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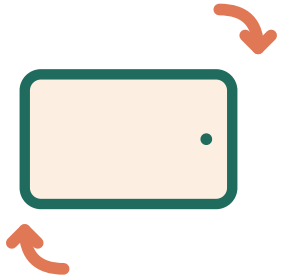
Before we start — turn your phone.

This guide is laid out wide so each step has room to breathe. Hold your phone sideways for the best view, or print it landscape for the toolbox.



ON A PHONE?

Best viewed in landscape

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You've got this. Let's fit your fly screen.

Thirteen short steps. About 30 minutes. We'll guide you the whole way — and if you have any problems, give us a shout.

~30 minutes
most installs

13 steps
in plain English

1 person
easier with 2 people

Before you start ⚠️

Quick read — these points keep your screen (and you) safe.

1

This is not a safety screen

It won't stop a child or pet from falling, provide security, or protect your belongings. Don't rely on it as a barrier — keep using your normal window restrictors and locks.

2

Always control the return

Never just let the handle bar go. Guide it gently back into the cassette every time. This matters even more on smaller screens because screens narrower than 450mm have no brake.

3

Use fixings suited to your wall

We provide screws and plugs. Please seek advice as to whether these are suitable for your fixing surface (masonry, timber, uPVC) and pre-drill carefully.

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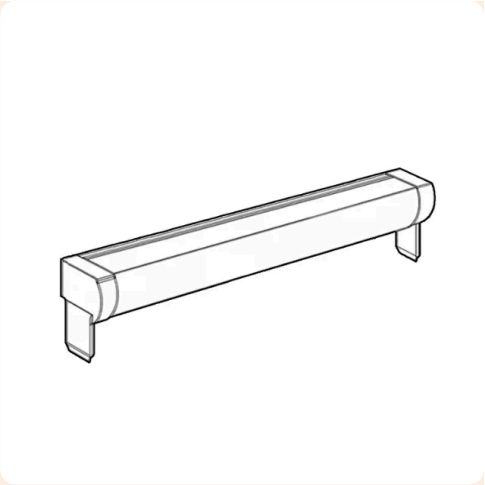
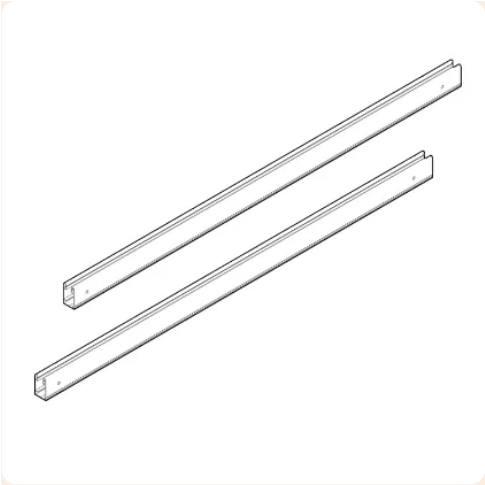


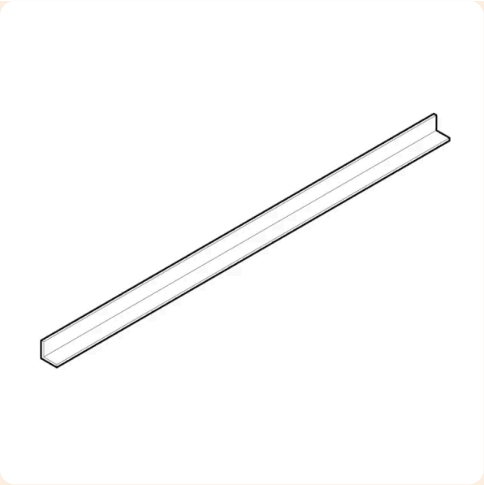
Cassette and sliding bar

The aluminium housing housing the rolled-up mesh screen. Plus the sliding bar with handle.



Pair of side channels

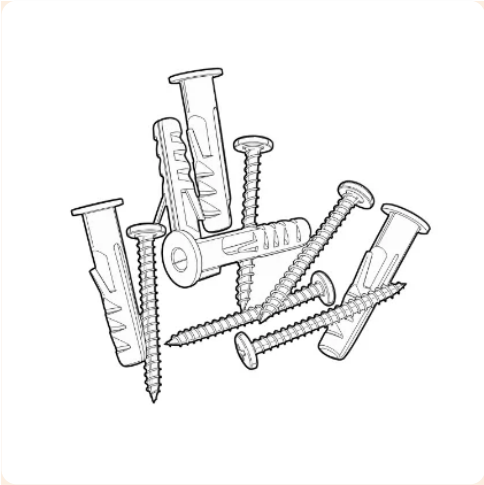
The vertical side channels that the mesh and sliding bar travels in.



