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# How to Clean Solar Screens

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You can use many common household items to clean solar screens. Depending on the type of screen, you can clean them while they are in place, or you can remove them for a more thorough washing. With the proper removal and correct cleaning methods, anyone can successfully clean and maintain their solar screens and continue to block direct sunlight to prevent extra heat from penetrating the home in those warm summer months.

## Things You'll Need

- ¼" hex driver (if you opt to take the screens off)
- Microfiber cloth
- Mild soap
- Water
- Soft-bristled brush
- Cotton cloth



Figure 1 This is a 1/4" hex bit for a drill.

## Cleaning Stationary Solar Screens

- Use a ¼" hex screwdriver or bit for drill as pictured) to unscrew the hex screws that hold the screen into place.
- Carefully remove the solar screen from the window, using caution not to misshape the inner portion of the screen.
- Dampen a microfiber cloth with water and a mild soap.
- Wash both surfaces of the solar screen with the dampened cloth.
- Gently scrub any baked-on dirt with a soft-bristled vegetable or cleaning brush.
- Rinse the screen by pouring clean water over the surface to remove any soap residue. You can alternately use a hose to spray off soap residue.
- Wipe down the screen with a dry cotton cloth.
- Reinsert the solar screen into the window, and re-use the ¼" screws.

## If you want us to clean the screens

We can certainly come out and take the screens off and clean them for you, of-course there is a charge associated with that service. Trip charge, labor etc. but simply call the office and arrange for an appointment.

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