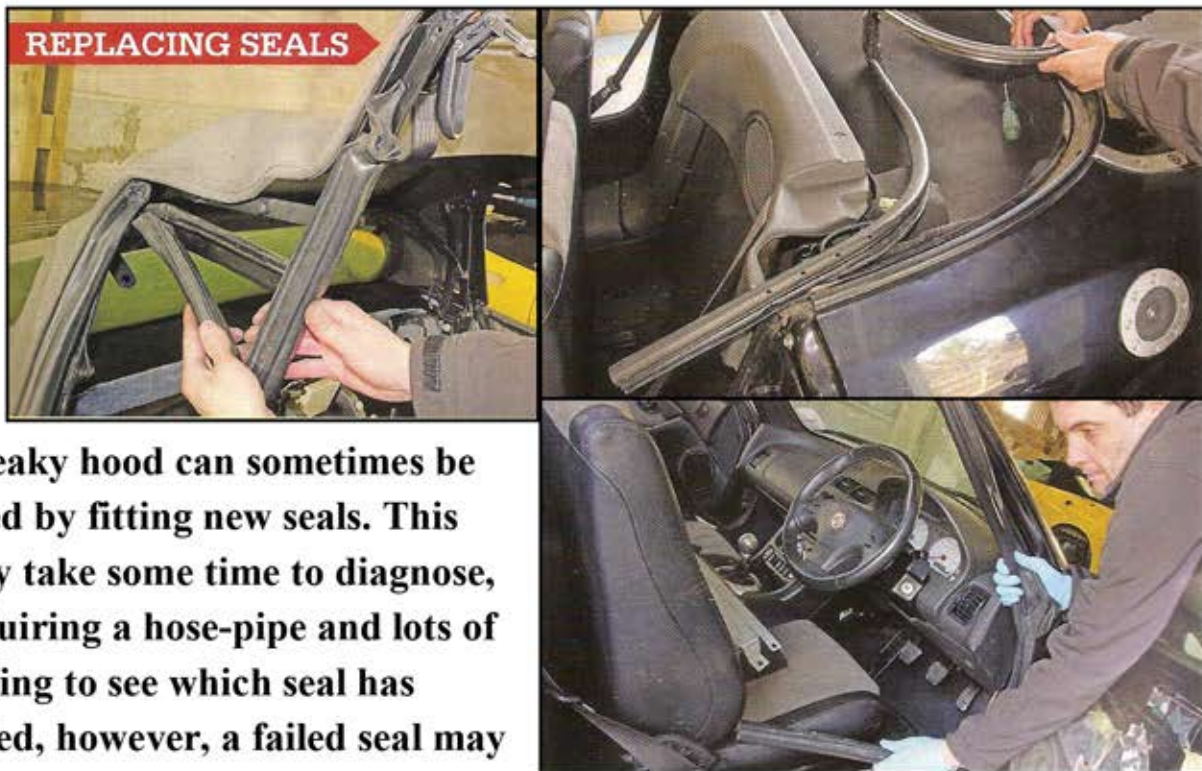


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Soft-top Renovation



If the hood lifts off at speed, check you have secured the front catches properly and make sure the mounting bolts are fully tightened on the catches and the strikers fitted to the underside of the windscreen top



A leaky hood can sometimes be fixed by fitting new seals. This may take some time to diagnose, requiring a hose-pipe and lots of testing to see which seal has failed, however, a failed seal may be easy to spot if it's flat and

water is getting past it, but make sure nothing else can be adjusted to fix the problem, such as a door or glass. New seals are expensive for some cars, but good condition second-hand seals are sometimes available and worth fitting to save money.

Peter Jones at MGFMania recommends soaking a deformed or hardened seal in hot water with detergent, then coating it in a rubber conditioner, such as Einzsett Gummipflege.