IF REQUESTED

L-profile

The screen closes to the L-profile when there's no sill.



Plugs & screws

For fixing the bracket(s) and side channels. Domed, cross-headed.

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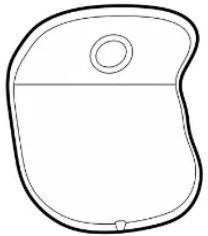
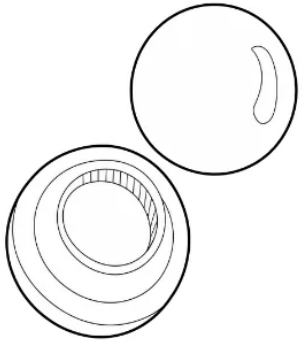


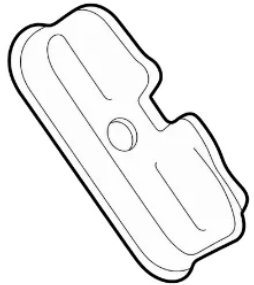
Face fix bracket

Fixes the cassette to the face of the wall above the opening. More than one for wider screens.



Cover Caps

Cover caps for the 10mm holes in the face of the side channels. Click them in place once you have fixed your channels.



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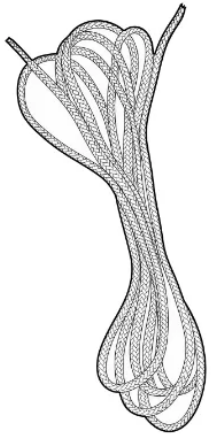
Pull Cord Holder

Remove end cap from the sliding bar. Slide holder into the groove. Replace end cap. Allows attachment of pull cord.



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Pull Cord

Thread pull cord through pull cord holder and through acorn. Tie off with a knott at each end.

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OPTIONAL

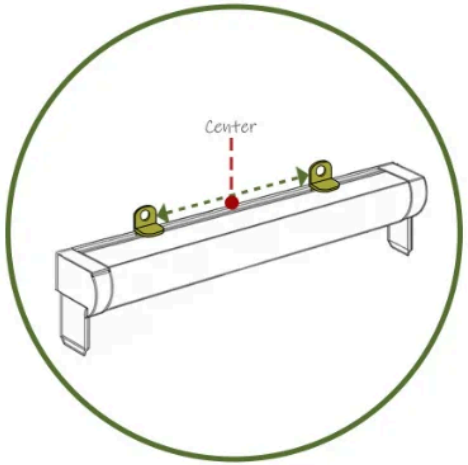
Pull Cord Acorn

For the end of the pull cord. Allows operation where the sliding bar is out of reach.

Grab these first 🛠️

Have these to hand before you begin — saves a trip back to the toolbox mid-job.

- [ ] **Cordless drill**
  with masonry & timber bits
- [ ] **Pencil**
  for marking fixing points
- [ ] **Tape measure**
  for centring brackets
- [ ] **Screwdriver**
  Phillips #2
- [ ] **Spirit level**
  check cassette and side channels are level
- [ ] **Safety glasses**
  when drilling overhead



