



## How to Wash Your Car Without Causing Damage

Cleaning your car has become an obligation for those of you who have a private vehicle. Washing your car can be done at the nearest car wash or by washing your car yourself.

Washing your own car is a fairly easy job, but it can also be difficult if you don't know how to do it. There are many things you need to know when washing your own car to avoid damage to your car.

What to Keep in Mind When Washing Your Own Car



Avoid Washing Your Car in the Sun

Washing your car in direct sunlight is not recommended because it can cause mold, which can be very dangerous for your vehicle. Wash your car on a terrace with a roof. Don't forget to recheck parts that are prone to water retention, such as door handles, lamp edges, chrome gaps, and other parts.

Wipe all parts of the car body so that they dry completely. You can also dry the car by turning on the car engine to create vibrations so that the water falls down.

- Washing Movement Must Be from Top to Bottom
  Washing the car is done by moving your hands from
  top to bottom. Do not do the opposite or rotating
  movements because it has the potential to leave
  dust and dirt behind. Do not use too much force so
  that the car body does not get scratched. Do straight
  movements from top to bottom, not in a circle.
  Circular movements can cause swirl marks that are
  difficult to remove, especially if done with excessive
  pressure.
- One important thing that you sometimes do unconsciously when washing your own car at home is lowering the window glass when it is not completely dry. Actions like this will create water spots and crust that leave marks on the window glass. This cannot be left alone because it will cause rust, which will have an impact on the performance of the motor engine window glass.

Use a Special Car Wash Soap

Many people wash their cars with any available soap at home. It's not uncommon for them to use shampoo or detergent to make the car's surface appear cleaner. This is often done either because they lack time to buy specialized car soap or simply out of convenience. However, using the right type of soap actually helps protect the vehicle's paint from scratches and preserves the color to prevent damage.

Use a Quality Sponge or Glove

Don't choose a cleaning tool carelessly. Make sure you use a soft and clean sponge or glove. This tool is effective at catching dust without scratching the car paint. Avoid using rough cloths or leftover sponges that may contain coarse particles.



Rinse the Car First Before Soaping

Make sure to rinse the entire surface of the car with running water before starting the soaping process. This will remove sand, dust, and coarse dirt that can be the main cause of scratches if rubbed directly on them.

Use a Special Car Cloth When Drying

After washing the car at home, dry it with a soft cloth. Do not let the water dry on its own because it can leave water stains that are difficult to clean and have the potential to cause crust and mold.

We hope the information above on how to wash your car without causing damage is helpful. If you need assistance or further information regarding claims, please contact us at **1500 – 674 (MSI)** and we will be happy to assist you.



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