



How to Remove Scratches from a Car's Interior

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INTRODUCTION

Daily wear and tear from groceries, luggage and sporting equipment can result in scratches and marks on a cars interior. Scratches on an interior surface can look ugly and can also depreciate your cars value over time. No driver wants to see their vehicle with imperfections, but luckily there are things we can do to reduce and remove them. These necessary steps are easy repairs that will not only make your car look better but last longer. In order to remove scratches from a cars interior, you can either buy a specialized kit containing everything you need or use a combination of sanding, painting and heating to remove it by hand.

TOOLS:

Heat Gun (1)

Step 1 — How to Remove Scratches from a Car's Interior



- Clean the area around the scratch with the interior cleaner.
- ❗ By removing the dirt, you will keep the debris from melting into the plastic and it will result in a smooth finish.

Step 2

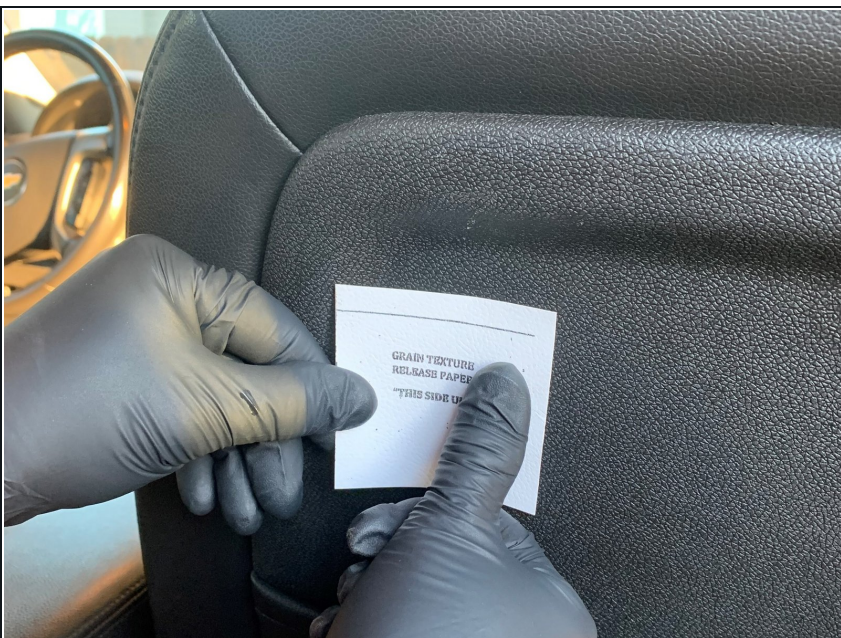


- Using the heat gun, gently apply heat to the plastic until it begins to soften.

⚠ Don't leave it on too long or else the plastic will burn and warp.

i The plastic is ready for molding when it loses its texture and becomes slightly glossy.

Step 3



- Apply the grain pad to the intended area using light pressure.

i This should smooth out the scratch and will give a textured finish that will blend in with the rest of the panel.

★ Make sure you use a grain pad that closely resembles the trim of your car.

Step 4



- Let the area cool and harden.

i The texture should now look similar to the unaffected area.

Step 5



- Use a super- fine grain sandpaper to sand out the area, making it smooth and authentic looking.

Step 6



- Clean and dry the area again using the same method as in step 1 (the interior cleaner) and you're done!

By following these steps you will be able to remove scratches from your cars interior.