

How To Replace Battery - '09 DB9

Today I replaced the original battery in my 2009 DB9 Volante and figured I'd take pictures and post instructions for future first-time-owners.

Although replacing a battery isn't among the most difficult of things with which we can be faced, I wanted to take some of the uncertainty out of the task for those who've not done one on a DB9.

My car is a US spec (left hand drive) car, so the term "passenger" or "right" side both represent the passenger seat in a US spec vehicle.

- 1) The battery is under the rear, passenger seat squab
- 2) Lower the top (if a convertible) and the windows
- 3) Move or tilt the passenger seat forward
- 4) Grab the bottom seat squab from the front, and lift up and towards the front seat to remove



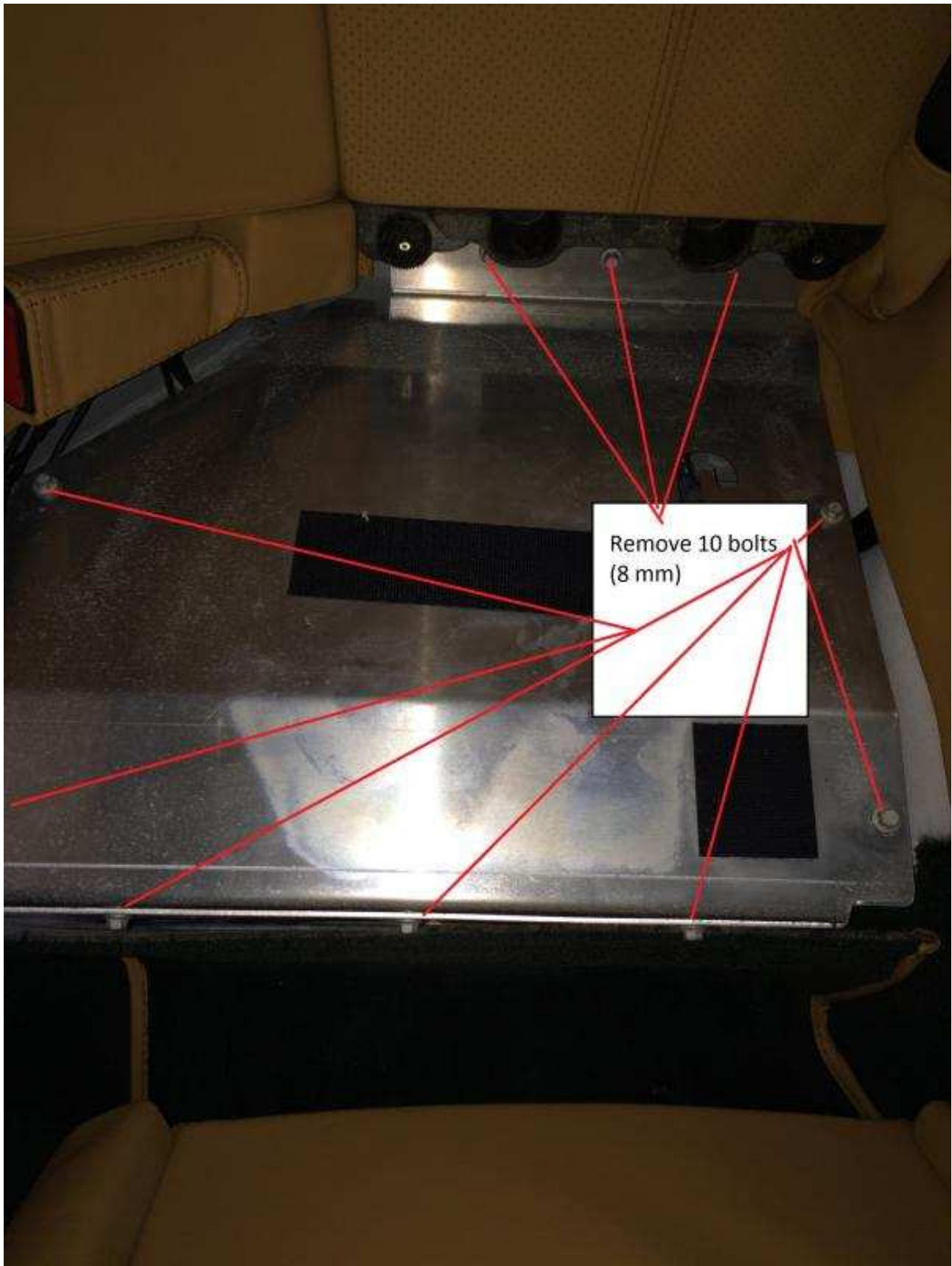
(replace next photo with one showing bolts still in place)



