

Replacement of Weatherstripping – Peninsula Windows

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Here are the tools you need. Trust me I have tried many other tools and if you have this set of picks this will be an easy job. I bought mine at Home Depot or Lowes. Also a can of spray silicone helps when you need to slide the weatherstripping (w/s) in its track



You will need two different w/s from Peninsula. It is called Fin-seal, and they charged me 0.50 per foot for it. The taller version is for the cross bar that seals the stationary window to the sliding window. The shorter version is for the channels on both sides of the sliding window.



Please follow this sequence of removing the tracks and window. Other sequences do not work so well.

First, push up on the screen and swing out from the bottom



Fish into the slot between the w/s on the top side of the window and start pulling the black nylon track out and down. Once you get a couple of inches out, you can slide it out to the rear. It is tough to get out. Don't worry it goes back in much easier.



When you get the upper track out, push up on the window. It should raise about 3/8 of an inch, and give enough clearance to get the bottom piece of rubber out



Now, fish the lower Nylon track out just like you did the upper.



Here is the end of the lower nylon track. Look at it carefully. It has some small weep holes in it to drain water to the outside. **Make sure you reinstall with those weep holes pointing to the exterior.**



Continuing to pull the rubber out. You can slide the window closed now to give access to the other end



Now, push down on the sliding window, and the top edge will barely clear. You can remove the sliding window at this time.



Ok, now we are ready to remove the old w/s. Take the curved hook and penetrate the plastic backing on the old weatherstripping. Pull it out. For grins, just try this with any other tool.



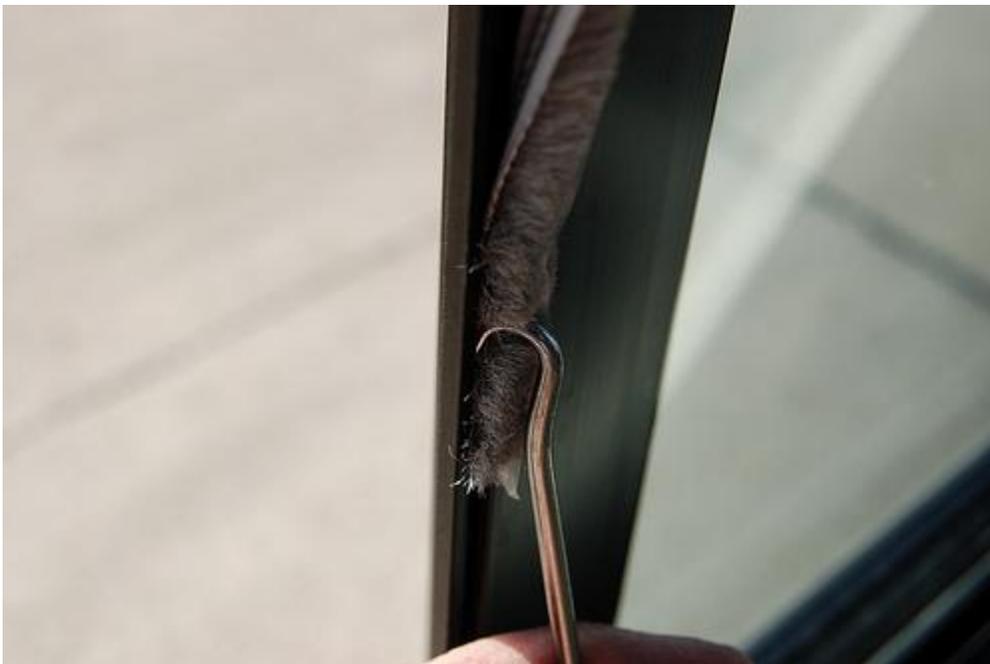
When you get a couple of inches out, you can just pull with your hands or pliers if you like.



To put the new w/s in you insert the plastic edge facing away from you into the groove that is away from you, then you use one of the picks to tuck the edge close to you into its corresponding groove. It's easy to see how this works if you visualize the slot in the aluminum as an inverted T. The plastic backing on the w/s fits into that T. You only have to work a couple of inches at the time. If you spray the aluminum with the silicone, the w/s will easily slide along the track. This is the way you get the w/s into the slot hidden by the stationary window. It also helps the insert the w/s into the straight runs and slide it around the curved sections.



Another view of inserting a few inches of the leading edge



Once you get the leading edge in, use one of the tools to tuck the other edge into the T slot. Now it's just a matter of feeding w/s into all the areas. Don't forget to feed it in at areas easy to reach, and slide it into the inaccessible places.

Reverse the sequence of disassembly to put the window back in. In other words, reinsert window, then the lower nylon track, then the bottom rubber, and finally upper nylon track. You can do it differently but this is the only way it works. In sliding the nylon tracks back into place I slid the window back and forth a bit to help walk it in.

