2005-2007 Ford Freestyle - Wiper Blade Replacement

2005-2007 Ford Freestyle | Easy | 10-15 minutes | $81 DIY

TOOLS

No tools required - both candidate connectors are tool-free Tape measure (essential here: resolve the 13 vs 14-inch rear and confirm fronts) Glass cleaner and a microfiber cloth Small flathead screwdriver (optional, for a corroded locking clip)

PARTS

Driver wiper blade, 24" Bosch 24A $32.99
Passenger wiper blade, 20" Bosch 20B $32.99
Rear wiper blade, 13" $14.99

STEPS

1. **Measure everything - the charts disagree on this car - Look at your existing blades'** connectors before you buy, and match the new blades to what you see - do not buy on length alone.
2. **Identify your connector type before touching anything - Knowing which one you have** determines the entire removal motion, and guessing wrong is how connectors get broken. The rear blade is a small hook type either way.
3. **Remove the front blades to match your connector - Pinch-tab arms: squeeze both tabs** together and slide the blade down off the arm's post. Whichever type you have, the motion is a slide - never a twist or a yank.
4. **Swap the rear blade on the tailgate - Lift the short rear wiper arm off the tailgate** glass. The rear blade is a 13-inch (verify: some charts say 14) hook-type blade - rotate it, press its locking tab, and slide it off the hook.
5. **Fit the new blades and confirm each lock - Slide each new front blade onto its connector** - onto the side pin or up onto the post - until the lock engages with a click, then tug firmly along the arm to prove it. If a blade will not seat, stop and recheck the connector type rathe...
6. **Run the washers front and rear - Lower every arm gently by hand - do not let the springs** slam them. Then twist the stalk end to run the rear washer and wiper.
7. **Replacement interval - Replace all three blades every 6 to 12 months. Given the chart** conflicts on this model, keep a note of your confirmed sizes (24/20/13-or-14) and connector type in the glovebox for next time.

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