5) Remove the lower trim piece by pulling it away from the car. It is held on by hook-and-loop (velcro)



6) Remove the 10, 8 MM bolts that hold the aluminum panel in place



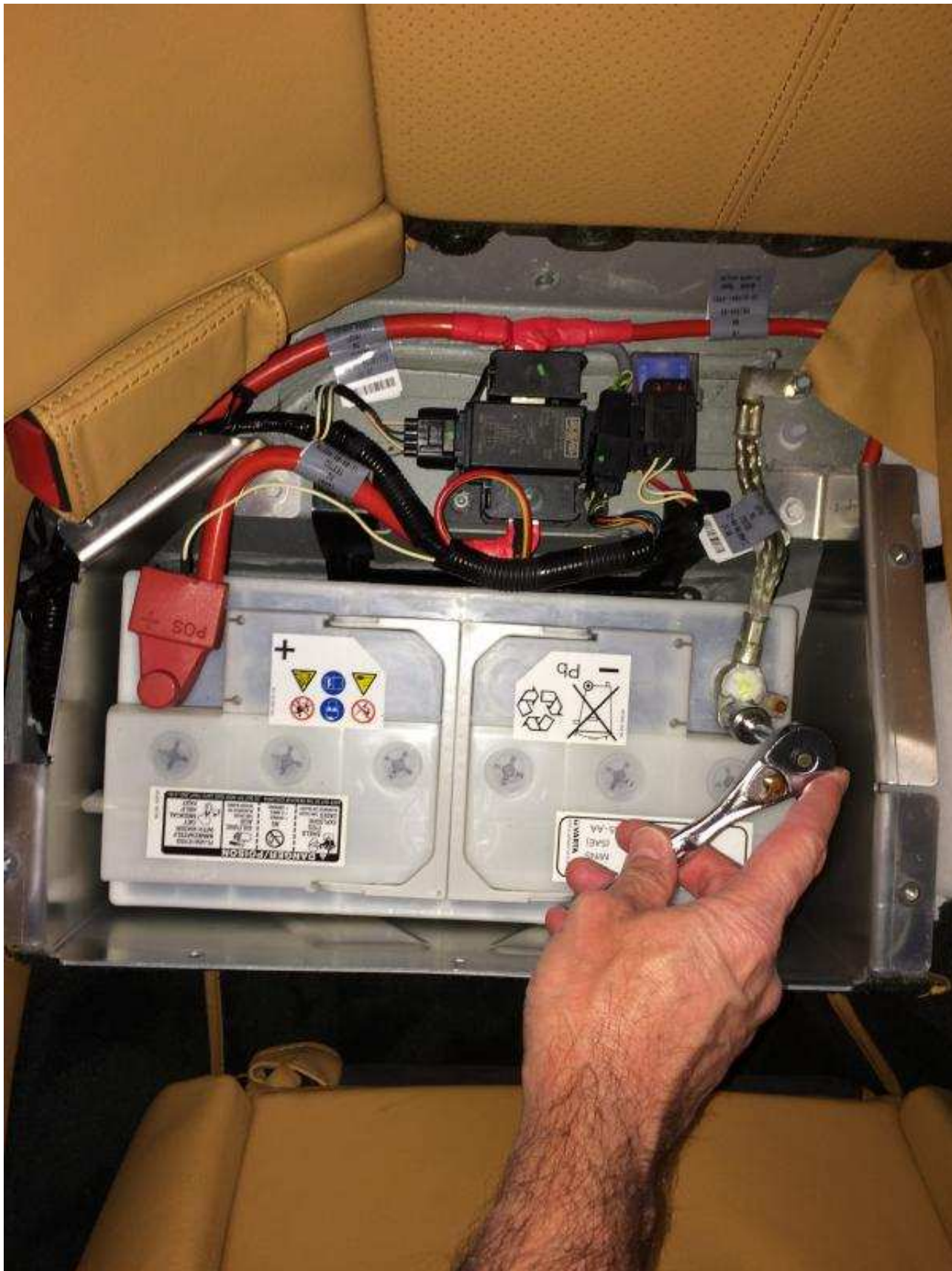
7) 3 of the bolts are hidden behind that trim