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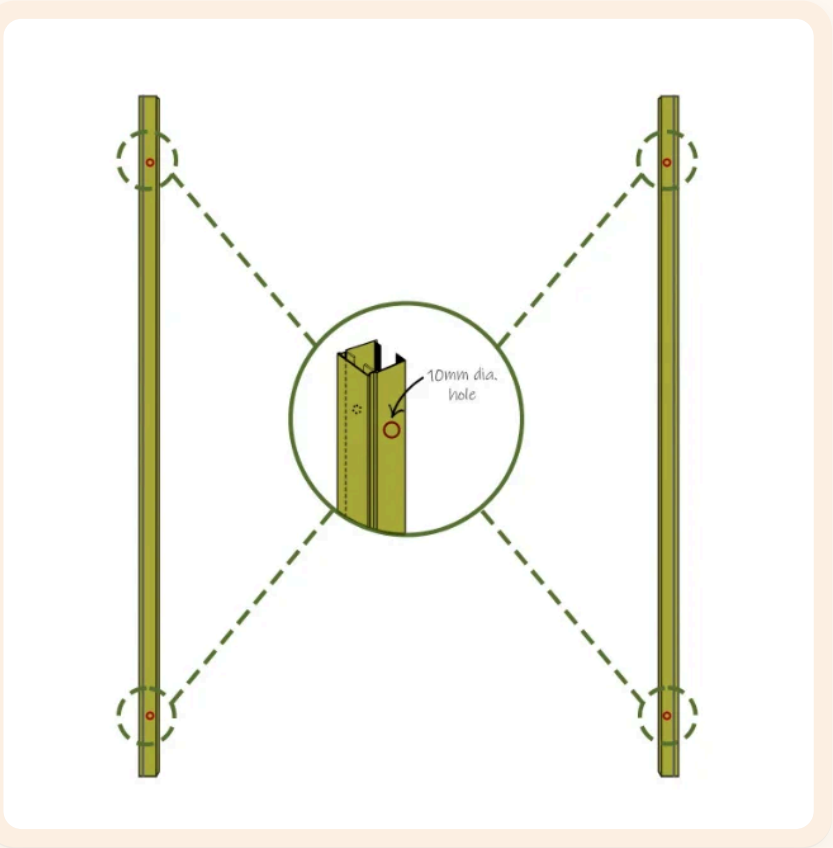
STEP 01 / 13

About 1 min

Slide on the angle bracket

Slide the angle bracket into the groove that runs along the top of the cassette and locate it centrally. Wider screens may be supplied with two brackets — space them evenly along the cassette.

Brackets slide into a groove that runs along the top of the cassette — once inserted they should slide easily.



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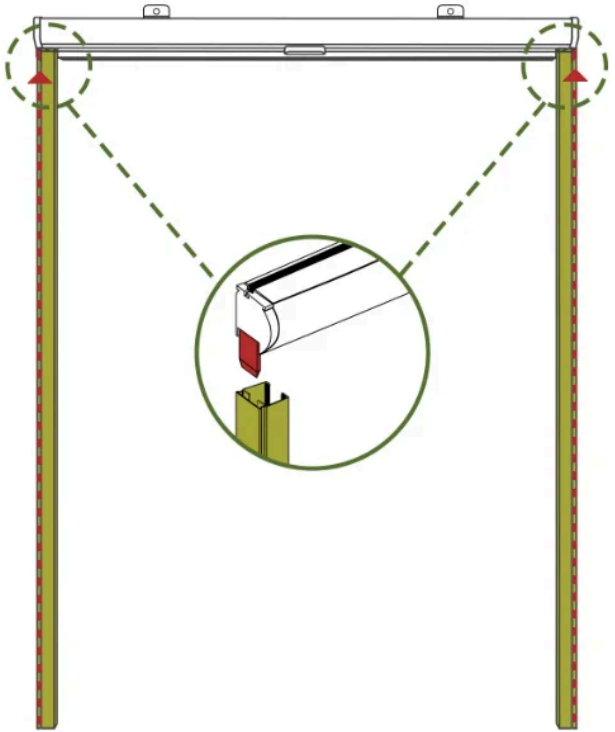
STEP 02 / 13

About 1 min

Orient your side guides

If your side channels were prepared for face fix, you'll see 10mm diameter holes on the front face of each side guide, with smaller screw holes on the rear face of the channel. The bottom of each channel will be capped.

💡 No 10mm holes? Contact us before drilling.



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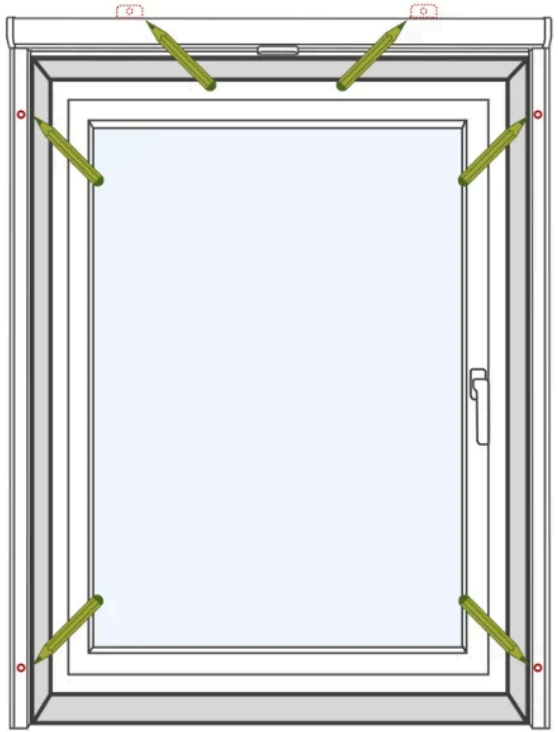
STEP 03 / 13

