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## **P1800 Cabin Air Intake**

All P1800's

Prevention of water spillage into cabin

Every year, particularly if the car has stood near trees, it is essential to clear the drain hole in the air intake; build up of debris in the plastic bucket will cause the water to dump onto your feet at the first LH bend!

- Gently lift off the air intake grille (on the scuttle immediately for'd of the screen), by lifting the front edge about 1" from the edges.
- Use a vacuum to clear any debris from the central drain hole.
- Re assemble

## **Window Scrapers, replacing (Az early 140/164)**

*...the rubber that stops water dripping down the drop-glass inside the door...*

Ideally, remove the drop glass first, this makes the job easier.

1. Remove the old rubber by warming it up with a hair dryer then carefully lift it up and out of the channel, trying not to allow the rubber to split/tear.
2. Make sure the channel is as clean as possible by brushing out.
3. Trim the rubber to the exact length of the channel.
4. Buy a bottle of interior vinyl-dressing (like "Back to Black")...

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## Technical Tips

Liberally dribble the cleaner into the channel along its entire length, carefully apply more cleaner to the underside of the new rubber; locate the rubber end into one end of the channel, using your fingers drag about 5cm of rubber into the channel at a time, while your assistant feeds the rubber into the channel. Make sure the rubber is kept lubricated with cleaner at all times.

5. For the last ¼, you may need to try a different technique to avoid tearing the rubber...

Starting at the feed end, press your fingers onto the rubber, and drag your fingers along the length of the rubber, maintaining good pressure, this will pull about 2cm of rubber into the channel, and push the far end toward the end of the channel.

6. When the rubber reaches the far end, use technique "5" to get the 'feed' end flush with the channel end, ensuring that the rubber is not under tension.

*NB: this process can be a lot easier on a warm day!*

## **Boot Latch failure (Amazon saloon)**

The threaded hoop in the handle mechanism is what corrodes and fails at the top; so the task is to create a stiff bit of wire with which to fish beneath the handle and through the bottom grommet.

You will need to drop your wire over the hook and pull up, you may make this easier by firmly pressing down on the boot (to release the pressure on the latch), but it's a fiddly task that is down to perseverance until you luckily get the hook!

***UPDATE: you may be lucky in that the wire might just be poking through the grommet still, and you might get your thin-nosed pliers onto it and give it a tug with success - try this first!***

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