

## To Change BMW C1 Stand “Weak Link”

First raise stand manually and, with a pad to protect your paintwork, lean the C1 against a wall



Then raise the stand manually and look underneath the C1. Near the stand look for this



part with the cables attached. Just to check that it is the weak link broken and not a cable, move the raise lower lever to and fro and you should see this assembly moving. If it does, good – it is just the weak link broken. If not then, well its grief apparently.

Here is a pic of the replacement part you need, and the BMW number



Assuming it is moving, remove the circlip you can see. Then undo the cable adjuster nuts right off to give you max slack. Remove the cables from the mechanism. Mark the face of the metal quadrant and with a bit of a wiggle (and perhaps some gentle levering with a screwdriver) the quadrant will slide off.

Behind the metal quadrant you will see the offending plastic part with the 2 broken pins (this pic shows a new one in place but you get the idea) Remove the plastic part by levering with a screwdriver gently (be careful, there is a switch "blade" that slides on the plastic part – don't damage it). Then remove the 2 broken pins left poking out of the metal quadrant

Now – ready to replace it all. First you must mate the plastic weak link to the quadrant (noting your earlier mark to note the front of the quadrant). A gentle tap on the floor will be required to push the pins of the weak link into the quadrant. Then install the unit onto the shaft again and slide it along (careful with the switch blade again) until it matches up with the stand holes and notches. A gentle tap may be required to finally seat it before replacing the circlip. Now, some manipulation is required to reinstall the cables – using a combination of moving the raise/lower lever inside the “cabin”. I found it easiest to fit the left cable (as shown above) , then insert the lead stop bit of the right cable and finally slotting in the adjuster. Providing both adjusters are fully slackened you won’t have any bother. Both cables must then be adjusted to remove the slack. Hopefully then, you are back to looking like this



But this time your stand will move – well, mine did!