HOW TO CHANGE WINDSCREEN WIPER BLADES
**WHAT YOU’LL NEED**

- New wiper blades for the windscreen wipers
- Mat
- Screen wash
- Gloves

**USEFUL TO HAVE**

- Watering can, bottle or hose pipe

**HANDBY TIPS**

Choose the screen wash most appropriate to your weather conditions. For example, in winter, choose a product that contains an anti-freeze to help break down the dirt on your windscreen and prevent your screen wash from freezing.
Let’s begin with the front windscreen. Place a mat between the wipers and windscreen. Lift the wipers off the windscreen so they ‘hover’ in the air. They’ll do this on their own.

1 | PROTECT THE WINDSCREEN

Remove the wiper blades from the wiper arm. There is a clip where the two meet where the wiper blade can be detached. There are two types of clips; one that lifts off a pin; and a second that uses a hook – push this in to release before removing.

2 | REMOVE OLD WIPER BLADES

As you remove the wiper blade, lower the wiper arm on to the mat, rather than leaving it in the air as before. This avoids the wiper arm springing down on to the screen and causing damage to the glass.

3 | LOWER THE ARM
Collect the new wiper blade, unpacked and ready to be installed. One at a time, hold on to the new wiper blade and raise the wiper arm, holding on to it as you do so, again so it doesn’t spring back on to the windscreen.

Fix the new wiper blade on to the wiper arm either by lowering the wiper blade on the pin until it clicks, or hooking it into position, depending on your wiper blade type.

Lower the wiper blades back on to the windscreen and remove the mat.

If your car has a rear windscreen, let’s change that wiper blade now, so go to the back of the car and repeat steps one to five.

Park your car on a flat surface and ensure your engine is cool, as you’ll be going under the bonnet into the engine bay. A warm or hot engine adds to the risk of getting burnt.

Pop the bonnet and make sure it’s safely propped up using the car’s bonnet rod.
7 LOCATE THE RESERVOIR

Find the reservoir cap and lift the flap, which is often blue with a spray symbol.

If your car has a level indicator, check how full it is.

8 POUR IN THE SCREEN WASH

You can purchase a pre-mixed screen wash, which you can simply pour in until full.

If you have a concentrate, this will need to be combined with fresh water. Therefore, check the instructions on how to mix. You may wish to use a watering can or hosepipe for this.

Once completed, replace the reservoir cap, remove all items from the engine bay and close the bonnet.