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## **Cleaning The Window Blinds**



### **First steps**

First of all take off the grey plastic handles on the top of the windows. Then take off the seat belt holders (the top ones only). You can now take off the grey plastic covers and undo the bolts that hold the runners for the blinds. (This will help later on). Taking off the blinds is now easy: they are only attached with double-sided tape at the top, so you can just pull them off at the top. There's a tiny nut and bolt at the bottom corner: unscrew that and you will be able to swing the bottom bar out. At the back of the screen at the bottom are two plastic clasps. These are held on by two screws: unscrew these and the blind will just slide off.

### **Wash and go**

Once you have taken off all the blinds stick them in the washing machine (use a cool wash or nylon setting). While your washer is on the go, go back to the runners that the blinds were connected to and undo the screws at any of the two top roller corners where the blinds were glued to: you want the end where the bar is spring loaded. This will let the roller bar slide out so it will be easier to stick the blinds back on to the roller. Make sure you leave the top bar next to the window it came off as they are different sizes.

## Sticky business

Once your blinds are washed and dried, stick them back on. If it's still sticky enough, use the double-sided tape already in place or buy some more double-sided tape from your local hardware store (mine just stuck straight back on).

Slide the blind onto the bottom bar. Screw the little grey plastic clasps back on the bottom. Line up the holes at the bottom of each curtain to make sure you have the right one. Swing it back into place put the top bar back in, screw the nut and bolt in the bottom corner back, then twist the spring-loaded bar at the top around a few times (this will spring the curtain around when it goes up!). Put the screws back together on the top bar and bolt the runners back on to the van. Then put all the plastic covers back on, then bolt the seat belts back on, then screw the handles back on and then it's done!

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