⏱ About 2 mins

Build a goal post frame

Slide the left and right side channels onto the tongues of the left and right cassette end-caps. You will form a 3-sided frame, like a goal post

💡 The side channels should slot fully onto the tongue, so that the top of the side channel sits behind the bottom of the cassette fascia.



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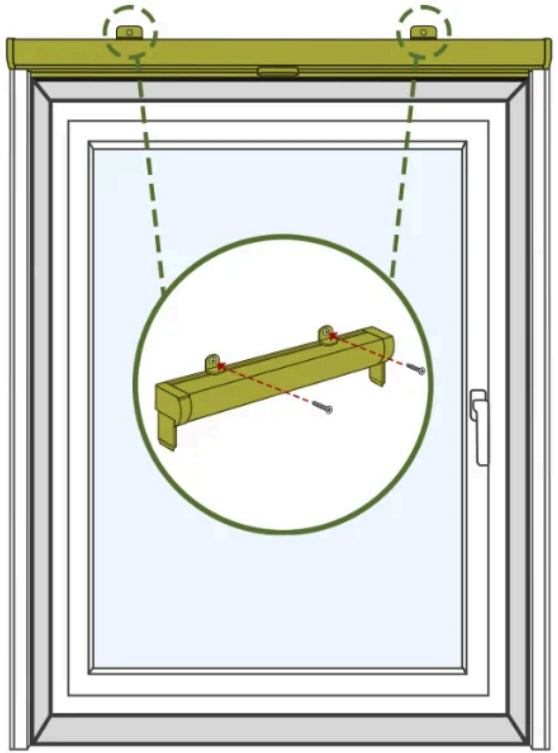
STEP 04 / 13

About 3 mins

Mark, Drill, Plug

Offer the 3 sided frame up to the window, in the position where you would like it to be fixed. Mark the bracket fixing points. Mark through each rear screw hole in the side channel onto your fixing surface. Lay the screen down. Drill the marks and insert wall plugs (if required) ready for the screws.

Before marking — use a spirit level to ensure the cassette is level. Make sure both side channels hang straight.



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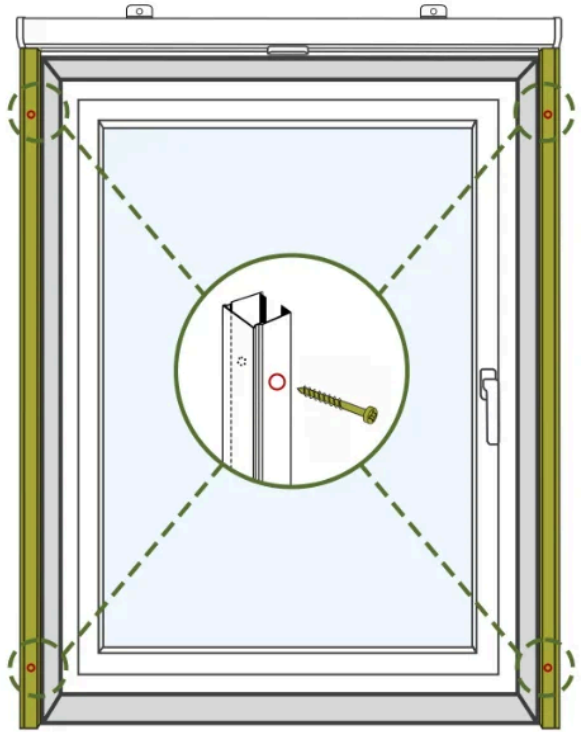
STEP 05 / 13

About 4 mins

Fix the cassette bracket

Fix the brackets in place using screws. Once screwed into place, fine tune the position of the cassette. The bracket will allow the cassette to slide left or right, allowing you to ensure that it overlaps the recess or window opening equally on each side.

The bracket allows you to fine tune the position of the cassette from side to side.