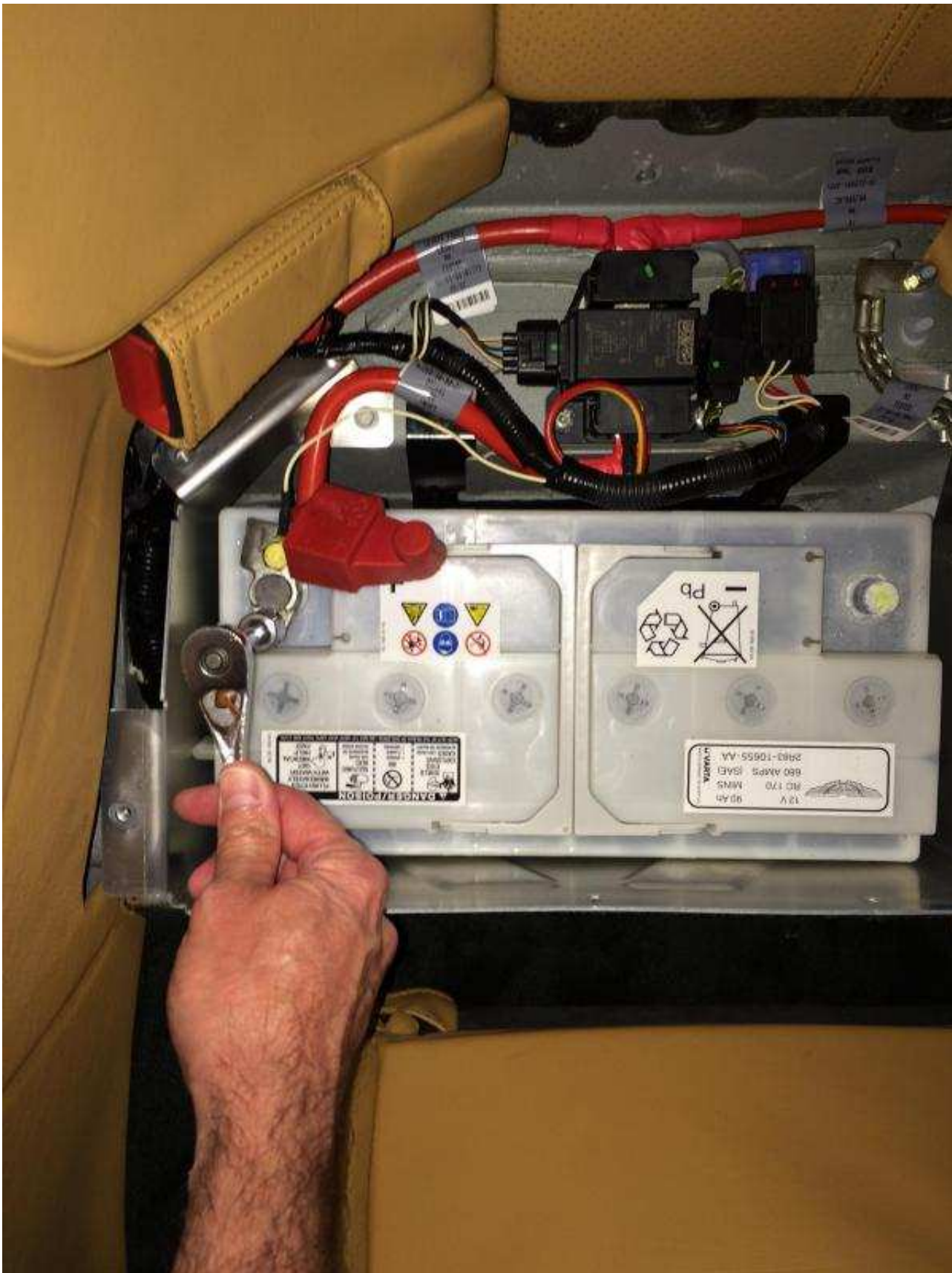
8) Remove the aluminum panel by sliding forward and lifting up, being careful not to damage the surrounding leather



