



L663 Defender Window Trim Fitting Guide



The factory window trims are attached to the window frame with a thick bead of Sikaflex adhesive in the areas marked in Red and a single strip of double-sided 3M adhesive tape marked in Green.



Use a trim tool to prise away one corner of the trim and start to peel it away from the window frame.



When you have revealed enough of the trim to be able to grab it with your hand, start to pull the trim away from the window frame. The Sikaflex adhesive is extremely strong so you may even tear the plastic window trim when removing it. Luckily Land Rover was less than exact when installing the trims so you'll probably find the adhesive barely touches some areas of the back of the plastic trim.



With the window infill panel removed, use a sharp blade to remove as much of the excess black Sikaflex adhesive as possible in the areas highlighted in red below. The more of the adhesive you remove the closer the trim will sit snug to the window frame. Take care with your knife to avoid scratching the paintwork.

The adhesive is very tough and flexible so removing it is undoubtedly the most time-consuming part of the install. You can leave the adhesive around the larger glass panel in place as this isn't so noticeable and you'll probably be bored of trying to remove the adhesive around the smaller window by now!



Ensure you reveal the fixing hole in the upper rear corner of the window frame where the single white fir-tree fastener on the new window trim surround will locate.



Make an incision in the centre of the fabric tape along the bottom of the window for the locating prong that you will find at the bottom edge of the new window trim.



Make sure you remove the adhesive far enough beyond the vertical upright to provide sufficient clearance for the top of the plastic trim to wrap around the vertical upright in the area arrowed in red.



Fit the trim into the aperture. Be sure to locate the front vertical edge of the trim into the narrow window channel arrowed in yellow first. Now push the trim far enough back into the channel until you can locate the fir-tree into its fixing hole. Push on the corner of the trim panel until the fir-tree grabs the window frame.

You'll notice that the outer edges of the trim are thinner and flexible and will bend backwards when you push inwards on the trim to create snug fit around the frame.