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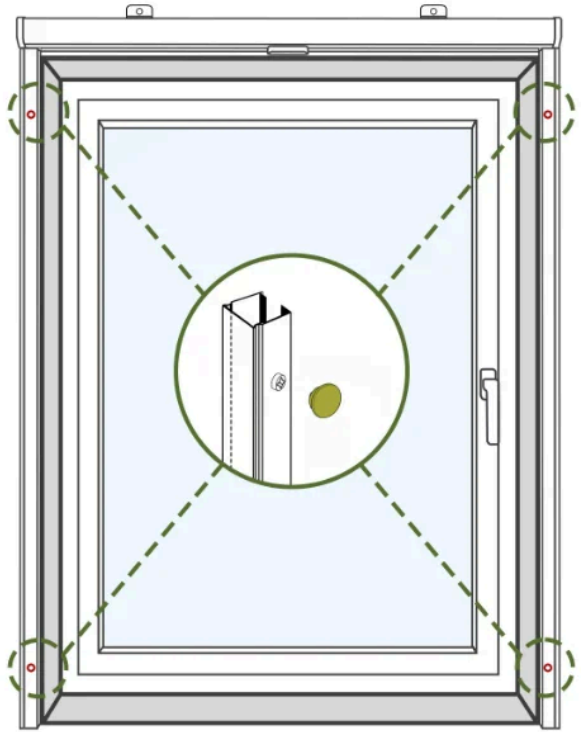
STEP 06 / 13

About 8 mins

Fix the side channels

Fix the side channels in place using screws. Each 10mm hole in the front face of the side channels should allow you to insert the screw into the smaller hole behind. Tighten the screws into place with a screw driver.

💡 Don't overtighten — snug is enough. The aluminium can dimple if you crank it.



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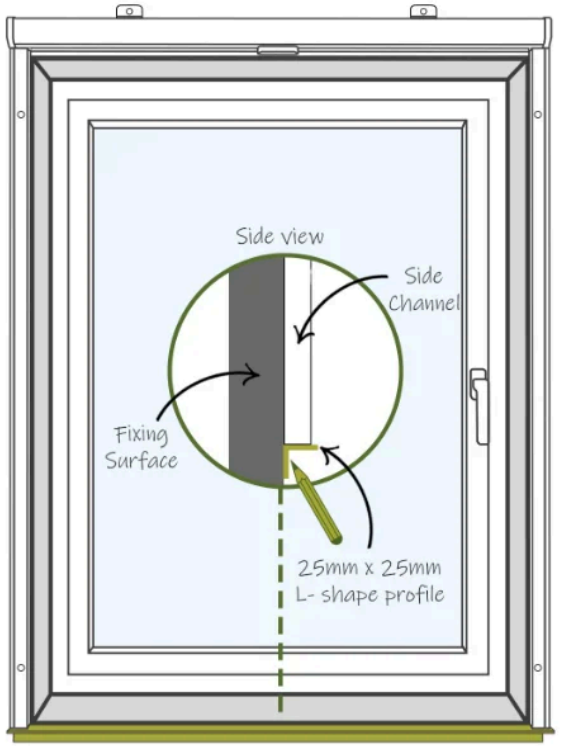
STEP 07 / 13

About 1 min

Click in the cover caps

Push the supplied cover caps over the 10mm holes on the face of each side channel. They click into place and hide the screw heads.

💡 Press with your thumb until you hear a soft click. Done.



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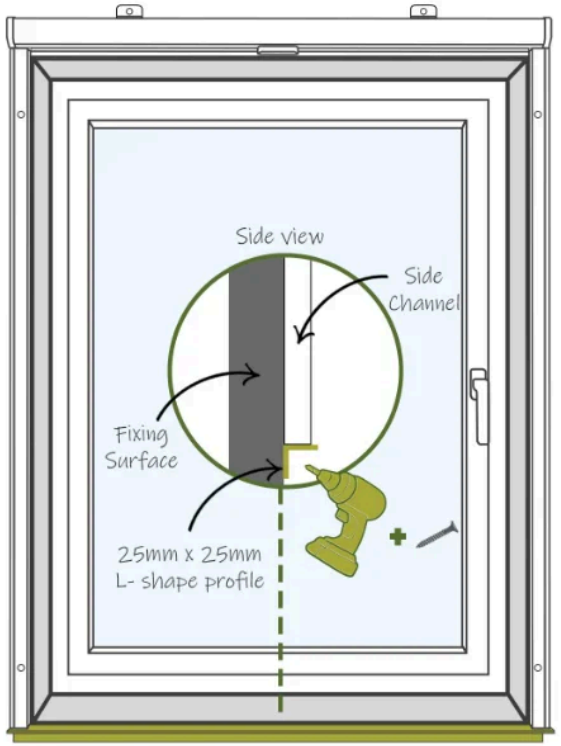
STEP 08 / 13

⏱ About 2 mins

Mark the L-profile (if supplied)

Slide the L-shaped closing profile into place across the bottom of the side channels and mark the fixing position(s).

