2016-2025 Chevrolet Malibu - Cabin Air Filter

2016-2025 Chevrolet Malibu | Easy | 15-25 minutes | $20 DIY

TOOLS

Trim tool or flat screwdriver (optional) Flashlight Gloves Vacuum or rag for debris

PARTS

Cabin air filter $20.00

STEPS

1. **Prepare the Malibu and confirm the filter application - Park level, brake set, ignition** fully off. The cabin filter sits behind the glovebox in the HVAC housing - have a screwdriver handy for the cover, plus a magnetic tray, since the cover bolts are small. Confirm the replacement is cataloge...
2. **Drop the glovebox back cover - Empty the glovebox, then release the tabs holding the back** cover and drop it down. Squeeze the glovebox sides inward past their stops so the box swings down fully. GM’s schedule lists cabin-filter replacement roughly every 22,500 miles und...
3. **Remove the filter cover bolts and old filter - Pull the cover off and slide the old** filter out, noting the airflow arrow direction on its frame first. Vacuum dust from the empty slot. The back-cover tabs release with a firm pull - work them evenly from both sides.
4. **Install the new cabin filter - Slide the new filter in with its arrow matching the** original orientation, seated fully and flat - don’t bend the frame or leave gaps; an unseated filter lets unfiltered air in and can whistle. Refit the filter cover and tighten its bolts...
5. **Reassemble and verify HVAC airflow - Lift the glovebox past its stops and refit the back** cover, tabs fully engaged, then close the box and confirm it latches. Start the Malibu on fresh air and run the fan through its speeds: strong, quiet airflow, no rattling.

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