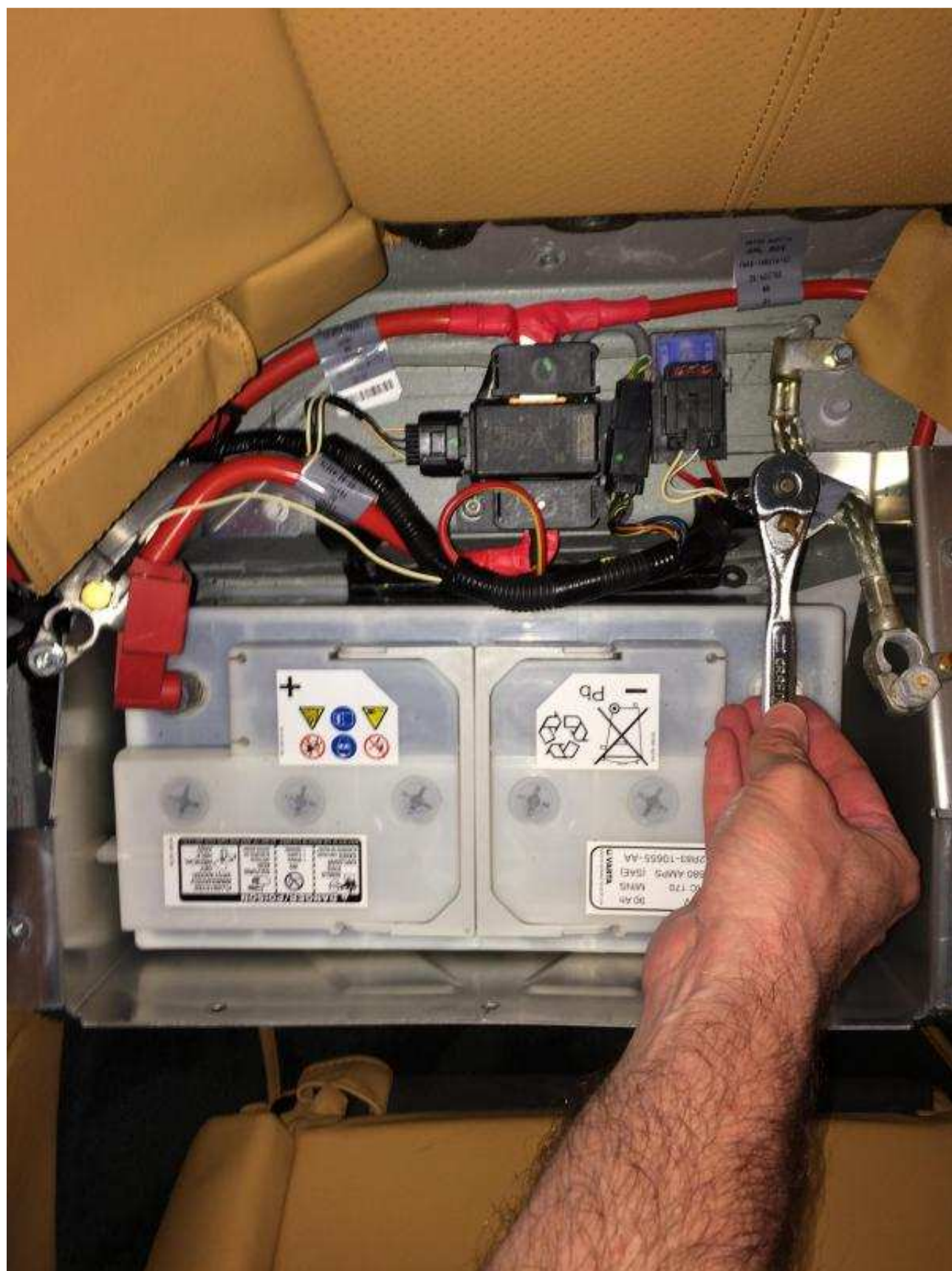
9) Disconnect the negative strap (13 mm nut)