💡 If you have a window sill that the screen can pull down to, then you don't need the L-profile.



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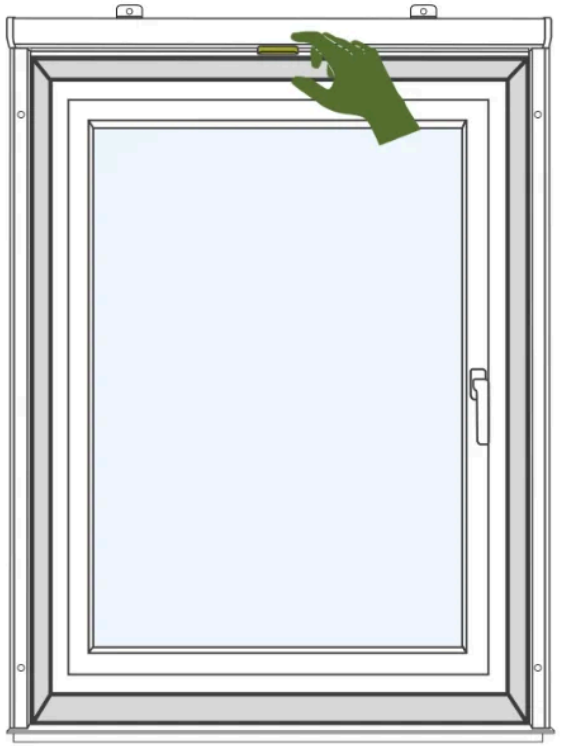
STEP 09 / 13

About 5 mins

Drill, plug & fix the L-profile

Drill a pilot hole in the L-profile for the screws at your marked points. Drill the fixing surface and plug if required. Then screw the L-profile firmly into place.

💡 The L-profile gives the screen something to seal against when there's no sill.



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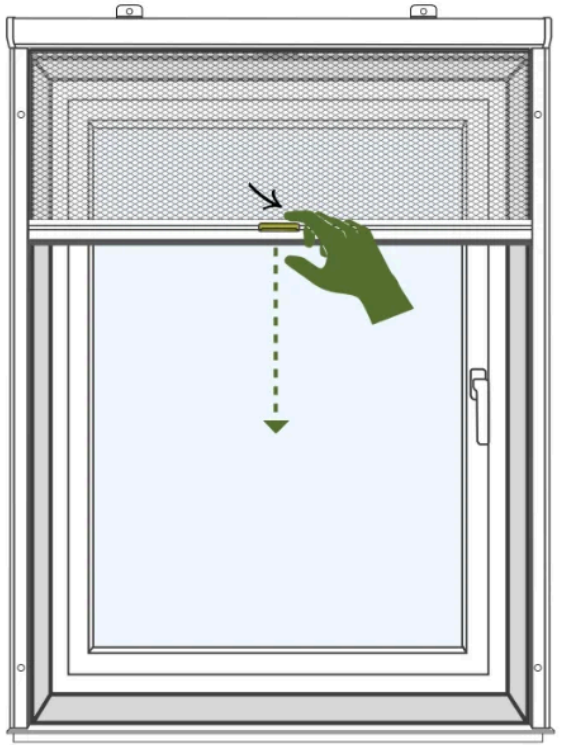
STEP 10 / 13

About 1 min

Test the travel

Using the handle on the sliding bar, gently pull the screen down out of the cassette. It should travel smoothly with no catching or rubbing.

Catches or rubs could mean the side channel is out of square or a screw is protruding and obstructing the sliding bar.



