## 6<sup>th</sup> Gen VFR Headlamp bulb replacement – How to

So I had a dead main beam bulb. Here's how I fixed it.

Step one remove the relevant plastic end cover at the side of the instrument panel.



Getting this panel out without breaking anything is the most difficult task, so take your time. You will find access a lot easier if you put the bike on its centre stand, turn the steering towards the side you are working on, and protect the tank with a cloth, as you'll probably end up sticking bits on it.



Next remove the two hex screws on the panel - one on the top and one on the side.



Once the fixings are out, free the outboard end of the panel and carefully free the panel from the various lugs/clips working towards the instrument panel.

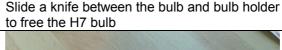


Now free the bulb/bulb holder unit Press in on the curly silver metal bit and then push it upwards to free it from the catch Rotate the catch to the side and lift the bulb/holder out





Here's what the bulb looks like when its still mounted in its holder





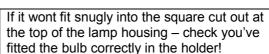


Refitting is basically the reverse of the above. But take note of the following points:-

Its OK to touch the bulb holder BUT avoid touching the glass bit of the replacement bulb with your fingers – or you'll be doing this again very soon!!!

Ensure you fit the bulb into the holder correctly

— The flat bits must be lined up.







If you need to change the dipped beam bulbs basically the same instructions apply BUT they are located a lot further down behind the instruments, and can be a real hassle to get to, especially from above, so you may find it easier to sit on the floor and access them from below. Visibility will be a major issue and you will need to work mainly by feel. However the bulb is fitted in the same way. Follow the steps above starting from "Reach in and pull the wiring plug from the rubber gasket". One tip - just free the rubber gasket enough to get into and free the bulb/bulb holder. If you pull it completely off, you may find it is a real pain to get back in and fully sealed!

Good luck