

## Scalping and head opening – Radiant Blythes

1. If you're used to scalping EBL and SBL girls, you'll be surprised to find there is now a third screw in the back of RBL's head. First, remove all three screws (put them in a safe place). Use a crochet hook or tweezers to un-hook the spring in the square hole.
2. Next, squeeze her ears to release the clips underneath them. The back of her head should lift off easily.
3. You will see one more screw located in her forehead. Loosen it halfway.
4. Her scalp will now lift off of her head. If you're opening her to do makeup or eyechip work, you're done! You can follow the same eye removal procedure (refer eye removal) starting with step 2.



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5. The new Radiant scalp is a 2-piece contraption - a soft rubber scalp with a long flange pinched into a hard plastic dome piece. Since the only RBL I have to work with at the moment is Darling Diva, and I don't plan on removing her scalp completely, I will just let you know what my findings are with the new scalp. It appears that there is no glue used to hold the scalp to the cap, just a friction fit (a very tight one at that). Above you can see I used an exacto blade to make sure the flange would separate cleanly from the cap.
6. I then used a screwdriver to see if the flange would be able to be pried out of the cap. It slipped out fairly easily. Putting it back, seems to be another story. The softness of the rubber makes it difficult to re-insert. I stopped after prying a few centimeters so that I wouldn't have an impossible-to-assemble scalp on my hands. From what I can tell, after the scalp is removed, the flange will probably have to be cut shorter and then reinserted. I'll update this tutorial after the first regular-priced release is made available and I can really experiment on the scalp. Until then, remove your RBL's scalps at your own risk!