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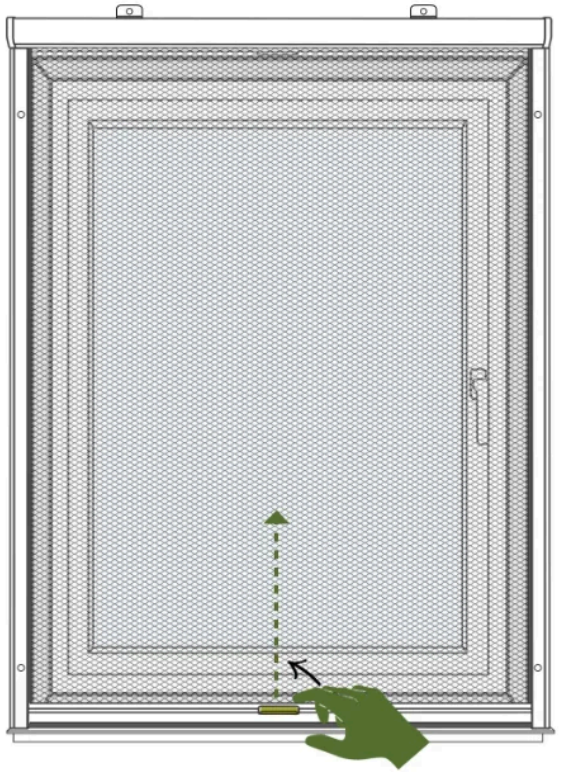
STEP 11 / 13

About 1 min

Closing the screen

Pull the screen all the way down to the sill (or L-profile), then rotate the handle bar — top edge towards you — to latch it under the internal locks in the side channels.

💡 You'll feel a positive click as the bar engages the catches.



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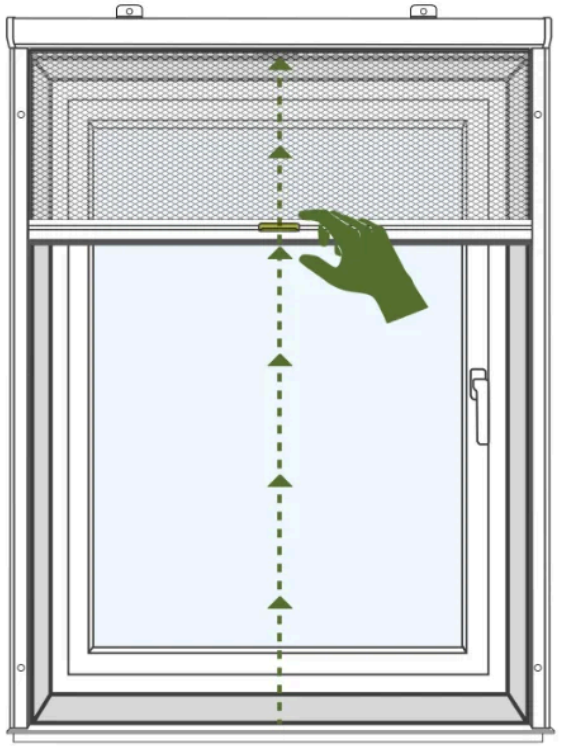
STEP 12 / 13

About 1 min

Releasing the screen

To release, simply rotate the hem bar in the opposite direction — top edge away from you — and it'll come free of the catches.

💡 It's the same motion you used to lock it, just reversed.



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STEP 13 / 13
About 1 min

Let it retract — gently

Hold the handle (or pull-cord) and let the screen rise slowly back into the cassette. The integral brake should slow it to a controlled, gentle return.

💡 Try this several times. If it snaps up too quickly or feels uncontrolled, stop and contact us — the tension of the spring may need adjusting.

Looking after your screen

Roller screens live in the cassette when not in use, so they stay clean. A few easy habits keep yours running smoothly for years.

CASSETTE & CHANNELS

Wipe occasionally

Powder-coated aluminium — a damp cloth and a little soapy water is all they need. Indoors, you'll barely have to bother; outdoors, every few months.

THE MESH

Cleans easily

Extend the screen fully and wipe with a soft cloth and warm soapy water. The PVC-coated fibreglass is weather-proof and forgiving.

ONCE A SEASON

Quick check

Run the screen up and down a few times. Check the side channels are free of leaves, dust or debris — especially on outdoor installs.

If the mesh ever pops out of a side guide

No damage done. Tuck it back in as best you can, let it rewind gently into the cassette, then pull it down again — it'll re-set itself.

YOU'RE DONE

Nicely done. Enjoy bug-free air.

Stuck on something? Email **customer.services@newblinds.co.uk** — same-day reply, Mon–Fri. Our measurement guarantee has you covered too.