

Introduction

This section gives full details of the methods and cleaning agents which should be used to achieve the best results and maintain the finish of the vehicle, both internally and externally.

Read carefully the restrictions on the use of jet washes and automatic car washes. Note that convertible models should not be washed in an automatic car wash that has rotating brushes.

Exterior Care

Valet Kit

A selection of Car Care products is available from the Jaguar accessory range.

Note: All the cleaning materials mentioned in this section are available from the Jaguar Accessory Range.

Washing

For best results, do not wash the vehicle under strong sunlight. Always allow the vehicle to cool down before washing.

Do not use a dry cloth to wipe dirty paintwork. Dust and grit are abrasive and will cause scratches. Remove dirt using a cellulose sponge and plenty of warm (never hot) water. Rinse with clean water and dry with a clean, damp chamois leather.

Do not use household soaps or detergents. The use of Jaguar Vehicle Shampoo is recommended.

Do not direct hoses at full force around door and luggage compartment seals and the convertible top. Using high pressure water jets on the paintwork is not recommended.

Do not allow bird droppings or tree sap to harden. Remove from paintwork immediately with a lukewarm soap and water solution.

In winter, when salt is used on the roads, wash the vehicle frequently, and immediately after encountering such conditions. Clean undersides and wheel arches using a high pressure jet.

Automatic Car Wash

Caution: Convertible models: Do not use an automatic car wash that has rotating brushes. The action of the brushes may damage the exterior fabric of the convertible top.

Note: Regular use of automatic car washes tends to dull the lustre of the paintwork.

Before entering the car wash it is essential to:

Switch off the radio to retract the aerial,

Remove wing mounted telephone antennas,

Fold down screen mounted telephone antennas,

Fold in door mounted rear view mirrors.

Note: If your vehicle is fitted with a Jaguar approved cellular telephone, you are advised to switch the telephone and the ignition OFF.

After leaving the car wash, switch on the windscreen wipers immediately to remove water and prevent a build up of wax. Jaguar Screen Clean Paste helps prevent this.

Removing Grease and Tar

Remove grease or tar with methylated spirit (alcohol). White spirit is also effective, but must not be applied to rubber, particularly the windscreen wiper blades.

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Glass Surfaces

To avoid scratching glass surfaces, **do not** clean dirty glass with **dry** paper or cloth. Use clean, warm water and a chamois leather which is reserved for glass only.

The following products will ensure glass surfaces and windscreen wiper blades are kept in good condition:

Jaguar Screen Clean Paste – Apply to the exterior of the windscreen **only** to ensure effective operation of the windscreen wiper blades.

Jaguar Glass Cleaner – Interior and exterior of all other surfaces.

Jaguar Screen Wash – Washer reservoir additive.

Jaguar De-icer, ice scraper, anti-mist wipe cloth – for use in adverse weather conditions.

Note:

1. Renew the wiper blades when worn to prevent scratching. Clean regularly with a mild detergent solution.
2. The windscreen should be cleaned with Jaguar Screen Clean Paste at every service interval.

Under Hood Cleaning

Under hood cleaning using high pressure hoses or steam cleaners should only be carried out by a Jaguar Dealer. The electronic control modules and fuse boxes could be damaged by indiscriminate use of cleaning equipment.

Convertible Top Fabric

Caution:

1. **Automatic car wash brushes and detergents may damage the fabric.**
2. **Do not use spot cleaners, chemical dilutants or any organic cleaners. If in doubt, contact your Jaguar dealer.**

To maintain the appearance and condition of the convertible top, the recommendations given below should be followed. This is of particular importance in the case of light coloured tops.

Do not leave the top in the open (folded) position for longer than is necessary, as in certain circumstances permanent soiling along the folds may occur.

Cleaning: Every 1000 miles (1600 km) vacuum clean and wash the convertible top using the Jaguar Soft Top Cleaning Kit, carefully following the instructions enclosed.

Reproofing: Every 5000 miles(8000 km) reproof the top using the solution in the cleaning kit, carefully following the instructions enclosed.

Paint Chips

Scratches and chips should be touched in before weathering action begins. Inspect the paintwork immediately after the vehicle has been washed.

Polishing Paintwork and Chromium Plating

For maximum protection against road dust, salts, industrial fallout etc., it is recommended that the vehicle is polished regularly using Jaguar Polish, Chrome Polish and a Polishing Cloth.

Alloy Road Wheels

Alloy wheels have an anti-corrosion protective coating, which should not be damaged.

Wash the wheels at two week intervals to avoid an accumulation of particles which could become embedded in the wheel surface.

In salty conditions the wheels should be cleaned weekly.

Chromium-plated Alloy Road Wheels

It is recommended that chromium-plated alloy road wheels are cleaned using Jaguar Vehicle Shampoo and Chrome Polish.

Caution: Do NOT use proprietary wheel cleaners.

Aerial Care

Regular cleaning with a special aerial cleaner, will ensure smooth and reliable operation of the aerial.

Always wipe the aerial in an upwards direction.

Lubricate using an aerial maintenance wipe cloth.

In freezing conditions check that no ice has formed over the top of the aerial, which could prevent it being raised and cause damage to the motor.

The Jaguar Aerial Cleaning Kit contains the necessary maintenance items.

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Interior Care

Brush and clean the interior regularly. Use a vacuum cleaner where possible to remove all dust from the interior and trim.

Carpets

Marks or stains can be removed by gentle scrubbing with a weak solution of soap and warm water.

For more stubborn stains a commercially available carpet cleaner should be used. See your Jaguar Dealer for advice.

Headlining

Remove dust in the headlining with a vacuum cleaner. To remove stains, rub briskly without pressing, using a lint-free white cloth, moistened with methylated spirit.

Leather Upholstery

Dust and dirt can penetrate the pores and creases of leather, causing surface wear and brittleness. Clean regularly to maintain the leather in first class condition.

Wipe the surfaces using a cloth dampened with warm soapy water; avoid flooding. Rinse with clean water. Allow to dry and rub with a clean soft cloth. Use Jaguar Leather Cleaner for heavily soiled areas.

Use only mild non-caustic soap. Do not use petrol, detergents or household cleaners, as these could damage the leather.

The appearance and durability can be improved by using Jaguar Hide Food and Jaguar Leather Conditioner.