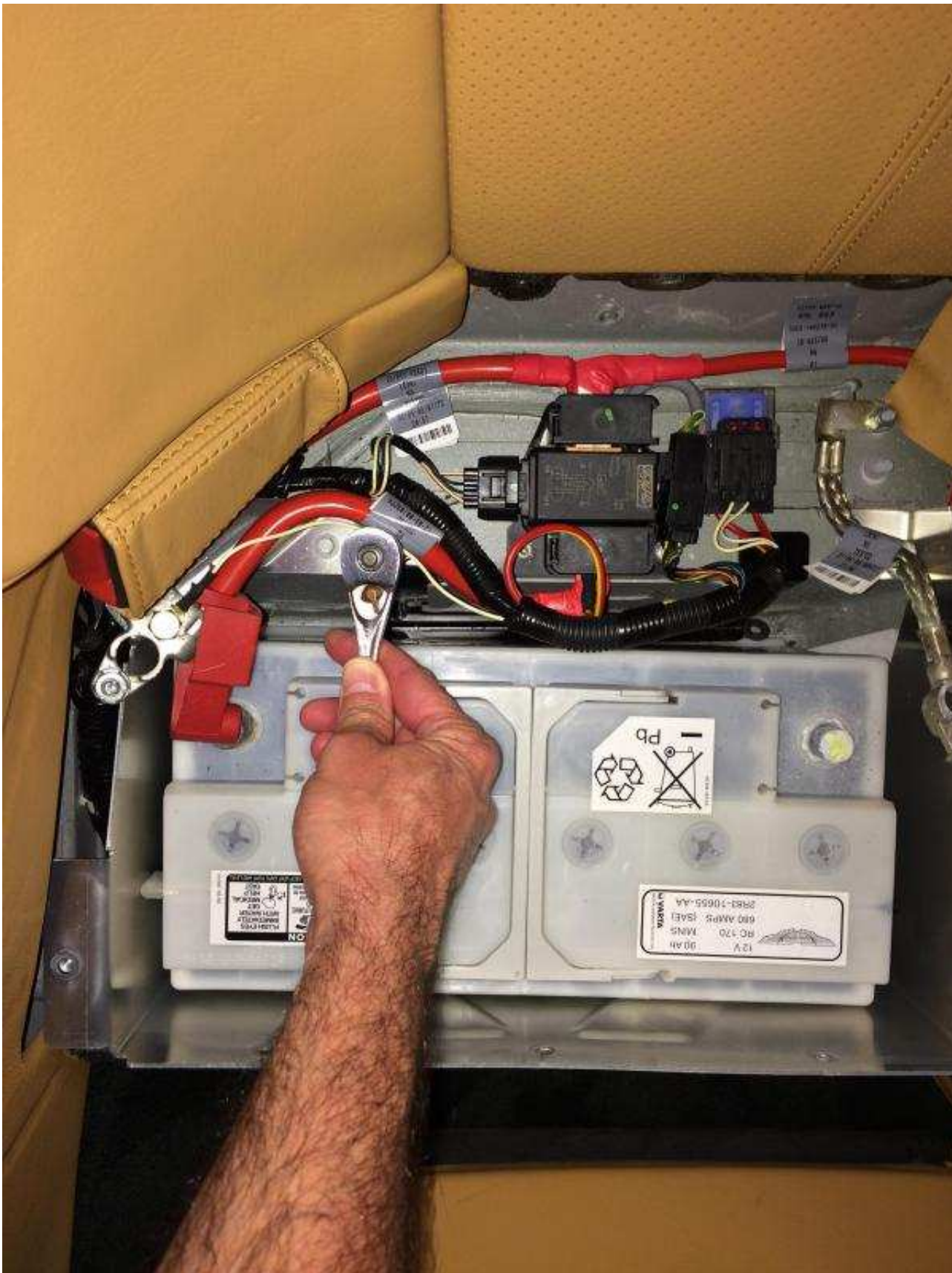


10) Move the red boot aside and disconnect the positive cable (13 mm nut)



11) Remove the 2 battery hold-down bracket bolts (8 mm)





- 12) Lift up the battery hold-down bracket. Prepare to use foul language as it comes up a very specific way, and then remove the battery
- 13) This is the hold-down bracket. Note that it is in the "up" position with the gray body tabs threaded through the opening near the bottom of the bracket. Getting the bracket up while snaking those tabs through the slots, using ungloved hands on sharp metal, was "fun".



- 14) Install new battery, don't forget the vent tube!
- 15) Press the battery hold-down bracket down into place, and secure with 2 bolts (8 mm)
- 16) Connect the positive [battery cable](#), and reposition the red boot
- 17) Connect the negative battery strap



- 18) Install the aluminum plate and fasten the 10 bolts (8 mm)
- 19) Install the trim at the bottom of the seat by pressing it in place
- 20) Install the bottom seat squab by inserting the rear under the trim from step 19 and then pushing into place
- 21) Start car
- 22) Execute window upper/lower limit reset procedure
- 23) Reset clock

I did not lose my radio pre-sets.